

Village of Coxsackie

Budget Work Session/Workshop Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2026

The Budget Work Session was called to order by Mayor Mark Evans at 6:00 p.m. Present were Trustee Christopher Hanse, Trustee Rodney Levine and Trustee Deidre Meier. Trustee Katlyn Irwin was absent.

**Correspondence Received**

A letter was received from Israel African Methodist Church inviting the Mayor to their Western Conference reception on April 28, 2026 at the Israel AME Church in Albany.

A letter was received from Rose Craw, of 138 South River Street, regarding some streetlights that are out, potholes in the area, and cleaning of drains.

A letter was received from Albright & Sons, LLC advising the Village that they would match State bid pricing for fuel oil.

A letter was received from Carol Ann Luccio, of 48 Mansion Street, requesting the Village Board consideration of grandfathering her residence as a Short-Term Rental.

**Lead Service Line Inventory**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to consider hiring a summer intern to complete the Lead Service Line Inventory.

**Battery Storage Facility**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to review a draft Local Law banning Battery Storage Facilities in the village.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item at the next Board Meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Carol Ann Luccio**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to consider Carol Ann Luccio's request to approve grandfathering her residence at 48 Mansion Street as a Short-Term Rental.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item at the next Board Meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

**New DPW Garage**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to schedule a Public Hearing for SEQR for the new DPW garage location.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item at the next Board Meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

**NYS Comptroller's Audit**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to approve the Village's response to the NYS Comptroller's Audit.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item at the next Board Meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Water Tanks**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to approve the change order received from Delaware Engineering, on behalf of Arold Construction, in the amount of \$5,913,722.50, from \$5,747,700.00, due to increased costs in the boring of pylons for the Water Tank project.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be added as an agenda item at the next Board Meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **Holiday Decorations**

Trustee Meier stated that she has compared a few different companies this year in order to find the best value and price for pole lights and a large wreath for the Village Building. She would recommend going with Mosca Design at a \$457.20 per unit, total price for 5 - \$2,286.00, a warranty of 5 years, 6' front of building wreath with led lights and traditional ornament package- \$853.20, Red Bow with gold trim 3' 4 loop - \$131.34, wreath total- \$984.54, total for 5 pole snowflakes and wreath-\$3,270.54. She said that not only are their prices better, but they have a 5-year warranty. For municipalities they give Net 30 terms upon approval. The total price may vary in the end by going with varying pole designs. These prices are valid until 4/28.

After deliberation, it was determined that this will be approved.

### **Budget**

Mayor Evans stated that the Village Board needs to review the draft budget and consider salary increases for the Superintendent of Public Works, Water Superintendent, Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, Department of Public Works Laborer, and Wastewater Department Laborer.

Trustee Katlyn Irwin arrived at 7:00 p.m.

The following Department heads came in at their respective scheduled times to go over their Capital requests of their Department Budget lines: Police Chief, Samuel Meno, and Fire Chief, Stephen Salluce, Jr.

A motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. to discuss Fire Department personnel issues 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 come out of Executive Session and return to the regular Budget Work Session/Workshop Meeting at 8:32 p.m. was made by Trustee Meier and seconded by Trustee Irwin. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. Trustee Meier voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the 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 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nikki Berezna", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nikki Berezna  
Clerk