# **October 4, 2023 GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD**

# **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 Olejniczak, Trustee Werner, Trustee Roach

Board Members Absent: none

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

Approximate Number in Audience:**7**

1. **MINUTES**

Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Olejniczak to approve the minutes of the September 6th, 2023 General Meeting

##### **VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

Motion made by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Roach to approve the minutes of the September 20th, 2023 Special Meeting

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

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

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

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

VOTE: YES 5 NO 0

**2. Payment of Vouchers**

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

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

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| **Transfers**  **General Fund Expenditures**  **Account Description From To**  **Judicial Equipment and Supplies 500.00**  **Judicial Contract Services 500.00**  **(Translator Services )**    **Youth Recreation Salaries 1,200.00**  **Parks Salaries - Other 1,200.00**  **(Temp parks attendants)**      **Water Fund Expenditures**  **Account Description From To**    **NONE**      **Sewer Fund Expenditures**  **Account Description From To**    **NONE** |  |  |
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| Motion made by Trustee Olejniczak seconded by Trustee Fuller to approve transfers as presented  **VOTE: YES 5 NO 0** |  |  |
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| **Mayor Harter stated that NYSDOT will be conducting an informational meeting at Village Hall at 10/19/23 at 6:00 pm.**  **Mayor Harter discussed the water quality and the letter received from the Engineer regarding the quality of our drinking water.** |  |  |
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**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Greenspot sent a 2023 Q2 Income Sharing Report for EV chargers.**
2. **Orange County Department of Health sent a letter regarding Consecutive Water System Change.**
3. **NYSDOT sent a letter regarding Route 94 project.**
4. **Florida Public Library sent an invitation to their 65th anniversary.**
5. **NYSDOT sent a notification regarding Route 94/17A improvement project.**
6. **Pitingaro & Doetsch sent a letter regarding a SPDES permit application.**
7. **Slack Chemical sent a price decrease notice.**
8. **Altice USA sent a programming change notice.**
9. **A contract for legal counsel for the Zoning Board of Appeals for an alternate attorney was received from Havens Law Firm.**
10. **Orange County Mobile DMV will be at Cohen Circle October 10, 2023 from 10am-12 and 1-3pm.**
11. **Steven Gass, DPW Laborer submitted his letter of resignation effective October 13, 2023.**
12. **Partners in Safety submitted 2024 Drug and Alcohol Testing Consortium renewal for approval.**
13. **Town of Warwick submitted the Tentative 2024 budget for review.**
14. **Village of Florida Police Department received a Public Safety Grant to be used to purchase Live Scan Fingerprinting equipment.**

**VII. REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES**

**There was a brief discussion regarding updates and reports for each individual department**

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

**2. Craig Olejniczak – Recreation & Parks, Animal Control, Buildings/Grounds**

**3. Alyssa Werner – DPW, Sewer/ Water, Chamber of Commerce**

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

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

**Mayor Harter** -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***

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **Greenwood Lake/ Village of Florida IMA Garbage Truck**

**Motion to approve agreement as presented between the Village of Greenwood Lake and the Village of Florida DPW beginning December 1, 2023 motion by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Olejniczak**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Agreement for Legal Services Zoning Board of Appeals**

**Motion to approve Mayor Harter to sign agreement with Havens Law Firm for $250.00/hour for an alternative Attorney to ZBA our current ZBA Attorney is Bob Krahulik and he had a conflict of interest.**

**Motion by Trustee Roach second by Trustee Fuller**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Warwick Snow and Ice**

**Motion made by Trustee Werner seconded by Trustee Olejniczak to approve the agreement with the Town of Warwick for snow and ice removal on Glenmere Ave in the amount of $4000.00 for the 2023-2024 season .**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

**3. Halloween Weekend Curfew**

**Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Werner to approve the enforcement of a curfew of 8:00 pm from the dates of 10/27-10/31/23.**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Laborer**

**Motion to approve the hiring of Sean Costa as full-time Laborer DPW with Civil Service approval at the rate of $18.25/hour beginning October 9, 2023.**

**Motion by Trustee Werner second by Trustee Olejniczak**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Partners in Safety**

**Motion to authorize Mayor Harter to renew 2024 contract for one year for Drug and Alcohol Testing with Partners in Safety.**

**Motion by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Village Police Fingerprinting equipment (grant reimbursable)**

**Motion to approve the purchasing of Live Scan Fingerprinting equipment apparatus in the amount of $24,398.50 per NYSOGS(Office of General Services) bid from Indemia.**

**Motion by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach**

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

1. **Meeting Schedule**

October 18, 2023 9:30 AM Work Session

November 1, 2023 9:30 AM Work Session 7:30 Meeting

November 15, 2023 9:30 AM Work Session

December 6, 2023 9:30 AM Work Session 7:30 Meeting

December 20, 2023 9:30 AM Work Session

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Susan O’Brien Farries Ave Hi I apologize my battery died. Why is it necessary to get an alternate ZBA Attorney?**

**Mayor Harter Because when there are conflicts of interest, when the Attorney has a conflict of interest with a client**

**SO I understand. Where is the Board with regard to opening, closing, changing whatever the hell it is that you want to put it to the end of Farries and Beazer Development? Where is the Board?**

**Mayor Harter What do you mean do you want an opinion panel, what are you looking for?**

**SO Is it going to be closed, is it still under the lawsuit going on? I don’t know. I am not privy to that.**

**MH It is still in litigation.**

**SO Alright but I would like to know if it’s going to be opened, will it be done legally so be it. I really don't care whether it gets open or closed. I want to know whether it will be done legally. Where is the Board on that?**

**Mayor Harter to Attorney Cassidy Can we comment on that or is it in litigation?**

**Attorney Cassidy it’s in litigation**

**SO Again, I apologize my hearing aid battery died as I walked in the door So what did she say.**

**Attorney Cassidy it’s in litigation. It didn’t finish yet,**

**SO so, it’s still up in the air. I know that the Board can’t speak to it but I would love to really know where we are at. I know it’s in litigation, I know the lawyers rule the world. It would be really nice to know. Quite frankly I don’t care whether you open it and leave it open or close it. I want it done legally. Period. I try to be a legal person myself and I really want to know where you’re at. At any rate, that’s my question and again I apologize for my hearing aid battery died. Sorry. Thank you.**

**Mayor Harter Thank you, anyone else. Motion to adjourn.**

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Trustee Fuller seconded by Trustee Roach to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM.

**VOTE: YES 5 NO 0**

**Respectfully,**

**Colleen Wierzbicki Village Clerk**