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VILLAGE OF CAYUGA HEIGHT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONTHLY MEETING

April 16th 2025
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Conway, (Via Zoom) Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton; Fire Superintendent Tamborelle, Treasurer Dolch, Police Chief Wright; Superintendent of Public Works Cross, Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder; Village Attorney Shah; Village Clerk Walker.

Absent: Trustee Robinson

1. Call to Order: Mayor Woodard calls the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2a. Approval of the March 19, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes (Exhibit 2026-009)

Resolution: 9830

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the March 19, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

Motion: Trustee Biloski

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

2b. Approval of the April 1, 2025, Organizational Meeting Minutes (Exhibit 2026-010)

Resolution: 9831

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves the April 1, 2025, Organizational Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

Motion: Trustee Biloski

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

3. Report of Fire Superintendent Tamborelle: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2026-011)

•Fire Superintendent Tamborelle states that the Annual Installation Dinner is next Saturday at the RaNic Golf

Club.

- Fire Superintendent Tamborelle states that the bunker kitchen project is moving forward. He was able to purchase and take delivery of the appliances. B & W agreed to delay the payment until June.

4. Privilege of the Floor: No members of the Public wish to speak.

5. Report of Treasurer Dolch: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2026-012)

- Treasurer Dolch states that the March bank-to-book reconciliations are complete.

- Treasurer Dolch states that she has completed all the required ARPA funds reports and has submitted them to New York State

- Treasurer Dolch states that the only other action item she has tonight is Abstract 11.

Approval of Abstract 11:

Resolution: 9832

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees authorizes and approves Abstract # 11 for FYE 2025, consisting of TA vouchers 82-89 in the amount of \$17,004.09 and Consolidated Fund vouchers 782-851 in the amount of \$390,285.34, and the Treasurer is instructed to make payments thereon.

Motion: Trustee Rennekamp

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

6. Report of Mayor Woodard:

a. Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law C of 2025:

- Mayor Woodard opens the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

- No members of the Public wish to speak.

- Mayor Woodard closes the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Resolution: 9833

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW C OF 2025

DRAFT

A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Cayuga Heights as follows:

Section 1 Legislative Intent: It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Cayuga Heights to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2025 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the tax levy limit as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 2 Authority: This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c which expressly authorizes a local governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3 Tax Levy Limit Override: The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cayuga Heights, County of Tompkins, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing in 2025 that requires a real property tax levy over the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4 Severability: If a court determines that any clause sentence paragraph subdivision or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person firm or corporation or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional the court order or judgment shall not affect impair or invalidate the remainder of this local law but shall be confined in its operation to the clause sentence paragraph subdivision or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person individual firm or corporation or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5 Effective Date: This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing in the office of the New York State Secretary of State, except that it shall be effective from the date of its service as against a person served with a copy thereof, certified by the Village Clerk, and showing the date of its passage and entry in the Minutes of the Village Board of Trustees.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees authorizes and approves the adoption of Proposed Local Law C of the year 2025 as Local Law 3 of the year 2025.

Motion: Trustee Rennekamp

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

b. Public Hearing on Proposed Budget for Sewer and Water Funds.

•Mayor Woodard opens the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

- No members of the Public wish to speak.
- Mayor Woodard closes the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.
- Mayor Woodard states that the Village WWTP Committee and the Village Finance Committee both met and recommended that we increase the sewer rate this June by 25%. This increase is necessary to support the debt service for the plant upgrades.
- Mayor Woodard states that she has written to all the municipalities that use the plant and informed them of this increase.
- Trustee Conway would like clarification on where the extra \$200,000 in revenue from state aid comes from.
- Treasurer Dolch states that this is a subsidy that the Village gets from EFC by financing the debt on the Village WWTP. We have to show the revenue and expenditure, so it is not revenue. The exact numbers are shown on the debt spreadsheet.

Resolution: 9834

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees authorizes and approves the adoption of the Proposed FYE 2025-2026 Annual "G" fund Budget and directs Village Treasurer Dolch to certify this budget with the New York State Comptroller's Office.

Motion: Trustee Hubbell

Second: Trustee Biloski

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

- Mayor Woodard states that the water budget is a little more straightforward. The main decrease in fund balance for this account is due to us setting up a \$150,000 reserve fund for a future water infrastructure project and lead water services.
- B. Cross states that we might use a small part of that money for the design phase of this project. This will allow us to apply for grants in the future.

Resolution: 9835

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees authorizes and approves the adoption of the Proposed FYE 2025-2026 Annual "F" fund Budget and directs Village Treasurer Dolch to certify this budget with the New York State Comptroller's Office.

Motion: Trustee Biloski

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton
Nays: none
Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

c. Schedule a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law D of the year 2025- Annual Sewer Rate.

•Mayor Woodard states that we will be holding a public hearing at the May Village of Cayuga Heights Board Meeting. As presented, this is a 25% increase for all users.

Resolution: 9836

VILLAGE OF CAYUGA HEIGHTS

DRAFT

LOCAL LAW D OF THE YEAR 2025

A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE ANNUAL SEWER RATES, AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE XII, SEWER RENTS, OF THE VILLAGE OF CAYUGA HEIGHTS ARTICLES

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Cayuga Heights as follows:

Section I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Local Law is to establish annual sewer rates of \$6.32/1000 gallons consumed for inside users and a rate of \$9.48/1000 gallons used for outside users, as defined in Article XII, Sewer Rents, of the Village of Cayuga Heights Articles.

Section II. AUTHORITY

This Local Law is enacted pursuant to the grant of powers of local governments provided for in (i) Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law to adopt and amend local laws not inconsistent with the provisions of the New York State Constitution or not inconsistent with any general law relating to its property, affairs, government or other subjects provided for in said Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, (ii) General Municipal Law Article 14-F, (iii) General Municipal Law Sections 451 and 452, and (iv) Village Law Article 14.

Section III. ESTABLISHMENT OF SEWER RATES

As of June 1, 2025, annual sewer rates shall be established at a rate of \$6.32/1000 gallons used for treatment of wastewater originating from properties located within the Village and a rate of \$9.48/1000 gallons used for treatment of wastewater originating from properties located outside of the Village.

Section IV. SUPERSEDING EFFECT

All Local Laws, resolutions, rules, regulations, and other enactments of the Village of Cayuga Heights in conflict with the provisions of this Local Law are hereby superseded to the extent necessary to give this Local Law full force and effect.

Section V. VALIDITY

The invalidity of any provision of this Local Law shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this Local Law that can be given effect without such invalid provision.

Section VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing in the office of the New York State Secretary of State, except that it shall be effective from the date of its service as against a person served with a copy thereof, certified by the Village Clerk, and showing the date of its passage and entry in the Minutes of the Village Board of Trustees.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees does hereby schedule a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law D of the year 2025 for May 21, 2025, at 7:05 p.m.

Motion: Trustee Rennekamp

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

- Trustee Conway states that he cannot get the numbers to match up from what we have stated earlier in the sewer budget. There seems to be a math error in the proposed budget on the revenue side. The internuncial government charges in the spreadsheet reflect a 35%, not 25%, as presented in this new sewer rate.
- Treasurer Dolch states that those numbers came from a spreadsheet the Mayor Woodard that reflected a smaller sewer rate increase.
- Trustee Rennekamp states that after the last Village Finance Committee we were not neutral on the sewer fund.
- Trustee Rennekamp states that we will have to look into this further, just to make sure the numbers reflect the right percentage of rate increase and how that connects to the revenue side.
- Trustee Salton states that we need to have the right numbers. Can this be discussed at the May meeting when we vote on the sewer rate increase?
- Treasurer Dolch states that we need to double-check Linda's numbers and make sure they are correct. In the meantime, we can pass the sewer budget as presented.

Motion Carried

d. Village Annual Historian's Report: Village Historian B. Szekely presents her report to the Board and summarizes the following.

- Village Historian B. Szekely passes around the very first Village Bond from 1918 when the Village widened and

paved Highland Road.

- Village Historian B. Szekely states that much of her efforts in 2027 were promoting her new book, University Suburb, Founding the Village of Cayuga Heights in Ithaca, New York.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that she appreciated being able to use the Village Courtroom for her book talk that took place on March 16th, 2025, to an overflow crowd. Their enthusiasm was testimony to the keen interest villages have in our community. It felt very much like a neighborly gathering.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that she has sold over half of 200 copies of her book.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that several real estate agents have talked to me about their interests in particular neighborhoods, streets, and individual houses mentioned in the book.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that Planning Board Chair F. Cowett asked me about early tree planting in the Village, which led me back into notes taken from my research at Cornell University.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that other municipal historians and members of a group of local historians convened by C. Kammen expressed interest and raised questions about the content of the book. Best of all, a few new residents have told me the book helps them feel more at home in Cayuga Heights.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that outside the Village, the book has enjoyed interest at the History Center and Historic Ithaca.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that in April of 2025, she assisted Deputy Clerk Perkins in an interview for the Village eNewsBlast.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that she has been in touch with Diane (Dee) Heasley Van Dyke (Daughter of Walter Heasley) who built the Corners Community Shopping Center in 1947. B. Szekely did an oral history interview in 2017.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that in closing, she is planning more Village tours, public presentations, and writing a story on the Village annexation for our annual newsletter.
 - Trustee Salton states that he was the paper delivery person for Heasley's when he was younger.
 - Village Historian B. Szekely states that one of the reasons they developed the Corner Community Shopping Center was to provide services to Village residents.
 - Trustee Hubbell states that we should do an oral history on Bea herself.
- e. Village Annual Justice Report:** Village Court Clerk Penny Grant was present to answer any Board questions on the 2024 report.
- Village Court Clerk P. Grant states that Exhibit 2026-017 shows the 2024 court numbers. The court collected \$62,806 in fines, \$40,446 in surcharges, and \$40 in civil fees.

- Mayor Woodard states that she would like to know how much revenue the Village gets to keep.
- Village Court Clerk P. Grant states that most of the money collected is from traffic tickets. There are so many variables with fines and fees that it's difficult to have an exact number.
- Chief Wright states that it is interesting to see commercial transportation fines are much larger than the V/T law fines, especially considering there are far less frequent NYSDOT Commercial traffic campaigns.
- Village Court Clerk P. Grant states that most of the NYSDOT fines start at \$500.
- Treasurer Dolch states that we usually are able to keep 24-45% of the total court fees.
- Trustee Salton states that the numbers look higher compared to previous years.
- Village Court Clerk P. Grant states that she cannot state where the court will be at the end of 2025, but she continues to work on the tremendous backlog left by the previous court clerk.
- Mayor Woodard states that we all appreciate her efforts and are excited to have her part of the Village team.
- Village Court Clerk P. Grant states that she was successful in obtaining a JCAP award of \$1600 for a new shredder and office desk.

f. Village Arbor Day Proclamation: The Village has declared April 26, 2025, as Arbor Day in the Village of Cayuga Heights.

- Mayor Woodard states that we will be planting a tree at Marcham Hall as part of this celebration.

Resolution: 9837

WHEREAS, Arbor Day was created in 1872 in Nebraska as a special day for planting and celebrating trees and is now celebrated throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, trees provide important benefits in urban communities such as shade and cooler temperatures, cleaner air and water, increased property values, and habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Cayuga Heights has been certified as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in recognition of its commitment to protecting its trees and woodlands; now

THEREFORE, I, Linda Woodard, Mayor of the Village of Cayuga Heights, on behalf of Village residents and the Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim Saturday April 26, 2025 as Arbor Day in the Village of Cayuga Heights and urge all residents to protect and improve our environment and create a greener, healthier community by planting and caring for trees.

Motion: Trustee Hubbell

Second: Trustee Rennekamp

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

g. Updated Job Descriptions: The Village HR Committee thought it would be better to add language to define the hours of work expected for the professional staff.

- Trustee Biloski states that this came out of the discussion of the hours of work for Village Clerk Walker. Most of the language in the current job descriptions is the same, except for the statement of which positions are 35 and which are 40 work weeks.

- B. Cross states that he was not aware of these changes to his job description. It seems odd that a salaried position would be identified in this way unless the function is to calculate benefits.

- Trustee Biloski states that the idea was to make clear who worked at what hours.

- B. Cross states that he is not objecting to the changes, just that it is a surprise to hear this without actually consulting the staff.

- B. Cross states that there are many times he works more than forty hours and does not expect to be compensated. On the other hand, if something comes up and he leaves early, then he has the right to leave without being penalized.

- Trustee Hubbell states that we could just label the position as a forty-hour-a-week salaried position.

- Trustee Salton states that this should live in an employee handbook document, not the job description.

- Mayor Woodard states that she is meeting with a potential labor lawyer tomorrow and can raise this question.

- Clerk Walker states that it is more likely to be in the handbook, but cannot recall what section.

- Mayor Woodard states that we will table this discussion for now.

h. Garbage Tag Price Increase: Tipping costs have increased tremendously over the last few years.

- Mayor Woodard states that we are buying a new garbage truck, fuel is going up, salaries are going up, and everything is incredibly expensive. The tags have been eighteen dollars since 2019. She proposes an increase to twenty dollars a sheet.

- Mayor Woodard states that we will also be eliminating the discount (.50 a sheet) on Tops and Wegmans, which we do not know why that was started.

- Trustee Rennekamp states that at the Village Finance Committee Meeting and discussions at the Village Organizational Meeting, we were going to look into why we were giving a discount and eliminating the weight from 15 lbs. per tag.

- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works A. Cowder states that he rode around the Village last week and reports that just as many people are using too many tags as some are not using enough.

- Clerk Walker states that Tops orders two hundred sheets at a time while Wegmans orders one hundred. The Village office sells around 30 sheets a month.

Resolution: 9838

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees approves and authorizes increasing the Village Garbage Tags to twenty dollars (\$20) a sheet, effective June 1, 2025.

Motion: Trustee Biloski

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

7. Report of the Trustees:

a. Village Finance Committee Update:

- Trustee Rennekamp states that we reviewed the sewer and water budgets, and as we discussed earlier, there is an error in the math for the revenues in the sewer fund. We will have to change that at the May meeting.

- Trustee Rennekamp states that we also talked about a change in the format of using our spreadsheets. And we will seek to change the guidance we give department heads.

b. Village Public Safety Committee Updates:

- Trustee Conway states that we discussed budgets and the process.

- Trustee Conway states that we learned that the police department is working with a grant-seeking company that would help find funding for upgrades, projects, and even vehicles.

- Trustee Conway states that more donations have been received.

- Trustee Conway states that the Flock Camera system will soon be live. There are a couple of permit issues that need to be ironed out between Chief Wright and B. Cross.

- Trustee Conway states that the department might be looking at filling a couple of part-time officer positions.

8. Report of Superintendent of Public Works Cross: (Exhibit 2026-020)

- B. Cross states that he has two action items tonight. One approves the Storm Water Annual Report (MS4) and the

other approves a county resolution.

- B. Cross states that he always likes to thank the staff at the Tompkins County Soil and Water Commission for their help with this report.

- B. Cross states that in the future, there will be stormwater testing and other technical reviews. He hopes that we can work with CSI to conduct this work.

Resolution: 9839

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees authorizes and approves accepting the completed Stormwater Report (MS4) and authorizes Mayor Woodard to sign and submit to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Motion: Trustee Biloski

Second: Trustee Rennekamp

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

- B. Cross states that Tompkins County has hired a firm to conduct an intermunicipal traffic study, supporting this resolution would allow us to seek grants in the future from Safe Streets for All. (Exhibit 2026-021)

- B. Cross states that the resolution commits the Village to use the Vision Zero concept to reduce pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and or death.

- Trustee Hubbell states that it is interesting that this resolution is asking for more than what seems to be the focus of public safety.

- B. Cross states that he can reach out to the county and see about modifications to the resolution before the Board decides to vote.

- Mayor Woodard states that we will table this discussion until B. Cross can get more information on the wording of this resolution.

- B. Cross states that on the Flock Camera topic, there will be four locations with some kind of reader device. We do not allow private businesses to put up in the Village Right of Way without some kind of easement or agreement.

- B. Cross states that Flock Camera Systems came back with a different proposal. One in which we would own the equipment, and Flock would just do the maintenance. They have now applied for a permit to work in the Village Right of Way for a fee of fifty dollars plus a one-thousand-dollar security deposit.

- Chief Wright would like to move this forward whichever way is quickest.

- Trustee Conway states that we are establishing a long-term relationship with Flock; therefore, he does not feel it is necessary to require the one-thousand-dollar security deposit.
- Mayor Woodard asks if we ever make someone pay the security deposit.
- B. Cross states that we had a situation where a contractor broke a sewer lateral, and we used that money to cover the repair costs.
- B. Cross states that if he had the authority to do so, he would have waived the fee and security deposit and not spent the time discussing the process.
- Chief Wright states that for clarification, there will be three poles, and one camera will go on our pole in the median on North Triphammer Road. The others will be installed on the Triphammer and Hanshaw Road intersection, Pleasant Grove Road, and one at the Village line on Hanshaw Road.
- Chief Wright states that a majority of the county and city cameras are up and running. We actually had two incidents that we assisted with on a burglary in progress and another with shots fired called down by Ithaca High School. With the cameras, we could have captured a plate and aided with the investigation.
- Chief Wright states that one thing to remember is that these cameras are solely for the purpose of investigations.
- Mayor Woodard states that we will need a resolution to waive the security deposit for this project.

Resolution: 9840

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Village of Cayuga Heights Board of Trustees authorizes and approves waiving the one-thousand-dollar security deposit from Flock Camera Systems to work in the Village Right of Way to place our camera poles and mount cameras.

Motion: Trustee Rennekamp

Second: Trustee Hubbell

Ayes: Mayor Woodard; Trustees: Biloski, Hubbell, Rennekamp, and Salton

Nays: none

Abstentions: none

Motion Carried

- B. Cross states that there has been some activity on the Cayuga Heights Road Sidewalk Project. Hunt Engineers has produced a report called Smart Growth Form, which has now been submitted to NYSDOT. This will accompany the engineering report.
- B. Cross states that we now need to convince NYSDOT that it will not take over a year to complete the easement process for this project.
- B. Cross states that since this is a federally funded project, there is another layer that might require the Village to

offer or pay a resident for use/modification to the land affected by this project. He does not know how this is all going to play out.

- B. Cross states that everyone will have to sign this document, whether or not they ask for compensation. He feels the federal government just wants to eliminate being exposed in any way.
- Trustee Salton states that this requirement would only be for areas outside of the Village Right of Way, correct?
- B. Cross states that it is correct; we are not even taking anyone's land. We are only looking for permission to put a structure on their land to work or send workers to their land.
- B. Cross states that he also has an update on the WWTP Phase 3 project. We had submitted an EFC intended use application for 2026. We are going to request that we move our application to the multi-year list, which will cover us in future years.

9. Report of Police Chief Wright: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2026-022)

- Chief Wright states that he is excited to get the Flock cameras up and running. As a reminder, the purchase of those items was from grants or donations.
- Chief Wright states that the new AXON body-worn cameras will arriving mid-May. The Village is the first department to use them in New York State.
- Chief Wright states that to build on Trustee Conway's comments about grants, we are now working with [Grant Champs](#) whom he has built a personal relationship on other projects, to assist the Village of Cayuga Heights Police Department with finding sources of funding.
- Chief Wright states that we look forward to moving forward with this program and building on finding new sources of funding.
- Chief Wright states that there will be a lot of different enforcement campaigns coming up this spring. The department will continue to perform commercial motor vehicle checks, as all can see, it brings in far more revenue than regular V/T tickets.

10. Report of Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2026-023)

- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder states that he has completed his New York State Code Enforcement training and is permitted to perform all duties associated with this license.
- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder states that the DPW Staff did a full week of tree and brush cleanup after that major storm, which filled 9 truckloads.
- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder states that two lead water lines will be laid this month. The cost estimates are around two to three thousand dollars.

- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder states that we are still collecting applications for a summer helper and full-time laborer.
- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder states that he has also completed the Civil Service Exam as required for his position. The test went well, and results will be available in four to six weeks.
- Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Cowder states we found out yesterday that the surplus truck and box that went to auction brought in \$38500.00. We recovered all the expenses from purchasing a new truck and have a little left over.
- Mayor Woodard states that she will be meeting with the DPW staff on April 24, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. to noon to start the contract negotiations.

11. Report of Clerk Walker: Submitted Report (Exhibit 2026-024)

- Clerk Walker states that Deputy Clerk Perkins is in Las Vegas attending the Laserfiche Empowerment Expo. She is eager to enhance the form side of our permits and processes.
- Clerk Walker states that we have already completed most of the landscape work for Marcham Hall. Thanks to Anytime Landscaping and owner Tom Whittle.
- Clerk Walker states that the Village property taxes preparation is underway, and we hope to have tax bills in-house for mailing the second week in May.
- Village Attorney O. Shad states that he has a question on the language of the proposed local law of the year 2025, as the final language is different than other `

12. Report of Attorney O. Shah: No report at this time, but he would like clarification on the final language in Proposed Local Law C of the year 2025. The language in the last section describes how we submit our local law to the Secretary of State.

- Clerk Walker states that this was a Board discussion based on a recommendation from Ithaca Attorney and Village resident P Walsh on what wording should be included in our local laws. This particular language must have crossed over since this local law is presented each year.
- Clerk Walker needs to add that language to the final draft to be consistent.

13. Adjournment: Mayor Woodard adjourns the meeting at 8:58 p.m.