

REGULAR MEETING -BOARD OF TRUSTEES- AUGUST 18, 2026-6:15 P.M. – VILLAGE HALL- 662 HUDSON AVENUE, PRESENT: MAYOR – JUDY WOOD-ZENO, TRUSTEE DOROTHY DEMARCO, TRUSTEE PATRICK NELSON, TRUSTEE JEFF STEWART, TRUSTEE SUE CUNNINGHAM
CLERK TREASURER: SHERISTIN TEDESCO
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS: MATT RIFENBURGH
BUILDING CODE OFFICER: JOHN MCBRIDE
FIRE BUREAU CHIEF: LAURENCE CASE - Absent
ATTORNEY: JAMES PELUSO
FIRE CHIEF: TONY CONTI
ENGINEER: ED HERNANDEZ – Absent
ENGINEER: PAUL MALE

Public Attendance – 7

CORRESPONDENCE – Letter of interest from Julianna Seabury for the open Village Historian position.

MOTION to approve Julianna Seabury as the new Village Historian, starting September 1, 2026, at the same rate as the previous Village Historian made by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF: (Report on file) There was 23 alarms and 4 training drills during the month.

Trustee Stewart thanked the Fire Dept. for a job well done during the recent rain and high-water event.

DPW – (Report on file) Kabricky Co. has completed one clarifier and is working on the other at the sewer plant.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – (Report on file) There is an application in progress for a liquor store at the old chiropractic office.

BUREAU OF FIRE SERVICES – Absent, No report at this time

MAYOR UPDATES – Clerk Treasurer Tedesco discovered a program named IMPACT Melanoma (Improving Melanoma Prevention through Awareness, Care and Teaching) to provide education against skin cancer and provide free sunscreen at parks throughout the Village. There will be three sunscreen stations. One at Revolution Park, the splash pad and Major Dickinson Park. All three sunscreen stations have sponsors to purchase them at no cost to the Village. The Village will only have to purchase the sunscreen and put up and take down the stations in the spring and fall. There will be a ribbon cutting planned for May (which is melanoma awareness month). We are very proud of this new addition for the Village, since both the mayor and the clerk are melanoma warriors, and we look forward to this in the spring.

MOTION to sponsor a band for Stillwater Family Day 2026, at a cost not to exceed \$500.00, made by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 3-0

The DPW is currently looking for a good used pick up truck and a depreciation schedule is currently being worked on.

The canal boat project should get help from Momentive in the Spring of 2027.

There is an issue with high levels of I&I throughout the Village. The board and the DPW are thinking people are hooking their sump pumps into the village sewer, which is illegal. This was a problem with this years ago and the DPW went to every single house in the village to verify there were not connections. They are thinking this will have to be done again with fines imposed of \$350 for the first offense and \$700 for the second, if caught. The DPW Foreman is researching companies and pricing for estimates to camera the sewer lines. Once that is done and if the Board approves, we will begin running cameras through the lines.

MOTION to use the new letterhead with the Village logo and the removal of the names made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham

Motion carried 3-0

The Christmas in July craft fair raised around \$700 for the Winterfest and we received a donation from the Smoke Shop owners of another \$400 toward the Winterfest activities.

NY State has revised the SEQRA forms and a link was sent by BCO John McBride.

TRUSTEE STEWART – No report at this time

TRUSTEE DEMARCO – Absent

TRUSTEE NELSON – The Climate Smart Stormwater Management grant was successfully submitted. Thanks to all who assisted. There are other opportunities in the works as the main goal is to save money on energy for the Village.

TRUSTEE CUNNINGHAM – No report at this time

Voucher Totals by Account 8/18/2026	
“A” General Fund	\$ 88,433.73
“F” Water Fund	\$ 1,740.59
“G” Sewer Fund	\$ <u>22,277.99</u>
TOTAL	\$ 112,452.31

Treasurer’s Report – copy provided to all board members

Up to date Revenue and Expense Control Reports have been provided to all board members.

Village Taxes update - 90% have been collected to date

MOTION to approve the budget adjustments as presented to the Board made by Mayor Wood Zeno, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 3-0

Increase A.7180.400 Winterfest by \$1120.00 from proceeds from the Christmas in July craft fair and a private donation of \$400.00

MOTION to Open the Floor to the Public and Press made by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Nelson
Motion carried 4-0

John Basile, 648 Hudson Ave., spoke about 3 different high-water events that affected the Village Hall in the past and stated all were managed with sand bags and questioned the grant that was submitted. He said that a dock could not be put out back for boats, as this is not a section worthy of power boats. The area should be for kayaks or the fire boat only.

MOTION to close the floor to the public and press made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION to hold a public hearing on September 15, 2026 at 6:15 p.m. at the Village Hall, 662 Hudson Ave., Stillwater, NY, to consider increases to the Village’s sewer billing rates made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION to approve the audit claims for the month made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Stewart
Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to approve the Treasurer’s Report made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting dated 7/21/2026 made by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to adjourn to executive session at 6:50 PM for legal consultation made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

MOTION to exit executive session at 7:15 PM for legal consultation made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 3-0

The Mayor was given authority by the Village Board to settle a property dispute in executive session.

MOTION to adjourn at 7:15 PM made by Trustee Nelson, seconded by Trustee Cunningham
Motion carried 4-0

Respectfully submitted,

Sheristin Tedesco
Clerk/Treasurer