

# Village of Wampsville

**June 6th, 2023**

The meeting of the Village of Wampsville Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 pm in the Village Hall, located at 118 N. Court St. Wampsville, NY.

**In Attendance:** Mayor: Gerald Seymour Jr.  
Trustees: Douglas Bailey, Marcia Rafte, Ellen Bowe, Dawn Collins  
Others: Lori Seymour, Maddison Jaquin, Maryanne & Wayne Anderson, Mote Colucci, Joe Frateschi

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited at 6:30 pm

**Public Hearing:** Motion to open public hearing on Local Law #6 is made by Ellen Bowe. Dawn Collins seconds motion.  
Discussion: None  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

Jerry Seymour explains that this Law is presented to decrease village speed to 25 miles per hour and a weight limit of 8 ton on Village roads. CHIPS fund street repairs once every ten years per road. Daniels Drive was done less than 3 years ago and is already in bad shape. Markell drive sees the same wear and tear. Joe Frateschi, village attorney, said the law was written broadly and can always be corrected. Ellen Bowe brought up that this will affect the residents who must bring home work trucks every so often. Joe reassured her that 8 tons is a very large vehicle, and the Village will have the discretion to chose to which extent it will be enforced. The Board all agrees that local deliveries will not be affected, nor do they wish to reprimand someone for needing to take a work truck home once or twice a year. The issue they are trying to prevent is someone bringing their tractor trailers home everyday and wearing out our streets.

Motion to close public hearing on Local Law #6 is made by Marcia Rafte. Douglas Bailey seconds motion.  
Discussion: None  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Bills:** Motion to pay bills is made by Ellen Bowe and seconded by Doug Bailey.  
Discussion: None  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Minutes:** Board is presented with last meeting minutes. Doug Bailey makes a motion to accept minutes. Motion is seconded by Marcia Rafte.  
Discussion: Correct 4% increase to decrease. Written incorrectly. All agree.  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Residents Comments:** Jerry Seymour reminded the public that the solar farm meeting in Oneida is 6/13/2023 at 6:00pm in the basement of the municipal building. You will need to sign up to speak.

**Res. 8-2023** Motion to allow good Energy to act as program administrator is made by Marcia Rafte and seconded by Dawn Collins.  
Discussion: Dawn Collins does not like that this is an opt out program. Jerry explains that this is to only allow them to give us pricing and if there is not a price decrease the program

ends. Ellen and Lori Seymour believe we should send out something to the residents to let them know. Jerry rebuttals that Green Energy will already do that, and it will take up to 6 months to get pricing back from them so sending something out before we know any details is not a good decision. Ellen agrees but thinks the second we do know that we need to send something out from us. Douglas Bailey states the residents don't know because they don't come to meetings. Dawn Collins states she had residents tell her they threw away the newsletter. We advertise as much as possible but if people don't take the incentive to find out or read something another letter won't help. Jerry Seymour asked the Board why they agreed to the program last month but didn't have the same reservation then. Everyone thinks we should move forward and hear what the savings will be like.

Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Res. 9-2023**

Motion to adopt Local Law #6 is made by Dawn Collins and seconded by Marcia Rafte  
Discussion: Ellen Bowe says she would say yes to the stipulation that the Law is rewritten to exclude occasional use of work trucks. Jerry Seymour states that he and Joe both believe writing the law broadly will be legal safer. Board agrees.

Record to Vote: Jerry Seymour – Yay, Dawn Collins – Yay, Marcia Rafte – Yay, Douglas Bailey – Yay, Ellen Bowe – Nay. 4/5 - Motion Carries.

**Fire Dept:**

Monte Colucci said they had a busy month including 4 house fires and many EMS calls. The Fire department was busy with the DWI drill in Canastota and a multitude of parades.

He shares that on the Pine Ridge fire call he lost air in breathing compressor, station compressor and truck compressor in just a few short hours. Monte shares he has issues with truck 324 refurbish by Jerome and is unsure how long the truck compressor will last. A new compressor runs around \$50,000. He says it boils down to maintenance on the trucks. Monte states the Fire Dept. has had the county do maintenance on their trucks to cut costs and it has hurt them in the long run. We will see the bill for the repairs soon.

Monte Colucci says the fire department computer says disc full and he needs a credit card with his name on it.

Dawn Collins asks about why there are 22 people on the fire department active 911 family account. Monte says he will investigate it and correct it.

Jerry Seymour thanks the Fire Department for installing poles and flags throughout the village.

**Event Committee:**

Lori Seymour shares that the Village Wide Garage Sale went well but they have a plan for next year. The committee suggests doors tags, advertising in the newsletter in the fall and have a drawing for people who register early.

The Trunk or Treat is the next event and there will be no meetings until September.

**Mayor's Comments:**

Jerry Seymour reminds the Board that next June the garbage contract is up. He thinks we should stipulate the garbage company must supply cans. Ellen Bowe states she thinks seeing the pink cans is a reminder of tax dollars at good use. Also, Joe brought up getting Codes360 and will get a quote and bring to the next meeting.

Motion to have a Public Hearing to lift solar farm moratorium is made by Ellen Bowe and seconded by Dawn Collins.

Discussion: None  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Trustee's Comments:** Ellen Bowe makes a motion to move meetings times up to 6:00 pm. Dawn collins seconds motion.

Discussion: None  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:53pm is made by Ellen Bowe and seconded by Douglas Bailey.

Discussion: None  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

Next meeting is July 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm