

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAURENS
June 6, 2023
REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

Present: Mayor Kelly Pinter, Trustee Tom Halstead, Trustee Jonathan Heelein, Trustee Starr Liddle, Trustee Frank Kovacs, Water Superintendent Dale Bullock, Assistant Water Superintendent Jarrett Hotaling, Clerk Erica LaBuz,
Others: Marie Iannotti, Monica Kovacs, Steve Pinter

Pledge of Allegiance

Resolution – Dissolve the Summer Recreation Program

On a motion made by Kelly Pinter, seconded by Starr Liddle, the following was adopted:

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of the Village of Laurens that the Laurens Summer Recreation Program is dissolved.

Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Pinter	Aye <u> x </u>	Nay ____
Trustee Halstead	Aye <u> x </u>	Nay ____
Trustee Heelein	Aye <u> x </u>	Nay ____
Trustee Kovacs	Aye <u> x </u>	Nay ____
Trustee Liddle	Aye <u> x </u>	Nay ____

Minutes: Trustee Heelein made a motion to approve the May meeting minutes, seconded by Trustee Kovacs. Approved 5-0.

Financial Reports:

Trustee Liddle made a motion to approve the April financial reports. Seconded by Trustee Kovacs. Approved 5-0. Trustee Heelein made a motion to approve Abstract 13 (2022-23) and Abstract 1 (2023-24) for payment. Seconded by Trustee Halstead. Approved 5-0. Prolifiq Signs has not provided proofs of the signs and posters for the summer concerts yet. Payment will be needed for pick up. Trustee Liddle made a motion to approve up to \$400.00 in payments to Prolifiq Signs. Seconded by Trustee Heelein. Approved 5-0.

There was discussion about the negative balance in the Water Fund. Budget modifications are needed because this is the end of the fiscal year. A spreadsheet was presented. Trustee Kovacs made a motion to approve budget modifications in the water fund from fund balance (FX599), FX1910.4, FX1950.4, and FX8310.4. Seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 5-0.

Water Report – Dale Bullock: Usage was 18,000 gallons per day. This is an increase probably due to pool fills and dry weather. The lawn at 82 Main Street has been repaired. Lead and copper testing came back negative. The testing will need to be completed again. Tests that will need to be completed are: nitrate, lead, copper, radiological, PFOAS and PFOS. The fire department will flush hydrants once a month on Tuesday evenings. Flow testing will be done. Mayor Pinter said we will use ARPA funds for the water system. We need a comprehensive list. For roof replacement we will need 3 quotes. Meter replacement at the cost of \$157.00 per each can be paid for with ARPA funds. The lawn mower needs to be replaced. Trustee Heelein made a motion to purchase a basic push mower from the Home Depot for \$199.00. Seconded by Trustee Kovacs. Approved 5-0.

Committee Reports

Parks, Property & Sidewalks – Trustees Liddle and Halstead

The Job Corps will let Trustee Liddle know by the end of June if he has a crew to do sidewalk work this summer. Trustee Liddle provided an estimate of \$36.00 per linear foot.

Community Engagement – Trustee Kovacs

The concerts are Wednesdays in July. The NYS Council of the Arts Regrant Program gave the village a grant of \$250.00 for publicity and promotions. We now have \$400.00 to spend on promotions.

Mayor's Report – Kelly Pinter

The Village of Laurens signs have not been installed yet. The clean up after your dog signs have been installed. The Laurensvillage.gov website will be up and running soon. Amy Schlee has funds available to make improvements in Schlee Park. She will come to a meeting to make a presentation.

Correspondence: Into the Streets sent a thank you note. Otsego Now sent a mailing regarding their concern about the increase in the number of solar and wind projects. These projects are tax-exempt unless a municipality opts out. Otsego Now recommends opting out to receive taxes in full for an energy project.

Public Comments: Monica Kovacs said the CROP Program will be held the 2nd and 3rd week of July. The program is free for grades K-8. In the past, the Department of Health and Excelsus had tables at Community Day. Steve Pinter thanked Trustees Halstead and Liddle for replacing the boards at the gazebo.

Executive Session: The Board of Trustees went into executive session.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned after the Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica LaBuz
Village Clerk