

**Village Board Meeting
June 1st, 2026, 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: Police Chief Ernie Bassett, Fire Chief Michael Zinn, Local Ordinance Officer Curtis Pedone, DPW Superintendent Scott Mackey, Ass't Sup't Josh Hayes, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Dee Scarlotta and Clerk-Treasurer Rick Roberts

Press: Patrick Ward, *NYVT Media*

Others: Mr. Matthew Rollwagen

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

Ratify Meeting Minutes: Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved ratification of the Minutes of the Meeting of May 27th as circulated. Trustee Davies seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Monthly Reports: Mayor Labas reviewed the following monthly reports with the Board: Police Dept., Village Court, Local Ordinance Officer, Fire Dept. and Water Dept (3 samples collected, all satisfactory). Trustee Leaman moved acceptance of the reports as read. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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

General Fund: \$183,696.82
Water Fund: \$18,994.64
Sewer Fund: \$49,107.74
Senior Shuttle \$4,778.92

Total Claims: \$256,578.12

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 offered a single budget transfer in the Water Fund for the 2025-26 Budget as a result of year-end accruals and expenses:

<u>Acct #</u>	<u>Account Title</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>Water Fund</u>			
F83404	Cont. Exp., Water Fund	+\$1,300.00	Cont. Exp. slightly > Budgeted

F90608 Health Ins. Prem., Water Fnd - \$1,300.00 Cure above shortfall

Trustee Garrone moved approval of the Budget Transfer as recommended. Trustee Leaman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor's Reports: The Mayor briefed the Board in the following matters:

Veterans Park Requests: Mayor Labas briefed the Board concerning two requests to conduct wedding ceremonies in Veterans Park. The requested dates of use are June 6th and August 29th. The Mayor advised that both of the requested dates of use were open on the Park calendar. Following a brief period of discussion, Deputy Mayor Hyatt moved approval of the requests as submitted. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mayor Labas opened the Meeting to public comment at 7:05pm.

Deputy Mayor Hyatt complimented the Village DPW for their efforts in keeping the Village looking good. He noted the appearance of Veterans Park, the installation of banners, flags, flowers, etc., as well the paving work recently completed at the Pember Library & Museum. He feels that the DPW makes a concerted effort to keep the appearance up for Village properties and that this is appreciated by Village constituents.

The Mayor reminded those in attendance that June was "Alzheimer's Awareness Month". He noted that a group of volunteers would be "painting the town purple" to raise awareness and solicit donations towards finding a cure. Purple lights have been ordered and placed in Veterans Park and the Village Municipal Center in support of this cause per the Mayor.

The Village Clerk advised that the Deputy Clerk had raised some \$4,700 to date through local businesses and civic organizations in support of the Summer Concert Series. He complimented the Clerk on her work in support of the Series. The Clerk also expressed his appreciation to Cristina Marchese, Director of the Rail Trail Race. He noted that she had 108 registrants for this year's event. While inclement weather did inhibit the turnout on Race Day, the event was still well received and successful. Lastly, the Clerk advised that he was continuing to advertise and work to fill the vacant post for the Summer Swim Program Director. He asked that if anyone knew of a potential candidate that they refer them to the Village Offices for an interview. It is hoped that this position can be filled soon so that this program can be executed in July-August.

There was no further comment.

The Mayor advised that he was unaware of any matters requiring an Executive Session. There being no other business, Trustee Leaman moved that the Meeting be adjourned at 7:10pm. Trustee Garrone seconded the motion and it carried without objection.

Respectfully Submitted,



Richard H. Roberts
Village Clerk-Treasurer