

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
REGULAR MEETING
9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, NY 14063
June 24, 2024
7:00 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER-MAYOR FERGUSON

I call this meeting to order on Monday, June 24, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Roll Call of the Trustees:

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

TWICHELL/WANDEL

WHEREAS members of this Board have read the Official Minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of June 10, 2024 now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the minutes as entered into the Official Minutes, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

D. PUBLIC PORTION-

This portion of the meeting is for public comment. Any member of the public wishing to speak, once recognized, shall stand at the microphone, and state their name and address. Speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes if speaking for themselves or five (5) minutes if speaking on behalf of a group. I will ask the speakers to refrain from remarks that are in poor taste, slanderous, or not germane to any action taken or contemplated by the Board.

E. CORRESPONDENCE-

Correspondence dated June 1, 2024 was received from New York State Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials, requesting membership dues for the year.

BRAUCHLER/WANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village pay **Four Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$4283.00)** for its Annual 2024-2025 Membership Dues to the New York State Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials. (NYCOM)

F. MAYOR'S REPORT-

G. TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS-

**Brauchler
Espersen
Siracuse
Twichell
Wandel**

H. TREASURER'S REPORT –

I. ADDITIONAL REPORTS-

1. Fredonia Police Report for the month of May 2024.
2. Fredonia Justice Court Report for the month of May 2024.

J. RESOLUTIONS-

ESERSEN/SIRACUSE

WHEREAS, the Village of Fredonia, NY (hereinafter “local government”) believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State’s economic growth and community well-being;

WHEREAS, the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities;

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits; and

WHEREAS, we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law, but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Village of Fredonia, NY to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the ProHousing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

1. Streamlining permitting for multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.
4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.
5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

WANDEL/ESPERSEN

BE IT RESOLVED that the Schedule of Workshops and Meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia for the period of July 2024 thru December 2024, as set forth and attached to these minutes is hereby approved, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized to publish said notice in the Observer and to mail a copy of said schedule to WDOE radio, the Jamestown Post Journal and Holly Hewitt of the Buffalo News.

SIRACUSE/ESPERSEN

BE IT RESOLVED that the request from Eryssa LeBeau, Treasurer, to attend the University of Buffalo Grant Management two-day workshop on August 1 – 2, 2024 at a cost not to exceed **Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$650)** is hereby approved.

WANDEL/BRAUCHLER

BE IT RESOLVED that the request of Mayor Michael Ferguson, to attend the NYCOM Community Revitalization Conference, July 10 – 11, 2024 at the Lake Ontario Event and Conference Center in Oswego NY not to exceed **Four Hundred Dollars (\$400)**, is hereby approved.

SIRACUSE/TWICHELL

WHEREAS, the Village of Fredonia (“Village”) and CSEA, Inc. Local 1000 AFSCME AFL-CIO Village of Fredonia Unit 6313 of Local 807 (“CSEA”), are parties to a collective bargaining agreement (“Contract”), which is current and in effect; and

WHEREAS, the CSEA filed a grievance regarding overtime assignments at the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of resolving this matter without proceeding to arbitration and to acknowledge the practice previously permitted by the Village; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Village and CSEA agree to the following:

1. Section 10.02 provides that all permanent employees will have an equal opportunity for overtime and that if an employee in line refuses overtime, then the refusal will be counted as his/her turn for overtime.
2. When there are overtime opportunities at the Department of Public Works, the Supervisor will offer overtime to all permanent employees on a rotating basis to ensure that they have an equal opportunity for overtime.
3. If all operators refuse the available overtime, the Supervisor may perform the operator work that is the exclusive bargaining work of CSEA. CSEA waives any claim that such work is exclusive when all operators have refused the overtime work and the Supervisor is performing such work.
4. The Village agrees to remit payment for the missed overtime as requested in the next payroll run.
5. The parties agree that the grievance is hereby resolved in full.

ESPERSEN/WANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED that the request of Steven Waterson, Community Relations Director, on behalf of the 28th Annual Laurel Run, to use various Village Street corners to sell a special edition of the Observer on July 10, 2024 is hereby approved, subject to the direction of the Fredonia Police Department, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the volunteers shall take all precautions including use of group leaders and the Board requests that the volunteers shall stay off the streets and be restricted to the sidewalk street corners, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the request to use various Village streets for the 2024 Annual Laurel Run on Friday, July 19, 2024 is hereby approved, subject to the direction and escort of the Fredonia Police Department and the Village receiving a Certificate of Insurance in the amount of \$1 million naming the Village as an additional insured which it has already been received.

WANDEL/ESPERSEN

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees directs the Village of Fredonia Clerk to advertise for a Seasonal Laborer with the Department of Public Works for a maximum of 1,000 hours, or eight weeks.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION-

L. MEETING SCHEDULE-

There will be a Public Hearing on Wednesday June 26th at 6:30 PM in the Trustee Room regarding the USDA Grant for miscellaneous equipment.

The next Village of Fredonia Workshop will take place on Wednesday July 10, 2024 at 9 AM in the Trustee Room, second floor Village Hall.

The Next Village of Fredonia Board Meeting will take place Monday July 15, 2024 at 7 PM in the Trustee Room, second floor Village Hall.