Approved August 10. 2026

ORGANIZATIONAL & MONTHLY MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026

The Organizational and Regular Monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was duly held on the July 13, 2026.

Board Members Present: Mayor Randy House, Deputy Mayor Millard Murphy, Trustees Mike Hart, Matthew Stevens and Robin Hansen

Village Officials/Staff in Attendance: Clerk/Treasurer Michele Cusyck, Deputy Clerk Krista Ruzekowicz, Police Chief Kevin Birardi, Codes Officer Ed Cusato

Public Attendance: Village Residents Judy Geis, Randy Wilkinson, Tom Reinefierd; Central Square Library Board President Joann Burghart, Tug Hill Circuit Rider Heidi Tompkins

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor House called the organizational meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and newly elected Trustee Robin Hansen led all in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Mayor House swore in newly elected Trustees Millard Murphy and Robin Hansen. He then read the following 2026-2027 annual appointments which were approved by a 4-1 vote upon motion by Deputy Mayor Murphy, seconded by Trustee Michael Hart: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-no, Trustee Hansen- yes. Trustee Stevens voted no because he was looking for more discussion on the appointments

Deputy Mayor	Mudd Murphy
Budget Director	Randy House
Official Newspaper	Post Standard
Official Meetings	2nd Monday 7:00 p.m.
Depositories	Pathfinder & NY Class

Department Commissioners

Police	Randy House
Parks & Cemetery	Millard “Mudd” Murphy
Streets & Wastewater	Mike Hart
Youth & Recreation	Robin Hansen
Community Development	Matthew Stevens

Boards

Planning Board	Vacant
Planning Board	Maggie Kirkby
Zoning Board/Appeals	Vacant
Zoning Board/Appeals	Carlos Hunter
Zoning Board/Appeals	Michael Plantz

Streets/Transportation

DPW Superintendent	Vacant

Employee Drug & Alcohol Testing	Advanced Drug & Alcohol Testing

Court/Public Safety

Associate Justice	Allison Pardee
Police Chief	Kevin Birardi

Code Enforcement

Building, Fire & Safety Inspector	Ed Cusato William Hamacher

Attorney/Engineers

Village Attorney	Joe Frateschi
Village Engineers	Barton & Loguidice Paul Sheneman

Culture & Recreation

Recreation Director	Rebekah McGraw
Village Historian	Heather Stevens
Registrar of Vital Statistics	Erin Goodrich, Town Clerk

Public Relations Liaison	Mudd Murphy

Hillside Memorial	Millard Murphy	Andrew Traub
Cemetery Advisory	Linda Murphy	Marion Yerdon
Committee	Penny Faulter	Heather Stevens

Mayor House read the following annual resolutions for adoption:

RESOLUTION #12

Pursuant to Village Law 4-412 (3) (2) the Board of Trustees designates Pathfinder Bank and NY CLASS as the depository institutions for all monies received by the Village Clerk-Treasurer, and receiver of taxes. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Murphy for resolution #12 as read, seconded by Trustee Stevens and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #13

Pursuant to Village Law 5-524 (6) that the Board of Trustees authorized payment in advance of audit claims for the public utility services, postage, freight, and express charges. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Murphy for resolution #13 as read, seconded by Trustee Hart and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #14

Pursuant to General Municipal Law 77-b Officers, elected officials and employees are hereby authorized to attend the meetings and schools necessary for the performance of their jobs. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Murphy for resolution #14 as read, seconded by Trustee Hart and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #15

A Special Meeting may be called by the Mayor alone or by at least two Trustees acting together to cover a specific action or related action. The members of the Board of Trustees receive notice of the meeting by a phone call from the Village Clerk to be followed up by an email plus posting of the meeting by posting it at the Village Office. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Murphy for resolution #15 as read, seconded by Trustee Stevens and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes . The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION #16

Pursuant to General Municipal Law 104-b which requires Village Boards to adopt internal policies and procedures governing all procurement of goods and services not subject to bidding requirements of GML Section 103 or of any other general, special or local law and pursuant to Section 806 (1) , goods and service must be procured in a manner so as to assure the prudent and economical use of public moneys in the best interests of the taxpayers of the political subdivision, to facilitate the acquisition of goods and services of maximum quality at the lowest possible cost under the circumstances, and to guard against favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud and corruption. A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Murphy for Resolution #16 as read, seconded by Trustee Stevens and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes**.** The motion was carried unanimously.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

Mayor House had no business to report.

Deputy Mayor Murphy announced the Oswego County Conference of Mayors will be held on Thursday, July 23rd at Fairway and Dreams Golf Course, 5818 State Route 3, Pulaski. Meet and greet is AT 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:00 p.m. Speakers will be President of SUNY Oswego Peter Nwosu and Deputy to the President Dr. Murat Yasar. President Nwosu will speak on what he has envisioned as the future role of SUNY Oswego County University in a plan he calls "VISION 4040". Also, CITI BOCES Superintendent Jeremy Belfield will talk about the new challenges BOCES is facing with the up-and-coming presence of MICRON.

Mudd mentioned the speed bumps for Hillside Cemetery have been ordered and should arrive this week, along with two school speed zone signs for Hillcrest Drive and Tucker Avenue. The Board is waiting on the resolution from Village Attorney Frateschi to schedule a public hearing to add Hillcrest and Tucker into the school speed zone area.

Mudd also mentioned bids were opened for the municipal building repairs on June 15th and Village Engineer Paul Sheneman is waiting on bonding and insurances from the general, electrical and plumbing contractors.

Trustee Hart reported work is going good at the DPW, he will get the model and serial numbers needed to purchase a replacement pump for Northland, electrical work was done at Dry Bridge and we need to move forward for Jami Koph to fabricate and install a flagpole at the Park at the end of Pleasant Avenue, which he is donating. Thank you, Jami!

Trustee Stevens asked Deputy Mayor Murphy for an update on school speed zone sign installation on County Route 12, which should be done within the next few weeks. Signs must be placed at or near as practical to the point where the reduced school speed limit zone begins.

Stevens suggested a tour of village facilities for new Board Members would be a valuable opportunity to familiarize themselves with the physical infrastructure, services and operations of the village as well as building relationships with staff and departments.

Stevens was also happy to share that the Central Square Medical Center has received a $225,000 grant from Saint Agatha Foundation to purchase a 3D mammography unit.

Trustee Hansen said she is honored to be a new member of the Village Board and will do her best to serve the community.

Police Chief Kevin Birard reported 61 calls for service for the July 1-12 two week period, 10 traffic tickets issued, and 4 misdemeanor arrests. He met with Senator Chris Ryan about grant funding and submitted a LETECH grant application for radios, body worn cameras, computer infrastructure upgrades and automatic defibrillators for patrol cars and police station.

Tom Reinefierd asked Chief Birardi about the recent fatal accident on Gerturde Drive, but was uvable to share information at this time as it was investigated by the Oswego County Sheriff Department

Codes Enforcement Officer Ed Cusato reported first or five homes to be built soon on Carly Court, violation sent to property on East Ave for high grass, new Dermatologist going into old dental office building, planning on presenting a new fee schedule for Board approval at next month's meeting, upcoming Planning

Board meeting on August 13th will hold public hearing for 722-728 North Main Street Site Plan Review Application for four duplex residential buildings, have 2 vacancies on ZBA and 1 on Planning Board and will ask Village Attorney Frateschi to attend August's Planning Board meeting to discuss combining the two Boards.

Village Clerk/Treasurer Michele Cusyck had nothing to report.

Heidi Tompkins gave an overview of the July Tug Hill Monthly Bulletin noting that the next NorCOG Summer Meeting is scheduled for July 30th at the Village Municipal Building but will be moved to the Central Square Fire House to accommodate more attendees.

Citizens' Concerns

Andy Smolnik questioned CEO Cusato about his complaints he has filed with the Village, specifically mentioning Fast Eddie's Towing who is still parking trucks in the front yard on Central Drive and high grass on Ruth Road and Dry Bridge.

Chief Birardi offered to take pictures of the trucks on Central Drive and Cusato will issue appearance ticket if in violation of the Village Code. Cusato has sent notices to properties with high grass who must be given be given a reasonable time to correct the violation, at least 10 days.

Randy Wilkinson likes Trustee Stevens's idea about meetings being recorded and posted on the village website and offered to donate equipment if needed. He also mentioned his interest in being on the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals.

Joann Burghart thanked the Village Board for all that they do. She asked for help in spreading the word for more members for the Library Board. Their Charter sets the number of members from 5-15, and they currently only have 5.

Burghart gave an update on the grant they received to purchase an adjacent property saying the seller is not ready to close. She added the Board is in the process of hiring a new Director.

Old Business

No old business to discuss.

New Business

General & Sewer Fund Budget Transfers – General & Sewer Fund Budget Transfers for April 2026 were approved as follows upon motion made by Deputy Mayor Murphy, seconded by Trustee Hart and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

General Fund Transfers

From:	**A1110.440**	**Court Dues & Fees**	**56.80**
To:	**A1110.450**	**Court Phone**	**56.80**
From:	**A1325.470**	**Computer Service**	**2,748.37**
To:	**A1320.400**	**Auditor**	**462.35**
To:	**A1325.100**	**Clerk/Treasurer**	**1,912.65**
To:	**A1325.400**	**Clerk Supplies**	**316.59**
To:	**A1325.450**	**Clerk Phone**	**56.78**
From::	**A1490..420**	**DPW Training**	**856.86**
To:	**A1490.40.**	**DPW Gas & Oil**	**37.95**
To:	**A1492.450**	**DPW Telephone**	**818.91**
From:	**A1620.401**	**Building Maintenance**	**28.60**
To:	**A1620.402**	**Building Repairs**	**28.60**
From:	**A3120.200**	**Police Equipment**	**760.74**
To:	**A3120.406**	**Police Training**	**290.30**
TO:	**A3120.404**	**Police Uniforms**	**375.95**
To:	**A3120.450**	**Police Phone**	**94.49**
From:	**A5110.401**	**Highway**	**251.66**
To:	**A5182.451**	**Street Lighting**	**251.66**
From:	**A8810.403**	**Cemetery Repairs**	**162.96**
To:	**A8810.400**	**Cemetery Expenses**	**162.96**

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- **From: A9060.800 Employees Medical 857.82**
- **To: A8020.400 Planning Board Expenses 30.00**
- **To: A9050.800 Unemployment 716.90**
- **To: A9055.800 Disability 110.92**

GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT

- Debit A9901.9 Interfund Transfers 110.00
- Credit A599 Appropriated Fund Balance 110.00

Sewer Fund Budget Transfer

- **From: G8110.402 Contractual Supplies 461.25**
- **To: G8110.421 Auditor 461.25**
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- **From: G8120.100 DPW Personnel 26,362.16**
- **To: G8130.401 WWTP Maintenance 26,362.16**

- **OCWA Lease Agreement** – Action on the Agreement was tabled until reviewed by Attorney Frateschi upon motion made by Deputy Mayor Murphy, seconded by Trustee Stevens and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Goettel Park – Request for Park Use Fee Waivers** - Deputy Mayor Murphy made a motion to waive the fees for the First Baptist Church Service & Community Picnic on August 23rd and the Cub Scouts popcorn kick off on August 3rd and Recruitment on August 24th seconded by Trustee Stevens and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes and Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously

Monthly Business

Previous Minutes -The Minutes of the regular meeting on June 29, 2026, were approved upon motion duly made by Deputy Mayor Murphy seconded by Robin Hansen and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee

Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously**.**

Payment of Vouchers – June Abstract #3 - **$47,322.04 -** General Fund Vouchers totaling $33,533.76 and Sewer Fund Vouchers totaling $13,788.28 were approved for payment upon motion made by Trustee Hart, seconded by Trustee Stevens and voted upon: Mayor House-yes, Deputy Mayor Murphy-yes, Trustee Hart-yes, Trustee Stevens-yes, Trustee Hansen-yes. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session
There was no need for an Executive Session.

Adjournment
At 8:17 p.m. upon motion duly made by Trustee Hart and seconded by Trustee Stevens. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Cusyck
Village Clerk/Treasurer