

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAURENS
October 7, 2025
REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Kovacs

Present: Mayor Frank Kovacs, Trustee Tom Halstead, Trustee Starr Liddle, Trustee Lois VanAlstine, Clerk Erica LaBuz, Dale Bullock

Absent: Water Superintendent Jarrett Hotaling

Other: Marie Iannotti

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: The September minutes were accepted as presented with a motion by Trustee VanAlstine, seconded by Trustee Liddle.

Financial Reports: The August financial reports were reviewed. In September we received state aid for \$6,169.00 and sales tax for \$1,257.81. September water bills total \$47,684.13 and penalties total \$3,326.40. The fall water bills total is \$51,010.53. A motion to approve the financial report and Abstract #5 for payment was made by Trustee Halstead, seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 4-0.

Water Report – Water superintendent Jarrett Hotaling submitted a written report. The Village used 414,000 gallons of water in September which averages to 13,800 gallons per day. The water was turned off at 23 Main Street and at Knapp Park. The Laurens Fire Department flushed hydrants on September 30. New meters will be purchased to replace the meters that are not able to be read. We have not heard about the roof repair.

Mayor's Report – The memorial service in Knapp Park for Charlie Kirk had a big turnout.

Committee Reports

Parks, Property & Sidewalks

Community Engagement

New Business: The Village received an invitation to bid from Otsego County. The county is selling the property at the corner of Main Street and County Highway 11A (tax map 240.15-2-48.00). The minimum bid is \$50.00. The trustees were not interested in bidding on the property.

There was a request by email to use Knapp Park for a moment of silence for the victims of gun violence. The requestor did not submit a park use form. The trustees believe that this type of event is not an appropriate use of the park.

Correspondence

Public Comment:

Adjournment: The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica LaBuz

Village Clerk