

Village of Coxsackie

Workshop Minutes

February 4, 2025

The Workshop Meeting was called to order by Mayor Mark Evans at 6:00 p.m. Present were Trustee Donald Daoust, Trustee Katlyn Irwin, and Trustee Deidre Meier. Trustee Rodney Levine was absent.

Water & Sewer Requests

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board has received a request from Eugene Dickson, of 39 Noble Street, requesting an adjustment to his water/sewer bill after finding a water leak. His current water/sewer bill is \$177.08.

After deliberation, it was determined that a reduction in the water/sewer bill will not be given. However, they will offer Mr. Dickson a payment plan of paying half in the month of February, and half in the month of March, without incurring penalties, in order to pay down the balance of \$177.08. This will be added as an agenda item at the next Board Meeting on February 10th.

Banking Discussion

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to have a discussion on future banking for the Village of Coxsackie.

Accounting Services Discussion

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to have a discussion on putting out a Request for Proposal for accounting services. He said that the Town of Coxsackie uses RBT Accounting out of Hudson, and has good things to say about them.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item for approval at the next Board Meeting on February 10th.

DOT Resolution for Paving

Mayor Evans stated that the NYS Department of Transportation needs a resolution passed by the Village Board to adjust our water valves on Mansion Street and Washington Avenue when they repave. Hopefully this will happen this summer.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item for approval at the next Board Meeting on February 10th.

Teamsters (DPW Union) MOU for Contract

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to review and consider approving the Memorandum of Agreement on terms for a new 3 year Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Teamsters union, representing the Department of Public Works.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item for approval at the next Board Meeting on February 10th.

Capital Bicycle Club (Brinkerhoff Races)

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board has received a letter from the Capital Bicycle Club requesting assistance with the Annual Brinkerhoff Races on April 12, 2025.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item for approval at the next Board Meeting on February 10th.

Dog Park

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board will be looking to hold public meetings in order to form a Dog Park group in the next several weeks.

Mayor Evans left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Department Head Monthly Reports

The following Department heads came in at their respective scheduled times to give their monthly report: Clerk Nikki Berezna, Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator David Varade, Police Chief Samuel Mento, Water Superintendent Adelord Preville, and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Ragaini.

The following Department heads were excused: Department of Public Works Superintendent Scott Martell, Fire Chief Stephen Salluce, Jr., Planning Board Chairman Robert Van Valkenburg, Jr., Historic Preservation Commission Chairperson Patricia Maxwell, and Dog Control Officer Sherry Vieta.

All Department head monthly reports are on file with the Village Clerk.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Meier. Trustee Daoust voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Nikki Berezna
Clerk