

Village of Greene Board Meeting Minutes  
October 14, 2024 7pm

Mayor DuMond called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for George Marr who passed away Saturday. George was an electrical inspector in our area for many years, was a member of the Village Planning/Zoning board for well over 20 years and a dedicated member of the Greene community.

Present at the meeting were: Trustees Williamson, McGrath, Najarian and Shapley. Along with OIC Nordberg, Electric Superintendent Livingston, Sewer Plant Operator Ingraham, Working Supervisor Kinney and Fire Chief Williams. Visitors: Marcia Miller, Jerry Andrews, Elizabeth Maley and Ed Maley.

Motion by Trustee McGrath seconded by Trustee Najarian to accept board meeting minutes of 9/9/24. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Williamson seconded by Trustee Shapley that Treasurer's, Police, Village Court, Town of Greene, Town/Village Historian and Code Enforcement reports were received and filed. Ayes-all. Carried.

Fire Chief Williams reported the fire house sprinkler system failed inspection and is scheduled for repair. The cost will be approximately \$2,500.00 for the repair. 11/4/24 all Fire Dept members will be attending their annual NYS Harassment and Discrimination Training. New member application was submitted for approval by the board. Fire Chief Williams stated the Fire Dept would like to hold a Car show at the Ballflats next year either May 31<sup>st</sup> or June 7<sup>th</sup> with the sale of food as well. FC Willams would look into the other car shows as to not have one at the same date as others in the area.

Motion by Trustee Shapley seconded by Trustee Williamson to accept new member application pending physical. Ayes-all. Carried.

Mayor DuMond wanted to thank the Fire Dept for a great job at the pancake breakfast this past weekend.

Electric Superintendent Livingston reported 1-50ft and 1-100ft extension cord were lost from the Ballflats Applefest. Vendors should be required to supply their own extension cords from now on since the Labor Day Committee is now without 2 extension cords. The Electric Dept has a lot of upcoming projects they are getting ready to start on.

Working Supervisor Kinney reported Hwy Dept has started picking up leaves with the leaf vac, some blacktop work got done, a few broken sidewalk slabs in front of the Post Office on S. Canal St were done. Concrete was poured at Monument Park as prep work to get ready for the Scoop placement, which when complete, there will be a dedication ceremony. Grayson will be attending water school 10/21/24 through 10/25/24 in Cortland for his Class "D" water license. 10/16/24 they will be doing more blacktop work on Page Street to Bowling Alley on S. Chenango Street, Clinton Street to Birdsall Street and Birdsall Street to bridge, as the weather is looking favorable. WS Kinney marked areas on Foundry Street for Trustees to see width of street with parking and without parking. This street has been an issue to travel on, especially with snow plows and a hazard if fire trucks were needed to get down this street. WS Kinney is requesting a cap on blacktop of \$40k, he would like to submit approximately \$20k to CHIPS for reimbursement. Also, Chenango Welding was purchased by Empire Air Gas and the price on our lease renewal has gone up tremendously and would like permission to accept cheapest lease from welding gas companies. WS Kinney is continuing to maintain dog stations twice per week, but suggested they keep searching for volunteers for this project or we may need to consider taking them down. Mayor DuMond asked WS Kinney if he would pick up debris in front of 8 ½ Jackson Street. WS Kinney will pick up the debris from that location.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee Williamson to cap blacktop amount at \$40k. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee McGrath seconded by Trustee Shapley to accept cheapest welding gas company lease. Ayes-all. Carried.

OIC Nordberg reported new part-time officer Philip Cole started training with him today. Not much training will be needed as he is a retired officer with many years of experience and is nice to have him on board.

Sewer Plant Operator Ingraham reported they are getting the plant ready for winter. They have a meter project coming up. Laberge will be in the village doing more survey work. There is no date set for waterline project being put out to bid yet.

Motion by Trustee McGrath seconded by Trustee Najarian to accept the village's court audit by the village's accounting firm CWYNAR, Farrow & Locke, CPA's of Norwich. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee Shapley to hold Trick or Treating in the village on 10/31/24, Thursday, from 5pm to 8pm. Ayes-all. Carried.

Mayor DuMond reported the village board has decided to switch village attorneys from Hinman, Howard & Kattell, LLP to Coughlin & Gerhart.

Motion by Trustee Williamson seconded by Trustee Najarian that the following audited claims be paid in total of \$272,833.30 as follows:

General Fund	\$76,028.17	Water Fund	\$5,752.58
Electric Fund	\$145,044.61	Sewer Fund	\$46,007.94

Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Shapley seconded by Trustee Williamson to authorize budget amendments as follows:

A.3410.453	FIRE DEPT FIRE PREVENTION	+\$325.15
A.3410.448	FIRE DEPT MISC.	-\$325.15
F.8330.457	PURIFICATION CHEMICALS	+\$1,055.00
F.8330.200	PURIFICATION EQUIPMENT	-\$1,055.00
A.8015.400	CODE ENFORCEMENT EXPENSES	+\$638.00
A.8011.405	CODE ENFORCE.RECORD BOOK PRESERVATION	-\$250.00
A.8011.400	CODE ENFORCE.CODE BOOK CONTRACTUAL	-\$388.00

XFER FROM NYCLASS GENERAL RESERVE \$15,351.00

TO TIOGA GENERAL ACCT FOR 2023 CHEVY TAHOE POLICE CAR UPFIT \$15,351.00

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

TO INCREASE A.3120.200 POLICE EQUIPMENT \$15,351.00

TO INCREASE A.5031.000 INTERFUND XFER \$15,351.00

G.8130.200 TREATMENT PLANT EQUIP +\$4618.00

XFER FROM NYCLASS WATERLINE PROJECT ACCOUNT TO TIOGA WATERLINE PROJECT ACCOUNT \$547.45 FOR LABERGE INVOICE #:202106200032.

Ayes-all. Carried.

Mayor Dumond opened the floor to visitors.

Marcia Miller wanted to acknowledge the passing of George Marr. He was instrumental in many projects of the Planning/Zoning board and he cared greatly about the community he lived in. He will be greatly missed.

Jerry Andrews is very concerned about a neighborhood dog and would like an update as to what is being done regarding this dangerous dog. OIC Nordberg stated he understands Mr. Andrews frustration, however, there is nothing he can do, it is in the dog warden and the Town Courts hands.

Elizabeth Maley wanted to address the smell of the sewer plant over the last few months being very bad. Trustee McGrath stated the issue is being addressed. The companies involved have been working with the village to find a solution to the ongoing issue to rectify the problem. It has been a big challenge; we are doing our best to change things to get it to the right level so the smell subsides. SPO Ingraham stated they are working and following DEC suggestions and regulations. DEC tests monthly and all inspections have been passed. Elizabeth Maley also brought up parking signage. WS Kinney assured the signs will be up soon. Elizabeth Maley asked when the road will be relined in the crosswalks. WS Kinney inquired with the DOT and requested the DOT to get the crosswalks relined but has received no answer as to when they would be. Elizabeth Maley will be making a call to the DOT herself as well because it is dangerous.

Mayor DuMond asked Elizabeth and Ed Maley if he was correct that they have now owned Bonnie's for 10 years. Elizabeth and Ed Maley stated December 1<sup>st</sup> they will be in business for 10 years and it is a total of 40 years for Bonnie's. They will be having a celebration the afternoon of December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Trustee McGrath asked Marcia if they will be in need of Honor Guards for George Marr's service. Marcia reported they will be having Honor Guards for his service.

Trustee Shapley reported a wonderful job was done for the pancake breakfast, she and Mayor DuMond enjoyed seeing so many people turn out for this event.

Trustee Williamson thanked the Hwy Dept for the paving job on N. Chenango Street and Genesee Street.

Trustee McGrath thanked WS Kinney for continuing to take care of the dog stations.

Motion by Trustee Williamson seconded by Trustee Najarian to exit regular session and enter executive session. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Najarian seconded by Trustee McGrath to exit executive session and enter into regular session at 8:15pm. Ayes-all. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Williamson seconded by Trustee Shapley to adjourn meeting at 8:16pm. Ayes-all. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene A. Tornillo  
Clerk Treasurer