

VILLAGE OF COXSACKIE
BOARD MINUTES
May 11, 2026

Mayor Mark Evans called the Board Meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. Present were Trustee Christopher Hanse, Trustee Katlyn Irwin, and Trustee Rodney Levine. Trustee Deidre Meier was absent.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 2, 2026 Budget Work Session was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 6, 2026 Organizational 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 abstained. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 9, 2026 Budget Work Session/Workshop Meeting was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2026 Board Meeting was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2026 Local Law #1 of 2026 Public Hearing was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2026 Proposed Tentative Budget Public Hearing was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 16, 2026 Budget Work Session was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

Correspondence Received

A Notification to Municipality Form was received from the Office of Cannabis Management notifying the Village of Organic Relief Solutions New York, LLC's intent to establish a microbusiness growing facility at 69 Bailey Street.

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 approve the request received from Chris Weikel, of 2 Church Street, asking for a 6-month, penalty-free, payment plan, in order to pay down his water/sewer balance in the amount of \$2,721.87, due to broken pipes during the winter that caused a large bill was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the request received from Kimberly Bender, of 149 South River Street, asking for her water/sewer balance of \$1,126.84 to be withheld from the Tax Levy was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the request received from Jonathan Basham, on behalf of his mother, Margaret Basham, of 20 Appleblossom Lane, asking for her water/sewer balance of \$2,786.47 to be withheld from the Tax Levy, as well as a 6-month, penalty-free, payment plan, in order to pay down the balance was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve Local Law #2 of 2026-Prohibition on Utility Scale Battery Energy Storage Systems was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve going out to bid for the paving of Betke Boulevard, Hollister Street, Howard Drive, New Street, and Railroad Avenue was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken on Resolution No. 122026-Highway Garage SEQR Resolution. Mayor Evans voted yes. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The resolution passed.

A motion to approve the April 2026 monthly Treasurer's Report was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the water/sewer adjustments for the month of April 2026 was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the bills on General Fund Abstract #12, vouchers 707-754 totaling \$178,744.40; Water Fund Abstract #12, vouchers 360-377 totaling \$28,230.75; Sewer Fund Abstract #12, vouchers 323-341 totaling \$60,482.82; Heroes Banner Fund Abstract #12, vouchers 41-42 totaling \$519.62; and Owl Project Fund Abstract #12, vouchers 101-104 totaling \$404.00 was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

Public Comment Period

Trustee Irwin stated that she tried to access the link to view the cameras in Riverside Park, and it sent the Mayor a request via email. She was hoping to log in, in order to capture a screenshot.

Mayor Evans asked Trustee Irwin to try and send it to him again.

Trustee Irwin stated that the reason she wanted to log in and capture a screenshot is because she had a very strange experience that afternoon in the children's playground at Riverside Park. There was a gentleman down there inside the fenced in children's playground, that made her extremely uncomfortable. She has never seen this person before, and he was making loud and explicit phone calls on speaker phone, while in the small children's area. He did not have a child there with him. He was there alone. It was very bizarre. Trustee Irwin stated that the second question she has is if the Mayor could recap what the rules are for those that want to dig up the

road to tap into natural gas, etc.

Mayor Evans stated that generally, the Village has always said that roads should not be dug up within 5 years of paving.

Trustee Irwin stated that there are residents on Elm Street that are looking to hopefully hook up to natural gas.

Mayor Evans stated that not all of Elm Street has natural gas. That road hasn't been paved in at least 10 years ago. So, that would be fine. However, the residents need to take it up with Central Hudson.

Trustee Irwin asked if the Board could approve the request to hold the Annual Block Party on Friday, July 10th, with the road to be closed from 5:00-8:30 p.m.

A motion to approve the Annual Block Party on Friday, July 10th from 5:00-8:30 p.m., with the assistance of the Police Department to close Reed Street to vehicle traffic during that time was made by Trustee Irwin and seconded by Trustee Hanse. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

Trustee Hanse asked for the details on the Memorial Day Parade.

Mayor Evans stated that it will be earlier this year. Line-up will be at 10:00 a.m., with step-off at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 25th. The parade route will be the same as last year.

Trustee Irwin stated that once again, she witnessed a car not stop on South River Street, and almost hit a pedestrian walking. She said that there needs to be more Police presence in downtown Coxsackie. It is getting worse, not better. It's a high traffic area. She needs someone to care enough to send one of the Coxsackie Police cars down there to sit, and catch people not stopping at the stop sign.

Trustee Hanse asked if there is a specific timeframe for this happening.

Trustee Irwin stated that it is mostly during business hours. She said her last point to bring up is whether or not the Board has any thoughts on considering a moratorium on data centers.

Trustee Hanse stated that he doesn't know if there is enough room in the Village to even have one. However, he thinks that he would be supportive of some sort of moratorium on data centers.

Mayor Evans stated that he doesn't think that there is enough space in the Village to have one, but the Board can look into it.

No further public comments were offered.

A motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:41 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of potential discipline for Police Department Employee [Name Withheld] was made by Trustee Hanse and seconded by Trustee Levine. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to come out of Executive Session and return to the regular Board Meeting at 8:39 p.m. was made by Trustee Levine and seconded by Trustee Irwin. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting was made by Trustee Hanse and seconded by Trustee

Levine. Trustee Hanse voted yes. Trustee Irwin voted yes. Trustee Levine voted yes. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 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