

Village of Gowanda
Board Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2022

The Village of Gowanda Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by Mayor Smith at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mayor David Smith, Trustee Paul Zimmermann, Trustee Peter Sisti, Trustee Wanda Koch, Trustee Carol Sheibley

Employees: Clerk Danielle Wagner, Treasurer Traci Hopkins, Water Supervisor Kirk Trumpore
Highway Supervisor Adam Reid, Code Enforcement George Poff, Jason Pickering,
OIC Ben Shields

Public: Jack Broyles, Michael Cooper, Laurie Dils, Jordan Cooper

Agenda & Minutes

Motion 12-120-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the agenda for the December 13, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Motion 12-121-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2022 board meeting. Motion carried.

Public Participation

Jack Broyles-Disappointed no one came to the Water Rate Increase public hearing

Mayor Updates

- Highway Support-Thank you to the Highway crew for the weather work and decorations.
- Christmas in Gowanda took place on 12/3.
- Thatcher Brook Diversion Project update-the Village received the executed PPA.
- Cattaraugus County Support of Thatcher Brook Flood Diversion Project.
- Cattaraugus County Health Board Meeting on 12/7.
- Thatcher Brook Task Force meeting on 12/8-applying for help with stabilization and help with Grannis Brook for short term flood mitigation.
- Merry Christmas and Happy 2023.

Correspondence

- FEMA PW 575 Scope of work change and time extension appeal.
- Cattaraugus County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation plan annual meeting.
- Town of Persia-Persia NY Solar Farm lead agency 30-day objection notice.

Official Business

Mayor/Board of Trustee

Motion 12-122-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to accept the Letter of Resignation of Sandra Hadley office staff effective December 7, 2022. Motion carried with regret.

Motion 12-123-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to appoint Jacqueline MacDonald as account payable clerk to start after January 1, 2023 to replace retiring employee. Motion carried.

Code-George Poff, Jason Pickering

Building Permit-1
Complaints Filed-1
Violations on Patrol-2
Violation Notices Sent-3
Pending Court Cases-15
Court gained compliance-2

Sewer-Liaison Paul Zimmermann

The Village received an Engineering Planning Grant Award of \$40,000.

Clerk-Danielle Wagner

National Fuel is looking for an Easement right away to replace some gas lines along the Municipal Lot Center Street side.

Motion 12-124-Motion by Trustee Sheibley, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the National Fuel Easement to replace the gas line along Center Street Municipal Lot. Motion carried.

Police-OIC Ben Shields

Mayor Smith swore in Jordan Cooper.

Motion 12-125-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to appoint Jordan Cooper as police officer to attend the Academy with a start date pending completion of Academy and training hour requirements. Motion carried.

Fire-Carol Sheibley

Motion 12-126-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve the 2023-2025 Perrysburg Fire Contract. Motion carried.

Joint Activity-Carol Sheibley

Motion 12-127-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve Lindsay Gabel as Roller Skating Attendant for \$25 per night to replace Janelle Williams. Motion carried.

Legal-Deb Chadsey not attendance

Susan Peters donated 47 Hill St to the Village. This property is a bigger parcel the Village will need for the Thatcher Brook Diversion Project. The proposed deed for the transfer has been prepared.

Motion 12-128-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Koch to approve the proposed deed for 47 Hill St. Motion carried.

Treasurer-Traci Hopkins

A scope of work change for GPI for the Point Peter Project is needed.

Motion 12-129-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sisti to approve the updated Engineering Scope of Work change with GPI for the Point Peter Project contingent upon FEMA approvals. Motion carried.

Budget Modification #3 for the General Fund was provided to the board.

Motion 12-130-Motion by Trustee Sisti, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve Budget Modification request #3. Motion carried.

Abstract bills to pay #7 needs approval.

Motion 12-131-Motion by Trustee Koch, seconded by Trustee Sheibley to approve abstract bills to pay for General \$22,378.40, Water \$8,094.43, Sewer \$41,144.22, Capital Projects \$62,176.17, and Community Development Special Projects \$4,500.00. Motion carried.

Next Meeting

Next Board of Trustees meeting will be January 10, 2023 at 6 PM.

Adjournment

Motion 12-132-Motion by Trustee Zimmermann, seconded by Trustee Koch to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Danielle Wagner
Clerk