

The regular meeting of the Walton Village Board was held on Monday, January 6, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street, Walton.

Present: Mayor Edward Snow, Sr. Attorney: David Merzig
Trustees: Eric Ball Clerk: Jody L. Brown
Stephen Condon
Eric Northrup
Beth O'Brien

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

PUBLIC INPUT Katherine Bridges, 88 Griswold St. asked about the pending Noise Ordinance. Mayor Snow stated that it has been amended and pending input from the attorney.

ABSTRACTS: The audit committee reviewed the abstracts and recommended approval as follows:
The General Fund Abstract in the sum of \$83,925.29 was presented to the Board.
The Water Fund Abstract in the sum of \$7,166.23 was presented to the Board.
The Sewer Fund Abstract in the sum of \$223,534.97 was presented to the Board.
The Water Project Fund Abstract in the sum of \$73,901.56 was presented to the Board.
The Well Capital Project Fund Abstract in the sum of \$0.00 was presented to the Board.
The Clarifier Project Fund Abstract in the sum of \$9,491.42 was presented to the Board.
After review, Trustee Ball made a motion to approve the abstracts as submitted. Trustee Northrup seconded. Carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Tahir Haqq, Chief of Police, submitted a written report to the Board for December 2024.

POLICE VEHICLE Chief Haqq stated that the new vehicle has been delivered and recommended paying the invoice. Trustee O'Brien made a motion to authorize the payment of the vehicle invoice to Van Bortel Ford for \$45,634.28. Trustee Ball seconded. Carried unanimously.

DELAWARE ENGINEERING Bill Brown, Delaware Engineering, submitted a report to the Board for December 2024.

CEDARWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL Shane Boice, Cedarwood Environmental, submitted a report to the Board for December 2024.

CODE ENFORCEMENT Zach Haverly, Code Enforcement Official, submitted a report to the Board for December 2024.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS Butch Smith, Superintendent D.P.W. submitted a report to the Board for December 2024.

TRUSTEE REPORTS Trustee O'Brien is looking for volunteers to set up the skating rink. Trustee O'Brien asked why Fred Babcock was being charged for the wipes to be removed from the pump station. DPW Superintendent, Butch Smith stated that it is because the wipes are coming from Mr. Babcock's building as no one else is attached to this station.

Trustee Ball commented that a Committee Emergency Response plan should be complete by the end of January.

VILLAGE ELECTION The Board needs to designate the polling place and hours for the election. Trustee Ball made a motion to hold the Village Election at the Village Hall, 21 North St. on March 18, 2025 from noon to 9:00 p.m. Trustee O'Brien seconded. Carried unanimously.

PLANNING AGREEMENT The annual planning agreement was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee Ball made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the 2025 Delaware County Planning agreement. Trustee Northrup seconded. Carried unanimously.

CLARIFIER FINANCING AGREEMENT The financing resolution was submitted to the Board. After review, Trustee Northrup made a motion to pass the financing resolution as read by Mayor Snow for the Clarifier Project for the financing of the Clarifier Project for the W.W.T.P. through the Catskill Watershed Corp. Trustee Ball seconded. Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN Mayor Snow adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.

NEXT MEETING The next regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, February 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, 21 North Street.

Jody L. Brown, Clerk-Treasurer

RESOLVED, that the Village Treasurer is hereby authorized, in her discretion, to execute a project financing agreement or agreements and any other agreements with the Catskill Watershed Corporation, and any amendments thereto, and to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to provide for the financing or refinancing of a portion of the cost of the removal of two existing clarifiers and the full installation of two new clarifiers at the Village's wastewater treatment plant, as described in the bond resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees on September 25, 2024.