

The regular meeting of the Village Board was held on February 3, 2025, at the Middleburgh Library.

Present: Mayor Timothy Knight; Trustees: Sheryl Adams, Robert Tinker, Kevin Young, Amanda Fernandez-absent; Also present: Clerk Laraway, Attorney Mauhs, Code Officer Fink, Shylia Hanson, David Avitabile – Mountain Eagle, Zoom: no one.

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams, to approve Board minutes for January 6, 2025. Upon a roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0. Trustee Adams made a motion, seconded by Trustee Young, to approve minutes for January 22, 2025. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 3-0. Trustee Tinke abstained.

Fire Chief Gregory Monthly Report: Unable to attend due to training.

Code Officer Fink Monthly Report: Remodel on River Street and Grove Street; Middleburgh Meadows moving right along; Couple of C/O's for roofs and deck. Order to remedy shed on Union Street. New Business application and sign permit for 315 Main Street: Yoga Zen business. Liquor license application for 104 Wells Ave. but no new business application has been received for that location. Attorney Mauhs gave update on 111 Railroad Ave.: next step is to file for Chapter 19-A Proceeding. Attorney Young/Sommer has agreed to do the filing for the Village, contingent upon signed retainer agreement. After filing, the next step will be to serve Full Moon Drycleaners and DTH.

DPW Superintendent Keyser monthly report: Was unable to attend, submitted report that was read aloud by Mayor Knight.

**Streets:**

- Plowed several small snowstorms – three in the past two weeks – but they've been kept under control.
- "New" used Ford F-350 was purchased and shipped to the Village. It's been running good so far.
- Kip & Jen helped Midtel take down candles and kissing balls on Main Street and shoveled/salted sidewalks on River Street.
- Old Midtel van used for tree/light maintenance has not been working and has caused in delays in historic lights installation.

**Water:**

- Fixed four service line breaks over the past seventeen days: two on Wells Avenue, six feet apart; one on Clauverwie; and one on Baker Avenue. The Village was close to an emergency situation with all the leaks combined. Replacing water mains and shutoffs should be a priority moving forward.
- Continuing to replace water meters. Appointments are available by calling the Village Clerk's Office; typically done on Wednesdays.

**Sewer:**

- Fixed a blockage on Baker Avenue. Solid grease was in the lines and the matter was referred to Code Enforcement.
- Pump Station at Sewer Plant keeps tripping pumps.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Young to approve water rents in the amount of \$50,319.40 and sewer rents in the amount of \$ 55,496.91. Upon a roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Young made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams, to transfer budget line-item amounts:

- A5110.8 Streets Health to A5010.1 DPW Salary \$3076.00
- F8340.8 Water Health to F8340.1 DPW Salary \$ 1373.00
- G8130.8 Sewer Health to G8110.1 DPW Salary \$ 1040.00 Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Public Comment: Mayor Knight stated he has received a few surveys back for community input on Village improvements.

Mayor Knight made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams to pay the Bills: Bills from the General Fund in the amount of \$ 92,007.86 were audited and ordered paid. Bills from the Water Fund in the amount of \$ 3,422.32 were audited and ordered paid. Bills from the Sewer Fund in the amount of \$ 2,347.90 were audited and ordered paid. Upon a roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Adams, to enter into executive session at 7:15pm to discuss ongoing litigation with the advice of Village Attorney. Upon a roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Trustee Young made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tinker to enter back into regular session at 7:34 pm. Upon roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 5-0.

Trustee Tinker made a motion, seconded by Trustee Young to empower Mayor Knight to fill seasonal part-time laborer position upon recommendation of the Personnel Committee. Upon a roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Correspondence:1/3/25 letter Board Elections re: Terms; 1/8/25 letter Greene Bank re: dormant acct; 1/10/25 Application re: Alcoholic Beverage License Old Bar and Grill, LLC; 1/15/25 Charter Comm. re: channels; 1/21/25 letter Gross Tax re: Time Warner, IDT Corp, BP Energy; 1/24/25 Certificate Liability re: Valley Contractors; 1/29/25 letter Charter Comm re: Channel changes. 12/30/25 Boa Windows Ins; Carver's name changes to Heidelberg Material Northeast.

Trustee Young made a motion, seconded by Trustee Tinker, to adjourn at 7:35pm. Upon a roll call vote, this motion was unanimously carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Melanie Laraway - Clerk.