



# VILLAGE OF COLONIE

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## MINUTES

### MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024

6:30 P.M.

**PATTY SCHWARZ LOCKART**  
DEPUTY MAYOR

**FRANK A. PREVRATIL**  
TRUSTEE

**JASON M. DEPAULO**  
TRUSTEE

**MARK P. STEVENS**  
TRUSTEE

**JAMIE L. BLOT**  
VILLAGE CLERK

The meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 16, 2024, at 2 Thunder Road, Albany, NY 12205. Mayor Rubino opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:	Mayor Rubino	Present
	Deputy Mayor Lockart	Absent
	Trustee Prevratil	Present
	Trustee DePaulo	Present
	Trustee Stevens	Present
	Clerk Blot	Present

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on September 3, 2024, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

A motion was made by Trustee DePaulo to approve the minutes, as presented.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-66 “Expend funds out of the capital reserve DPW streets fund” for the paving of Locust Park tennis court – playground, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to approve Resolution 2024-66.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-68 “Water adjustment #1 – of October 2024”. Clerk Blot explained that there was a prior issue with the water meters at Saddlewood and Forest Park Elementary Schools. The school district had installed the wrong meters in both schools, and the water consumptions on both properties were miscalculated for several cycles. This adjustment is to reflect the cycles that were billed for elevated consumption due to this meter issue.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to approve Resolution 2024-68.

Motion seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-69 “Transfer of funds from First National Bank of Scotia to Pioneer Bank”. Clerk Blot stated that the interest rates at Pioneer Bank are far better than First National Bank, so we are moving some funds to Pioneer Bank to earn more interest.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to approve Resolution 2024-69.

Motion seconded by Trustee Prevratil.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-70 “Change order no. 1 – pump station”. Mayor Rubino explained that this change order is non-monetary and is just changing the date of completion for the project.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to approve Resolution 2024-70.

Motion seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-71 “Change order no. 2 – pump station”. Mayor Rubino stated there was a mistake on the original engineering drawing.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to approve Resolution 2024-71.

Motion seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
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Trustee DePaulo	Yes
Trustee Stevens	Yes
Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot read aloud Resolution 2024-72 “Change order no. 1 – Locust Park playground – tennis court paving”. Mayor Rubino stated that this change order was for an additional day of excavating and hauling.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to approve Resolution 2024-72, as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for a public hearing to be held on Monday, October 7, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. for Local Law #4 of 2024, “Amendments to the Village of Colonie code book”.

A motion was made by Trustee Prevratil to authorize the Clerk to advertise, as stated above.

Motion seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for a public hearing to be held on Monday, October 7, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. for Resolution 2024-73 “Authorize to expend funds out of the capital reserve fire equipment fund”, for the purchase of a new pumper.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to authorize the Clerk to advertise, as stated above.

Motion seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested authorization to advertise for sealed bids for a new dump truck/salter. Bid opening to take place on Friday, October 4, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall, 2 Thunder Road, Albany, NY 12205.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to authorize the Clerk to advertise for the bid, as stated above.

Motion seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Resident Judy Jacobson and Lisa Thompson of Marini Court were present to address concerns over a house on their street located at number 6. Ms. Jacobson said the home was purchased by a new owner and work began on the house and then suddenly stopped around March/April of this year. She added someone was back this past Saturday, but she fears that there is a mice infestation. She also noted a woodpecker was on the side of the house for several hours, and said there might be a termite issue as well.

Mayor Rubino stated that he recalls this issue and said he will check with Code Enforcement Officer Meservey and have someone get back to the residents regarding this issue. He added we can clean up the exterior of the property and levy it onto the taxes.

Mayor Rubino added that he is sympathetic to this situation and will investigate it.

Ms. Jacobson also stated she hear a noise disturbance at around 2:30 a.m. Sunday. She said it was loud bongo-music, it was noted on her ring-doorbell. Other in the audience said they heard similar music, even across Central Avenue (note: this is unrelated to the 6 Marini Court complaint). Someone interjected and said the police were contacted, and the music was coming from Lisha Kill Road, located in the Town of Colonie.

Chief Kayser said he attended a final inspection of the pumper last Thursday and Friday and the truck came out beautiful.

Trustee Prevratil thanked all departments for all they do.

Mayor Rubino was glad to see residents present to voice their concerns so that we can address them properly, adding, when things are put on social media the message or concern isn't always conveyed in a clear manner.

Reports Submitted:

Senior Center report 9/2/2024 to 9/6/2024

Senior Center report 9/9/2024 to 9/13/2024

Senior Center revenue v. expenditure report 8/26/2024 to 9/6/2024

Abstract #8

General: \$63,607.08

Water: \$5,118.04

Sewer: \$4,419.11

**Total: \$73,144.23**

Trustee Stevens made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Prevratil	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Mayor Rubino	Yes

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,

Jamie L. Blot  
Village Clerk