

Village Board Meeting
May 22, 2025, 6:00pm
Village Municipal Center

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Ratify Meeting Minutes (5/5)
3. Appropriations
 - General Fund
 - Water Fund
 - Sewer Fund
 - Unaudited Vouchers
4. Budget Transfers
5. Public Comment
6. Adjournment

Village Board Meeting
May 5th, 2025, 7:00pm
Village Municipal Center

Attendance: Village Board: Mayor Paul Labas, Deputy Mayor Dean Hyatt, Trustees Denise Davies, Heather Leaman, and Paul Garrone

Village Key Staff: Local Ordinance Officer Curtis Pedone, Fire Chief Michael Zinn, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Dee Scarlotta and Clerk-Treasurer Rick Roberts

Press: Mr. Erik Pekar, *NYVT Media*

Others: Mr. George Demas, Mr. Matthew Rollwagen, Mr. Dwayne and Mrs. Elaine Daigle, Mr. Dylan Daigle, Mr. Dan Williams, Mr. Matthew Aldous, Mrs. Ann McGarry-Aldous, and Mr. Nic Stark, Planner, Rutland Regional Planning Department

Mayor Labas led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the Meeting to Order at 7:00pm.

Ratify Meeting Minutes: Trustee Leaman moved ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting of April 7th as posted to the Village website. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Monthly Reports: The Mayor reviewed the following monthly reports with the Board: Village Count, Local Ordinance Officer, Police Department, Fire Department, and Water Department (3 samples taken, all satisfactory). Trustee Davies moved acceptance of the reports as read. Deputy Mayor Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Appropriations: The following claims were submitted to the Board for review and in consideration of payment:

General Fund:	\$43,634.67
Water Fund:	\$10,778.49
Sewer Fund:	\$21,374.01
Senior Shuttle:	\$1,550.62
Unaudited Vouchers:	<u>\$3,277.38</u>

Total Claims:	\$80,615.17
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The Board audited the claims and Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved their approval for payment. Trustee Leaman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Budget Transfers: The Mayor asked the Clerk-Treasurer to review the proposed Budget Transfers for the Board of Trustees. He reviewed recommended transfers for the General,

APPROPRIATIONS

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GENERAL: \$ 5,161.80

SEWER: \$ 356.36

WATER: \$ 270.15

SENIOR SHUTTLE: \$

UNAUDITED VOUCHERS: \$ 338.23

TOTAL..... \$ 6,126.54

Water & Sewer Funds commensurate with the pending end of the fiscal year. The proposed transfers were as follows:

<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>General Fund</u>			
A11104	Contractual Expense, Court	+\$750.00	Training/Conference Costs, Cleaning
A11101	Personal Service, Court	-\$750.00	Cure above shortfall
A31204	Contractual Expense, Police	+\$11,281.10	Transfer Grant Funds
A3389	State Aid, Public Safety	+\$11,281.10	Show Grant Funds
A33101	Personal Service, Cross. Guard	+\$1,750.00	Inc. Salaries, 2 Cross. Guards
A2280	Services to GCS	+\$1,750.00	Show GCS Revenue, Add. Cross. Guard
A16204	Contractual Expense, Mun Cntr	+\$3,500.00	Increased Power/Utility Costs
A51824	Streetlighting	+\$3,250.00	Increased Power/Utility Costs
A90608	Health Ins. Premiums	+4,300.00	Health Ins. Prem. > Budgeted
A51104	Cont. Expense, DPW	-\$11,050.00	Cure above shortfalls
<u>Water Fund</u>			
F83204	Power & Pumping	+\$3,525.00	Power costs > Budgeted
F83304	Purification	+\$250.00	Purifications costs > Budgeted
F83404	Contractual Expense, Water	-\$3,775.00	Cure above shortfall
<u>Sewer Fund</u>			
G81304	Contractual Expense, Sewer	+\$13,000.00	Cont. Exp. Costs > Budgeted
G90608	Health Ins. Premiums	-\$13,000.00	Cure above shortfall

Following a brief period of discussion, Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved approval of the Budget Transfers as recommended. Trustee Leaman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Appoint Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief: The Mayor reviewed a letter received from the Secretary of the Granville Fire Department detailing the results of the recent election for Department Officers. He advised that the membership of the Department had re-elected Michael Zinn as Chief and Keith Seebode as Assistant Chief. Following a brief period of discussion, Trustee Garrone made a motion to reappoint Michael Zinn as Chief and Keith Seebode as Assistant Chief. Deputy Mayor Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ratify New Member, Granville Engine & Hose Company #1: Mayor Labas reviewed correspondence received from the Granville Engine & Hose Company concerning the acceptance of a new member:

Logan Martelle

Mr. Martelle was accepted thru a vote of the Membership conducted on March 11th. Trustee Leaman made a motion to accept the candidate as recommended. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor's Reports: Mayor Labas provided reports in the following matters to the Board of Trustees:

- A. Ratify CSEA Agreement: The Mayor advised that a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) had been circulated to the Board summarizing the terms of the new Collective Bargaining Agreement with CSEA Local 1000. He recommended the same for ratification. Following a brief period of discussion, Trustee Garrone moved ratification of the MOA as written. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- B. Schedule Year-End Appropriations Meeting: Mayor Labas inquired as to the Board's pleasure in scheduling the annual year-end appropriations meeting for fiscal year 2024-25. He advised that the sole matter to be considered for this special meeting would be the final settlement of any claims for 2024-25. Following a brief period of discussion, it was agreed by unanimous consent that the year-end appropriations meeting would be scheduled for Thursday, May 22nd at 6:00pm at the Village Municipal Center.
- C. Presentation—D&H Rail Trail Management Plan: The Mayor introduced Nic Stark and Dwayne Daigle, members of the D&H Rail Trail Council, an entity formed to redevelop, manage & maintain the former D&H Railbed originating in Castleton, VT and running along the NY/VT border to Salem, NY. Mr. Stark thanked the Village for appointing Mr. Daigle to the Council and stated that he has been an excellent resource. He distributed a packet of information and advised that the State of Vermont is putting additional emphasis on the development and management of its abandoned railroad beds through its transportation agency, VTRANS. The State feels that the Rail Trails represent an excellent opportunity to promote exercise and healthy lifestyle choices. Mr. Stark requested the continued support of the Village Board and praised them for the improvements seen with the trail system and surrounding parks locally. He advised that he will also be meeting with the Granville Town Board in the near future. Mr. Stark noted that he has been working with Allison Gaddy from the LCLGRP to seek regional support for the trail system in New York. While there are some challenges along the Rail Bed in Middle Granville and Hampton, the hope is to develop the trail fully as a recreative opportunity for all of the towns/villages locally. If they are successful, some 19.8 miles of trails would be made available to the public. Following Mr. Stark's presentation, the Board asked several questions concerning trail management, governance, etc. At the conclusion of the discussion period, the Mayor thanked Mr. Stark for his time and efforts in coordinating matters with the Council. He noted that the trail is used frequently locally by both Village residents and regional patrons/tourists.

throughout the year. The Mayor advised that he would be pleased if the trail could be fully developed, citing it as an excellent regional resource for recreation and tourism.

Mayor Labas opened the meeting to public comment at 7:30pm.

The Village Clerk noted the passing of longtime Town Clerk JennyLinda Martelle, and expressed sympathy to both her family and Town Officials. He noted her extended period of service to the Granville community. Mayor Labas echoed the Clerk's sentiments and advised if there was anything that the Village could do to assist the Town during the transition period that we would be glad to do so.

There was no further public comment.

Trustee Davies moved that the Board convene an Executive Session at 7:30pm regarding a matter pertaining to contract negotiations. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

At 8:05pm, Trustee Davies moved that the Board return to regular session. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Mayor advised that no decisions were made during the Board's Executive Session.

There being no other business, Trustee Leaman offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm. Deputy Mayor Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard H. Roberts
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Proposed Budget Transfers/Amendment

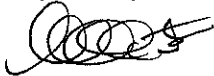
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The following transfers are recommended for the General and Water Funds in order avoid overdrawing any individual line items in the funding of this evening's appropriations:

<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>General Fund</u>			
A14504	Contractual Expense, Elections	+\$50.00	Increased advertising costs, Election
A35101	Pers. Service, Dog Control Off.	+\$1.00	Rounding, Payroll
A35104	Contractual Expense, DCO	+\$500.00	Nuisance Wildlife Rem. > Budgeted
A90308	FICA Taxes, General Fund	+\$7,000.00	FICA Taxes > Budgeted
A3389	Fed/State Aid, Police Dept.	+\$7,551.00	Cure above shortfalls
A31201	Personal Service, Police Dept.	+\$9,500.00	Unused Holidays, Vacation, PTO
A31204	Contractual Expense, PD	-\$9,500.00	Cure above shortfall
<u>Water Fund</u>			
F83404	Contractual Expense, Water	+\$1,500.00	Prior Trans. used to fund power costs
F90608	Health Insurance Premiums	-\$1,500.00	Cure above shortfall

Your approval of the above transfers is requested this evening. If you have any questions or require any further information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,



Richard H. Roberts
Village Clerk-Treasurer