

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Tuesday, February 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Mayor Edward Snow, Sr. Attorney: David Merzig, not required to attend
Trustees: Eric Ball Clerk: Jody L. Brown
Richard Doig
Nathan Jamieson
Steven Sehen

Mayor Snow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rev. Larry Light from the New Hope Church led the Invocation.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT Zackery Gardner submitted a letter to the Board regarding an idea for his Eagle Scout Project. Zack would like to build 8 to 10 bluebird houses to put in the parks around the Village. Trustee Ball made a motion to authorize Zackery Gardner to place bluebird houses in the Village parks and coordinate the placement with DPW Superintendent, Butch Smith. Trustee Doig seconded. Carried unanimously.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$34,732.24 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$7,894.42 was presented to the Board.
The Sewer Fund Abstract in the sum of \$223,029.82 was presented to the Board.
The DPW Garage Fund Abstract in the sum of \$169,396.18 was presented to the Board.
The Water Capital Fund Abstract in the sum of \$675.00 was presented to the Board.
The Well Project Fund Abstract in the sum of \$1,253.78 was presented to the Board.
After review, Trustee Nate Jamieson made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Trustee Doig seconded. Carried unanimously.

CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL Shane Boice, Cedarwood Environmental, submitted a report to the Board for February 2023. The WWTP was over the turbidity limit again by 6,635 minutes.

SLUDGE TANK BLOWER Shane Boice requested the purchase of an electric motor. After review, Trustee Doig made a motion to authorize the purchase of a sludge holding tank blower from Taggart Electric at a cost of \$3,924.00 from budget lines G8130.200 80 % Village and G8130210 20% NYC DEP. Trustee Ball seconded. Carried unanimously.

FILTER SAND - CBUD Shane Boice requested sand for the second stage filter. After review, Trustee Jamieson made a motion to purchase 20 tons of filter sand from US Silica at a cost of \$5,752.80 from budget line G8130.515 100% NYC DEP. Trustee Ball seconded. Carried unanimously.

BULK TANKS Shane Boice requested two bulk storage tanks. This is a replacement of the failed tank and will require extra piping, etc. After discussion, Trustee Jamieson made a motion to purchase two 750 gallon bulk storage tanks for sodium hypochlorite from Process Control at a cost of \$5,650.80 from budget line G8130.210 100% NYC DEP. Trustee Doig seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS Butch Smith, Superintendent Dept. of Public Works, submitted a report to the Board for January 2023. The new truck is finally ready from the Vendor. This was ordered in 2021.

CODE ENFORCEMENT Josh Morgan, Code Enforcement Official, submitted a report to the Board for January 2023. The annual reports for CRS and code enforcement have been submitted.

ANNUAL CODE TRAINING Josh Morgan requested attending training. Trustee Ball made a motion to authorize Josh to attend annual code enforcement training to receive all continuing education credits in Syracuse on April 11 – 13th at a cost of \$460.00. Trustee Jamieson seconded. Carried unanimously.

FLOOD TRAINING Josh Morgan requested attending flood training. Trustee Jamieson authorize Josh to attend Annual Floodplain Stormwater training in Syracuse on April 18th - 20th. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

DELAWARE ENGINEERING Bill Brown, Delaware Engineering, submitted a report to the Board for January 2023.

I&I REPORT COMPLETE The report from the I&I study is complete. Leakage was found in the clay tile pipes under the greenspace and prior inspections showed leaking laterals throughout the system. The Board will need to discuss further and provide direction on scope of project so funding can be sought.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Joseph D’Addezio, Chief of Police, submitted a report to the Board for January 2023.

ATTORNEY GENERAL INVESTIGATION Chief D’Addezio updated the Board that the Attorney General’s investigation into the October 2021 incident. The use of force was found to be justified.

EVIDENCE TRAINING The Chief requested permission to send Officer Mitchell to training. Trustee Jamieson made a motion to authorize Officer Mitchell to attend evidence training on March 29th and 30th. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

ELECTION INSPECTORS The Clerk recommended appointing Maxine Locherer and Marjorie Rutherford as Election Inspectors. Trustee Sehen made a motion to appoint Maxine Locherer and Marjorie Rutherford as election inspectors for the March 21, 2023 Village election at \$15.00 per hour. Trustee Doig seconded. Carried unanimously.

EXCEED TAX CAP Trustee Ball made a motion to hold a public hearing on March 6, 2023 to hear public opinion on Local Law 2023-2, a local law to override the tax levy limit. Trustee Sehen seconded. Carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Trustee Jameison made a motion to open Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. to discuss Police Personnel. Trustee Doig seconded. Carried unanimously.
Trustee Doig made a motion to close Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. Trustee Ball seconded. Carried unanimously.

BUDGET WORKSHOP The Board set a date for the first budget workshop for Wednesday, February 15th at 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURN Mayor Snow adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody L. Brown, Clerk-Treasurer