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VILLAGE CLERK

MINUTES MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025 6:30 P.M.

The meeting of the Mayor and Board of Trustees was held on Monday, August 4, 2025, at 2 Thunder Road, Albany, NY 12205. Deputy Mayor Prevratil opened the meeting at 6:34 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Minutes of the public hearing held on July 21, 2025, regarding Local Law #5 of 2025 and the minutes of the regularly scheduled board meeting held on July 21, 2025, were reviewed by the present members of the board.

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

Vote:	Trustee Lockart	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Prevratil	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-52 "Authorize to expend funds out of the capital reserve recreation center fund".

A motion was made by Trustee DePaulo to approve Resolution 2025-52, as presented.
The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote:	Trustee Lockart	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Prevratil	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-54 “Emergency expense – sewer repair Vly Road.”

Deputy Mayor Prevratil explained that there was an emergency situation on Vly Road that required immediate attention due to a possible health concern. He said that the Town of Colonie was preparing to pave the street, and normal procedure we check the sewer line of the street prior to paving, since the sewer line on that road is owned and maintained by the Village. Upon investigation of the sewer line, it was found that there was a break in the line that needed immediate repair, to which the Village contracted with Anjo construction to make said repair, which is expected not to exceed \$15,000, to be expended out of the sewer repair and replacement capital reserve.

A motion was made by Trustee Lockart to approve Resolution 2025-54, as presented.
The motion was seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Lockart	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Prevratil	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-55 “Authorize to accept the bid for the 2015 Chevy Tahoe”.

Deputy Mayor Prevratil added that we were hoping to receive at least \$10,000 on this bid, and we when the bid ended the amount was \$15,600, we were please with that result.

A motion was made by Trustee Stevens to approve Resolution 2025-55, as presented
The motion was seconded by Trustee Lockart.

Vote:	Trustee Lockart	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Prevratil	Yes

Motion passed.

Clerk Blot requested a vote on Resolution 2025-56 “A resolution rescinding the vote of Local Law #5 of 2025 “Amendments to the Village of Colonie Code” adding article IV: Cats”. She added that approval of this resolution also authorized the Clerk to advertise to hold a public hearing for this Local Law to take place on Monday, August 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Prevratil added that the public hearing meeting held on August 4, 2025, was not done according to our standards of a public hearing and we’d like to rescind the decision that was made and hold a new public hearing to invite new discussion and re-vote on the matter.

A motion was made by Trustee Lockart to approve Resolution 2025-56, as presented.
The motion was seconded by Trustee DePaulo.

Vote:	Trustee Lockart	Yes
	Trustee DePaulo	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Prevratil	Yes

Motion passed.

Chief Kayser read aloud the July 2025 fire report. He added that 2 more members graduated to be interior fire fighters, by completing the 6-week bootcamp training. He stated that adds up to 7 new interior firefighters since early June. Trustee Stevens asked for the names of the two new individuals, to which Chief Kayser said the individuals are Zachary Elk and Jesse Sample. The board asked the Chief to pass on their congratulations to the new firefighters. Chief Kayser introduced new daytime staff employee Brady Latham to the board. Mr. Latham is an internal transfer employee who worked for the Department of Public Works prior. Mr. Latham is a lifelong Village resident and the Chief said is a great addition to the fire staff. Deputy Mayor Prevratil commended the fire department, and added that the number of new firefighters are impressive and congratulated all and welcomed Mr. Latham aboard. Trustee Stevens congratulated the fire department softball team and asked the Chief to pass along his congratulations. He added that it's a great family that they have up there.

Resident Janice Potter of Forest Drive was present to state her concerns with the increase of the June 2025 sewer bill. She said that many residents who live on a fixed income, especially our seniors might be feeling a struggle to manage such an increase. Ms. Potter asked if there was a public hearing regarding the increase. Ms. Potter also stated that her neighbor pays a different rate than she does. Clerk Blot thanked her for coming in to share her concerns and added that while she sympathized with her concerns, she wanted to share with her some history on the sewer bill and the Albany County bill that the Village pays. Clerk Blot first stated that there was not a public hearing, as the sewer rate is part of the fee schedule, which is approved by resolution, and not in the code book, so it does not require a public hearing, but she did however say it was done at a public meeting and was posting on the agenda prior to the meeting. Clerk Blot stated that the Village of Colonie sewer bill has never increased since its establishment in the 1960's. She stated that since it's establishment, Albany County, who the Village pays for the treatment of the sewage, has increased the fees that the Village pays, consistently and the Village has absorbed those costs over the years. She stated, unfortunately it's gotten to the point where we can no longer absorb that cost and the increase was necessary. Clerk Blot stated that all single-family residential houses pay the same amount, which is currently \$75.00 per billing cycle (6 months). Clerk Blot said she would speak with Ms. Potter after the meeting regarding her specific neighbor to compare, to ensure there was no discrepancies.

Reports Submitted:

Senior center expenditure vs. revenue report 7/14/2025 – 7/26/2025

Senior lunch report 7/14/2025 – 7/24/2025

Fire Department report July 2025

Abstract #5

General: \$82,465.43

Water: \$15,220.71

Sewer: \$32,936.36

Total: \$130,622.50

Deputy Mayor Prevratil made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded by Trustee Stevens.

Vote:	Trustee Lockart	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes
	Trustee Stevens	Yes

Motion passed. Deputy Mayor Prevratil Yes

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Jamie L. Blot
Village Clerk