

**Village Board Meeting  
October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 7:00pm  
Village Municipal Center**

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

Village Key Staff: Fire Chief Michael Zinn, Local Ordinance Officer Curtis Pedone, DPW Superintendent Scott Mackey, Ass't Sup't Josh Hayes, Police Chief Ernie Bassett Jr., Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Dee Scarlotta and Clerk-Treasurer Rick Roberts

Press: Erik Pekar, *NYVT Media*

Others: Mr. Mason Zinn, Mr. Matthew Rollwagen, Mr. Dan Williams, President, Slate Valley Museum, Ms. Kirstin Thomas, and Mr. Steven Gregory

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

Ratify Meeting Minutes: Trustee Davies moved ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting of September 8<sup>th</sup> as published to the Village website. Trustee Leaman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Monthly Reports: The Mayor reviewed the following monthly reports with the Board of Trustees: Police Dept., Fire Dept., Local Ordinance Officer, Water Dept. (3 samples, all satisfactory), and Village Court. Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved acceptance of the reports as submitted. Trustee Garrone 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:	\$35,620.57
Water Fund:	\$11,396.99
Sewer Fund:	\$20,834.47
Senior Shuttle:	\$1,121.72
Unaudited Vouchers:	<u>\$806.23</u>

Total Claims: \$69,779.98

The Board audited the claims and Trustee Leaman moved their approval for payment. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Budget Transfers: The Clerk-Treasurer circulated a memo recommending a single Budget Transfer in the Water Fund in order to avoid overdrawing any specific line items in the funding of this evening's appropriations:

<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Reason</u>
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**Water Fund**

F83402	Water Equipment	+\$100.00	Equipment slightly > Budgeted Amt.
F83404	Cont. Exp., Water Dept.	-\$100.00	Cure above shortfall

Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved approval of the transfer as recommended. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**Mayor’s Reports:** Mayor Labas reviewed the following matters with the Board of Trustees:

- A. Proposed Local Law #1 of 2025: The Mayor advised that the Board was awaiting the final draft copy from the Village Attorney regarding Proposed Local Law #1 of 2025. He reported that the Village Attorney was out of Town, but that the copy was expected soon. Following a brief period of discussion, the Board unanimously agreed that a Public Hearing would be convened concerning the proposed legislation on November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm. The Mayor advised that a copy of the proposed legislation would be posted to the Village website at least ten days prior to the Public Hearing in order to allow for the public to review the same.
  
- B. Correspondence Received—Village Website: Mayor Labas advised of receipt of email correspondence concerning the Village website. Some material seen on the site is dated and requires an update. The Mayor advised that staff in the Clerk’s office would be working with our website coordinator to review and update the information as necessary.
  
- C. Holiday Season Update: The Mayor advised that he and Deputy Mayor Hyatt had worked in September to refurbish numerous buildings throughout the Village with a manlift, changing out upwards of 1,000 bulbs. He advised that the Holiday Committee would be meeting soon and asked the Committee Chairman if he could speak to this year’s slated events. The Village Clerk briefly reviewed the schedule, plan of work, and a status concerning the Village’s preparations to date. The Chairman thanked the Chamber of Commerce for their partnership in co-sponsoring this event, the DPW for their efforts and assistance, and the many volunteers who assist with this project throughout the year. He feels that the decorations bring a source of pride to the community, as well as an excellent social and recreational resource for our constituents.
  
- D. Car Show Report: Mayor Labas asked Trustee Davies if she could provide a summary report for the Chamber of Commerce’s Annual Car Show. Trustee Davies advised that the event was held on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Granville Little League Complex. The Chamber was fortunate to draw a good day weather-wise and they saw a record number of cars (308) as a result. Attendance was excellent (1,000+ patrons) and the food & craft vendors did well. The Chamber saw attendees from across the region and felt it was an excellent day for the Chamber and for Granville.

Mayor Labas then opened the meeting to public comment at 7:20pm.

Ms. Kirstin Thomas commented that she was the new owner of the building located at the corner of Church and Main Streets. They have been rehabbing the building and hope to install a new sidewalk

soon. They have other plans for the property, including a possible coffee shop in the front of the building. Deputy Mayor Hyatt complimented Ms. Thomas concerning the upgrades to her property.

While on site there, Ms. Thomas reports having observed a fair amount of impatient traffic at the intersection of Main /Church—including erratic starts/stops, bad language, etc. She inquired if the Police Department could perhaps observe the intersection and evaluate. The Mayor advised that he tended to agree with the concerns expressed and asked the Police Chief if he could provide coverage/patrols in this area occasionally. The Police Chief advised that the Department could monitor/provide better coverage there.

The Board then initiated a discussion concerning a number of subjects relating to public safety—concerns with sidewalks, e-bikes, etc.—and several possible remedies to address.

There was no further public comment.

At 7:20pm, Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved that the Board convene an Executive Session concerning a matter pertaining to the Collective Bargaining Agreements for the DPW (CSEA) and Police Dept. (UPSEU). Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

At 8:00pm, Trustee Leaman moved that the Board return to regular session. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Mayor advised that no actions were taken or decisions made during the Executive Session.

There being no other business, Trustee Garrone offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. Deputy Mayor Hyatt seconded the motion and it carried without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard H. Roberts  
Village Clerk-Treasurer