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JAMIE L. BLOT
VILLAGE CLERK

MINUTES MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025 10:00 A.M.

The meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 2 Thunder Road, Albany, NY 12205. Mayor Rubino opened the meeting at 10:06 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:	Mayor Rubino	Present
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Present
	Trustee Prevratil	Present
	Trustee DePaulo	Excused
	Trustee Stevens	Present
	Clerk Blot	Present

Minutes of the public hearing for Resolution 2024-110 held on January 6, 2025, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to approve the minutes, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Minutes of the regularly scheduled board meeting held on January 6, 2025, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to approve the minutes, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-112 “Authorize to expend funds out of the capital reserve village hall fund for various updates”. Amount not to exceed \$35,000.00.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Lockart to approve Resolution 2024-112, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-114 “Declare 2007 International dump truck as surplus”.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Lockart to approve Resolution 2024-114, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-115 “Authorize to expend funds out of the park mitigation fund for bathroom renovations in Cook Park”. Amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to approve Resolution 2024-115, as presented.

Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockart.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-116 “Authorize to return bank interest to general fund”.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to approve Resolution 2024-116, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for a public hearing for Resolution 2024-117 “Authorize to expend funds out of the capital reserve DPW equipment fund, water equipment fund and sewer equipment fund” to be held on Monday, February 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., amount not to exceed \$212,000.00, for the purchase of a loader.

Mayor Rubino explained that they are switching the garbage truck in the 5-year plan with the loader (year 3 and year 1). He added the current loader needed a repair and with the

age of the machine, and the amount it was going to take to fix it, we didn't want to invest money into such a dated machine.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Lockart to authorize the Clerk to advertise, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-113 "Appointment of election inspectors March 18, 2025, election".

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Lockart to approve Resolution 2024-113, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot introduced Resolution 2024-118 "Adoption of Village of Colonie Fee Schedule", which will be voted on at the February 3, 2025, meeting. Mayor Rubino explained that the change to the fee schedule is for the water rate. The Town of Colonie has raised our water rate by .25 cents per 1,000 gallons and they have also increased the debt service by \$50,000, which equates to another .25 cents, so we are proposing to raise the water rate .50 cents to absorb this increase. Clerk Blot added that while we are proposing to raise the water rate by .50 cents, we are also proposing the lower the minimum gallon usage to 20,000 gallons, as opposed to the current 22,000 gallons, which will lower the minimum bill to \$117.40 (currently \$118.14) for residential billings and \$160.00 (currently \$165.00) for commercial billings.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for Local Law #1 of 2025 "Changes to the Village of Colonie Water Code" changes to specify maintenance, checks and routine calibrations on water meters larger than 1", to be held on Monday, February 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. Clerk Blot explained that the Village of Menands already adopted this to ensure their commercial properties were maintaining their water meters since the property owners own meters over 1", and this ensures accuracy with usage and proper billing, and we would like to implement the same standards.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to authorize the Clerk to advertise, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes

Mayor Rubino

Yes

Motion passed.

Chief Kayser explained the mutual aid breakdown from the last meeting presentation. He stated of the 505 calls for the 2024 year, 266 of them were for mutual aid. He gave a detailed breakdown of each department that received mutual aid.

Trustee Stevens asked for a status update on the alarm calls at Wendy's, 1770 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205; to which, the Chief said that the problem has been solved. He added that he, along with our code enforcement department went and addressed the concern with the detector, and it has been since moved, and they have not had any calls there since.

Mayor Rubino informed the Board that he appointed Mr. Frank Blake to be a member of the Traffic Advisory Committee effective immediately.

Mayor Rubino thanked everyone for all they do, especially the department of public works, with the recent weather conditions and for also maintaining the skating rink.

Reports Submitted:

Senior center lunch report 1/6/2025 to 1/10/2025

Senior center lunch report 1/13/2025 to 1/17/2025

Senior center expenditure vs. revenue report 12/30/2024-1/10/2025

Abstract #16

General: \$83,198.27

Water: \$4,865.27

Sewer: \$2,945.77

Total: \$91,009.31

Mayor Rubino requested a motion to adjourn.

Trustee Prevratil made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Lockart.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jamie L. Blot
Village Clerk