# **AGENDA, May 1, 2024 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Harter will call the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mayor Harter, Trustee Fuller, Trustee Werner, Trustee Olejniczak

Board Members Absent: Trustee Roach

Also, Present: Clerk Wierzbicki, Treasurer Geller, Attorney Cassidy, Engineer Hoffman

Approximate Number in Audience: **5**

**II. MINUTES**

Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Olejniczak to approve the minutes of the April 3rd, 2024 meeting.

##### **VOTE: YES 3 NO 0**

##### **1 Abstain(Werner) 1 Absent(Roach)**

Motion made by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Fuller to approve the minutes of the General Meeting, April 10th Budget Public Hearing

##### **VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 Absent(Roach)**

##### **III. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

Motion made by Trustee Olejniczak seconded by Trustee Fuller to accept the Treasurer’s report as submitted.

VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 Absent

**2. Payment of Vouchers**

Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Werner to approve payment of the vouchers as audited.

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 Absent**

1. **Transfers**

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| **General Fund Expenditures** |  |  |
| **Account Description** | **From** | **To** |
|  |  |  |
| General Fund Contingency | 2,000.00 |  |
| Board of Trustees Travel and Conference |  | 2,000.00 |
| (NYCOM 5/15-5/17 ) |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Municipal Association Dues | 1,200.00 |  |
| Office Building Maintenance |  | 1,200.00 |
| (Railing and Lights) |  |  |
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| Garage Maintenance | 200.00 |  |
| Garage Telephone and Internet |  | 200.00 |
| (Verizon, Momemtum, Alteva) |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Police Uniforms | 250.00 |  |
| Police Telephone and Internet |  | 250.00 |
| (Verizon, Momemtum, Alteva, Optimum) |  |  |
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| Snow Removal Salaries | 6,000.00 |  |
| Building Inspector Contract Services |  | 6,000.00 |
| (From part time to full time position) |  |  |
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| Chip Project Expenditures | 100.00 |  |
| Highway Department Training |  | 100.00 |
| (Bucket truck training) |  |  |
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| **Water Fund Expenditures** |  |  |
| **Account Description** | **From** | **To** |
| Distribution Equipment | 3,500.00 |  |
| Distribution Maintenance and Repairs |  | 3,500.00 |
| (TAM - Beazer pump station, Power Generator Service) |  |  |
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| **Sewer Fund Expenditures** |  |  |
| **Account Description** | **From** | **To** |
|  |  |  |
| NONE |  |  |
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**Motion to approve transfers as presented by Trustee Olejniczak seconded by Trustee Fuller**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Orange County Tourism provided an application to accept $4999.00 Tourism Grant.**
2. **Lee Maas, Financial Secretary for the First Presbyterian Church sent a letter regarding potential land sale.**
3. **Altice sent a programming change.**
4. **Orange County Youth Bureau sent the 2024 fully executed contract.**
5. **Village of Florida Police sent a request to surplus 2012 Chevy Tahoe.**
6. **Orange and Rockland sent a notification regarding excavator certification.**
7. **Crown Castle sent a proposal for the cell tower for review.**
8. **Comp Alliance sent a safe workplace reward in the amount of $5,685.00.**
9. **The Florida Chamber of Commerce submitted a request for the Farmers Market.**
10. **The Warwick Valley Gardeners sent an invitation to Arbor Day 2024 on April 26, 2024.**
11. **A fully executed contract was received from Kimley Horn Engineering.**
12. **Orange County Department of Real Property Tax sent a cost for printing increase.**
13. **Comp Alliance submitted 2024-2025 Workers Compensation Funding contribution for review.**
14. **Jamestown Community College sent schedule for Summer/ Fall 2024 Water and Wastewater Operations classes.**
15. **Aaron Ubides of Farries Ave submitted letters of interest for the Alternate Member position for the Zoning and Planning Board.**
16. **Orange County Department of Health sent a violation notice for the period of 4/1/24-6/30/24.**
17. **Nigeria Forde of Robert Drive submitted a letter of interest for the Alternate Planning Board position.**
18. **Diana Puglisi of Highland Ave sent an email expressing interest in the alternate position in either Planning or Zoning Board.**
19. **Orange County Department of Human Resources sent an approval letter**

**V. REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES**

1**.** Thomas Fuller – Police, Justice, Emergency Management, Senior Affairs

2. Craig Olejniczak – Recreation, Animal Control, Buildings/Grounds, DPW

3. Alyssa Werner – Sewer/ Water, Chamber of Commerce, Glenmere Watershed

4. Matthew Roach – Building & Planning, Historical, Parks

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

This opportunity is provided for members of the audience to comment on **any item listed** on the agenda. Please address the Board and limit your comments to five minutes.

There were no public comments

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **2024-2025 Tax Warrant**

Motion made by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Olejniczakto relevy $80,481.87 in sewer rents including penalties, and $107,667.48 in water rents, including penalty, and to issue the following tax warrant to the tax collector:

You are hereby commanded to receive and collect from the several persons named in the tax roll hereunto annexed, the several sums stated opposite their respective names, being a total of

for the following purposes:

Current Budget $1,645,000.00

Re-levied Sewer Rents $ 81,262.03 80,481.87



Re-levied Water $109,262.30 107,667.48

Prorated or Ag Tax Levy $149.48

**Total: $ 1,835,673.81 $1,833,298.33**



You are further commanded to receive and collect such sums without additional charge between the first day of June 2024 and the first day of July 2024 at the Village Clerk’s Office, 33 S. Main St, Florida, NY between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays. Thereafter, an additional charge of five percent for the first month or fraction thereof and one percent for each month or fraction thereof until paid.

You are further commanded to file the tax roll in your office on or before the first day of November 2024 and to deliver to the Board of Trustees at the same time an account of the taxes remaining due and unpaid, and showing the person or persons to whom the parcel is assessed and showing as to each parcel the amount of tax unpaid.

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 Absent 1**

1. **NYS Municipal Workers’ Compensation Alliance**

Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Olejniczak to approve Mayor Harter to sign the renewal contract for policy period June 1,2024 - May 31 2025 in the amount of $54,577.00, a decrease OF $1248.00 from previous year.

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Orange County Tourism Grant**

**Motion by Trustee Fuller second by Trustee Olejniczak to accept $4999.00 from Orange County and sign provided agreement.**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Fee Waiver Chamber of Commerce**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Olejniczak to approve the waiving of the fees for permit for the Farmers Market**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Fee Waiver Veterans at Glenmere Park**

**Motion made by Trustee Olejniczak seconded by Trustee Werner to approve the waiving of the fees for Veterans at Glenmere Park. Military ID required.**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Street Closure William Henry Seward Day**

**Motion by Trustee Fuller second by Trustee Olejniczak to approve the closure of Main Street on May 18, 2024(raindate 5/19) between the hours of 10:00 am-11:00 am**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Street Closure Memorial Day 5/27/24**

**Motion by Trustee Olejniczak second by Trustee Werner to approve the closure of Main Street on May 27, 2024 between the hours of 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Surplus Police Vehicle**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Olejniczak to surplus vehicle not in use.**

**2012 Chevrolet Tahoe**

**Vin 1GNSK2E09CR241442**

**Mileage 97,946**

**All emergency equipment will be removed.**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Water bill adjustment Acct 5864**

**Motion to adjust bill to remove all water charges and penalties, water has been disconnected since 2021. Owner to pay $100.00 reconnect fee added to bill. Sewer charges remain. Total adjustment -660.00.**

**Motion by Trustee Fuller second by Trustee Werner**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Community Housing Resolution**

WHEREAS, the Village of Florida (hereinafter “local government”) believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State’s economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law, but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Village of Florida, in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.

3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.

4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.

5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

Motion by Trustee Fuller

Second by Trustee Olejniczak

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**

1. **Meeting Schedule**

May 22nd, 2024 9:30 AM End of Year-meeting and work session

June 5th,2024 9:30 AM Work Session/7:30PM General Meeting

June 12th , 2024 Village Holiday need new date for work session(6/19 holiday)

July 3rd, 2024 9:30 AM Work Session/7:30PM General Meeting

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Patricia Rotella reminds residents of the Golden Hill is having a plant sale this week.**

**Greg Kimiecik if you get the grant to beautify the Village can we plant some trees?**

**Mayor Harter what kind of trees do you have in mind.**

**GK I drove the Village of Warwick and they have a lot of those lower trees**

**There was a brief discussion regarding replacing the trees and lamp posts**

**GK the Mapes house, is that going forward**

**Mayor Harter we are working on it.**

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to adjourn at 8:15 PM by Trustee Fuller second by Trustee Werner**

**VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 1 absent**