

**VILLAGE OF COXSACKIE  
BOARD MINUTES  
July 14, 2025**

Mayor Mark Evans called the Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were Trustee Christopher Hanse, Trustee Katlyn Irwin, Trustee Rodney Levine, and Trustee Deidre Meier.

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2025 Workshop Meeting was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Mayor Evans voted yes. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Irwin and Trustee Meier abstained. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2025 Local Law #2 of 2025 Public Hearing Minutes was made by Trustee Hanse and seconded by Trustee Meier. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2025 Board Meeting was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Meier. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

**Correspondence Received**

A letter was received from Attorney Matthew Griesemer of the Hudson Valley Law Partners, representing Piedmont Development Group and Hugh Horner, who owns 18 Riverside Avenue, asking the Board to consider re-zoning the location so it can be used for short-term rentals, or to grandfather the location in order to do so.

An email was received from Don Rittner asking if the Village would consider a coordinated fireworks display for the July 4<sup>th</sup>, 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary next year.

**Liaisons & Board Reports**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board will dispense with the reading of the monthly department head reports, but that all monthly reports are on file with the Village Clerk.

**Motions & Resolutions**

A motion to deny the request received from Attorney Matthew Griesemer of the Hudson Valley Law Partners, on behalf of Piedmont Development Group and Hugh Horner, for 18 Riverside Avenue, to allow it to be used for a short-term rental, and deny grandfathering the location in order to allow it to do so was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve signing the lease agreement with Robert H. Finke & Sons, Inc. for a S76 T4 Bobcat Skid Steer Loader in the total amount of \$57,156.95 was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve authorizing the Village to go out to bond for a 2024 Dodge Durango (WDEE75) Pursuit AWD Police Department car in the total amount of \$64,475.37 was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve renewing the appointment of Chris Fisher to the Historic Preservation Commission for a 2-Year Term (7/2025-7/2027) was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the request received from Clerk Nikki Berezna to sell back 2 weeks of vacation time was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No. 102025-Pro-Housing Communities Resolution. Mayor Evans voted yes. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The resolution passed.

A motion to approve the June 2025 monthly Treasurer's Report was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board has received a Scope of Services from Delaware Engineering, D.P.C., for Code Enforcement and Building Inspection Support Services, in relation to the NYS Department of State investigation of the James Newbury Hotel. He is hoping to approve this Scope of Services tonight, in an effort to not delay any work to be done. |

The Board Members deliberated on the Scope of Work, Schedule, Exclusions, and Professional Services Fee listed in the document.

After deliberation, it was determined that the Village Board would like to move forward with Delaware Engineering's services in this capacity.

A motion to approve the Code Enforcement and Building Inspection Support Services dated July 14, 2025, received from Delaware Engineering, D.P.C., was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve water/sewer adjustments for the month of June 1-30, 2025 was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Meier. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the bills on General Fund Abstract #2, vouchers 22-100 totaling \$172,085.15; Water Fund Abstract #2, vouchers 8-46 totaling \$55,349.01; Sewer Fund Abstract #2, vouchers 8-43 totaling \$65,310.83; Owl Project Fund Abstract #2, vouchers 58-61 totaling \$596.34; Capital Projects Fund Abstract #2, vouchers 1-3 totaling \$75,483.54; and Trust & Agency Fund Abstract #2, vouchers 1-2 totaling \$2,900.50 was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Meier. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

### **Public Comment Period**

Mayor Evans stated that there was an emergency sewer repair on Riverside Avenue. After getting prices from both Wolfe and Van Etten, Van Etten came in cheaper. The Village purchased the pipe, because we get a discount and pay no tax. This work was done today, along with the catch basin that the Village intended to put in. Mayor Evans stated that he would like to remind everyone that the Yard Sale Weekend is this weekend, Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on both days. Mayor Evans stated that milling on Appleblossom

Lane, upper Ely Street, Noble Street, Riverside Avenue, Van Dyck Street, and Van Dyck Street Extension is scheduled for this Thursday and Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup> and July 18<sup>th</sup>, with paving to occur early next week. The paving is weather dependent. Although the roads will be milled down, they will be open for the weekend.

No further public comments were offered.

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Irwin. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nikki Berezna", written in black ink. The signature is fluid and extends across the width of the page.

Nikki Berezna  
Clerk