

# Village of Wampsville

**March 1, 2021**

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

**In Attendance:** Mayor: Gerald Seymour Jr.  
Trustees: Douglas Bailey, Ellen Bowe, Dawn Collins, Jacob Hatch  
Clerk/ Treasurer: Maddison Jaquin  
Village Attorney: Heather Denby  
Event Committee: Marcia Rafte  
Fire Chief: Chris Colvin  
Others: Dominick Perretta, Town of Lenox, Justin Szratter, Planning Board Chairman

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Recited at 6:31pm

**Public Hearing 1:** Ellen Bowe makes a motion to open public hearing for benchmarking municipal buildings. Dawn Collins seconds the motion.  
Public Comment: None.  
Discussion: Mayor explains this will involve posting an annual report of energy usage of village hall. The Village Clerk will be responsible for recording energy usage.  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.  
Motion to close the Public Hearing for benchmarking municipal buildings made by Dawn Collins and seconded by Douglas Bailey.  
Discussion: None.  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

**Public Hearing 2:** Jacob Hatch makes a motion to open public hearing for adopting the NY State Unified Solar Permit. Seconded by Dawn Collins.  
Public Comment: None.  
Discussion: Mayor explains this application is already being used by the Village of Wampsville via our Town of Lenox Codes Enforcer. We just need to adopt it in order to qualify for a grant.  
Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.  
Motion to close the Public Hearing for adopting Unified Solar Permit made by Ellen Bowe and seconded by Dawn Collins.  
Discussion: None.

Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried

**Village Attorney:** Heather Denby says she is still working on the court files and plans on contacting the Ethics Board if she doesn't receive answers from the FCA. Heather Denby tells the clerk to forward over the forms for both the unified solar and benchmarking prior to sending into the state so she can double check the applications.

**Minutes:** Dawn Collins makes a motion to accept last month's meeting minutes. Douglas Bailey seconds the motion.

Discussion: None.

Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried

**Res #2-2022:** Dawn Collins makes a motion to benchmark municipal buildings. Jacob Hatch seconds the motion.

Discussion: None.

Record to Vote: Douglas Bailey – Yay, Jacob Hatch – Yay, Dawn Collins – Yay, Ellen Bowe – Yay, Gerald Seymour Jr. – Yay. All in favor – motion carried.

**Res #3-2022:** Ellen Bowe made a motion to adopt the NYS Unified Solar Permits Application. Dawn Collins seconds the motion.

Discussion: None.

Record to Vote: Douglas Bailey – Yay, Jacob Hatch – Yay, Dawn Collins – Yay, Ellen Bowe – Yay, Gerald Seymour Jr. – Yay. All in favor – motion carried.

**Planning:** The Planning Board has training in Syracuse later this month. They are still working on the second draft to the Comprehensive Plan.

**Financials:** Maddison Jaquin, Clerk, provides revenues and expenses for last month to the Board.

**Clerk's Comments:** Maddison Jaquin asked the Board of Trustees for a motion to amend the budget as follows: Move Stimulus money into Revenue. Also, transfer \$4500 from Fire Dept Contingency to A-3410.27, \$1382.45 from Village Hall Contingency for overages in accounts A-3410.27, A-3410.21 and A-3410.41. \$2812.14 from Village Hall Contingency to A5142.42 and A-83404.4.

Motion to transfer the Stimulus money into revenues is made by Dawn Collins and seconded by Jacob Hatch.

Discussion: None.

Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

Motion to amend the budget per the Clerk's request, mentioned above, was made by Jacob Hatch. Doug Bailey seconds the motion.

Discussion: Providing description for which account codes these were and why they were needed.

Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.

- Budget :** Last night was the budget workshop. All are happy with the outcome.
- Ellen Bowe makes a motion to hold a public hearing on 4/12/2022 at 6:30pm to adopt the Budget for 2022-2023. Jacob Hatch seconds the motion.
- Discussion: None.
- Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.
- Event Committee:** Marcia Rafte the group that meet at Rita’s Retreat have a list of events lined up for the entire year including April 9<sup>th</sup> Easter Egg Hunt at the park. There was discussion on other possible events the committee has been thinking of hosting.
- Fire Department:** Chris Colvin says he has no news and the fire dept are still working on upgrading the kitchen and waiting to hear back on the grant.
- Town of Lenox:** Dominick Perretta came to represent the Town of Lenox. Dominick reassured the board that they still plan on hosting a free clean up to residents.
- Infrastructure:** Jerry Seymour, Mayor, exclaims that he intends to fix Citty, Kay and Christina Drives this summer.
- Building Grant:** The Mayor said another \$13,000 is coming and that will be the last of the \$125,000. Jerry still would like to fix the siding, landscaping, and possibly install air conditioning with the rest of the grant money the village needed to pitch on.
- Sign:** Ellen Bowe states she is very pleased by the sign despite her previous skepticism.
- Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.
- Mayor’s Comments:** Mayor had talked to Nye about the lot next door and was assured he will not sell because of the right of way. Jerry wants to get the Newsletter out by next meeting and wants to install sidewalks along Elm St.
- Adjourn:** Ellen Bowe makes a motion to adjourn at 7:19 pm. Jacob Hatch seconds the motion.
- Discussion: None.
- Record to Vote: All in favor – motion carried.