

Village of South Glens Falls
46 Saratoga Avenue, South Glens Falls, NY 12803
April 2, 2025
Regular Village Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Village Board Meeting
MAYOR NICHOLAS BODKIN PRESIDING
Minutes

Attendance:

Mayor Bodkin
Trustee Carota
Trustee Girard
Trustee Gutheil
Trustee Orlow
Attorney Bill Nikas
Alan Dubois
Patricia Girard
Tim Pease
Nick
Alex Portal

Deputy Clerk Treasurer Lorie Gollhofer
Deputy Treasurer Molly DeVaux
DPW Superintendent TJ Chagnon
Pam Friers
Joe Friers
Claude Middleton
Hailey Dubois
Ken Scherl
Dennis Davall
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The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Elect/Trustee Orlow thanked Mayor Bodkin for his 4 years of service as Mayor. Mayor Bodkin recognized Trustee Gutheil's years of service - 4 years as Trustee and 4 years as Mayor, Trustee Girard's years of service - 12 years, Trustee Carota has had the longest service on the Village Board.

Public Forum

- Pam Friers - Leland Street: Mrs. Friers recognized Tony Girard's years of service and representation of the Village. She also recognized Harry Gutheil as a strong resource of Village information, and congratulated Joe Orlow as the new Mayor Elect. She is looking forward to the future of the Village. Also, an additional recognition to TJ Chagnon and the DPW crew for all they do for the Village.
- Dennis Duvall - Main Street: He has filed 5 complaints and wanted to make sure the Building & Codes Officer Report is included with the agenda.
- Ken Sherl, 46 Harrison Ave.: Mr. Sherl requested a follow up from the last meeting regarding the 48 Harrison Ave property issue. Trustee Orlow, after the swearing-in ceremony, will be meeting with Sherl and Nikas regarding further action.

1. Grant Projects Update

- a. **Carbon Filtration:** Carbon media is currently out to bid. An email was



sent to the Board regarding electrical service upgrade email. TJ advised he is currently still waiting on catwalk quotes for access to the top of the carbon vessels.

- b. **GIGP:** The project has narrowed down to the meters not reading and updating issues.
- c. **CDBG Grant update:** We are currently waiting for OCR to issue the release of funds.

2. **Motion 040225-1 to approve the transfers with the amendment of the transfer of \$7,549.79 from NYCLASS HRA Reserve account to A9060.811:** Trustee Orlow motioned, and Trustee Carota seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

a.	A 5142.100	A 5142.800	\$450.00	Snow Removal FICA
	FX 8320.405	FX 8320.403	\$81.98	Water Pump Repairs
	A 3120. 100	A 3120.103	\$20,000.00	P.S. Part Time P.D.
	A 1990.400	A 9060.811	\$7,549.79	HRA

3. **Motion 040225-2 to approve the Bills and Payroll as Audited:** Trustee Orlow motioned, and Trustee Carota seconded. Trustee Orlow - yes, Trustee Girard - yes, Trustee Carota - yes, Trustee Gutheil - abstain, Mayor Bodkin - yes, motion passed.

- a. General - \$16,201.73
- b. Water - \$9,901.10
- c. Sewer - \$1,198.95
- d. Payroll:
 - i. \$23,082.07
 - ii. \$28,316.41

4. **Motion 040225-3 to approve meeting minutes 03/19/25:** Trustee Girard motioned, and Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
5. **Motion 040225-4 to receive and File DPW, PD, Animal Control and Buildings & Codes March monthly reports:** Trustee Girard motioned, and Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
6. **Motion 040225-5 when funds are received, they go into the HRA Reserve Fund to be distributed to the 878 reserve account:** Trustee Girard motioned, and Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
Discussion: Forensic auditors made the determination that the Village is due a refund by our prior TPA institution in the amount of \$65,225.
7. **Motion 040225-6 to approve the Common Roots Foundation Run 6/14/25:** Trustee Orlow motioned, Trustee Girard seconded. All in favor, motion passed
Discussion: TJ Chagnon provided an alternate map due to the upcoming National Grid construction that may affect their route. Lorie Gollhofer to distribute to Common Roots, DPW, and Police Dept. upon Board approval.

8. Old Business

- Trustee Gutheil reported that the NYCLASS Report shows the Village still has a bridge lighting reserve of \$42,774, and those bills have been paid. He suggests the Village put it into a tax stabilization reserve fund. TJ Chagnon replied that there are light bulbs that have not been changed out and it's been scheduled. If there is additional money, Attorney Nikas will look at the resolution wording.
- Trustee Gutheil reported in the PFAS Class Action Lawsuit Claim that the Village could ask for additional funds. If a claim can be put in, it could only be for future out-of-pocket costs.
- The 3-truck purchase order has been approved. TJ Chagnon asks if the Board could sign so he can move forward. There was a prior motion that approves the purchase of one truck that needs to be researched for encumbered monies. This has to be rescinded and then amended by the Board before moving forward.
- Trustee Gutheil had questions of monies in NYCLASS Reserve: \$61,600 budgeted in the A Fund, additional money appropriated for HRA Reserve, and another \$80,000 to put into that fund. Is the additional \$80,000 needed? Questions on raises in the new budget and addressing. Due to the budget being published for a public hearing, it could not be addressed.

9. New Business

- DPW needs Office 360. Currently waiting on Storedtech for a quote for 3 licenses.

10. Trustee Reports

- Trustee Girard thanked the public for being able to serve them for the last 12 years.
- Trustee Gutheil thanked the public for his years of service and the employees he had the opportunity to work with.

11. Mayor's Report

- Mayor Bodkin thanked the Village for his years of service and thanked the new officials, Trustee Elect Middleton and Trustee Elect Comstock, coming into office. Congratulations to Mayor Orlow and thanks to the team of employees' commitment to the job.

Motion 040225-7 to adjourn the Regular Village Board Meeting: Mayor Bodkin motioned, Trustee Orlow seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

