

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF LAURENS  
October 1, 2024  
REGULAR MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by Mayor Pinter

**Present:** Mayor Kelly Pinter, Trustee Jonathan Heelein, Trustee Frank Kovacs, Trustee Lois VanAlstine, Water Superintendent Dale Bullock, Clerk Erica LaBuz

**Absent:** Assistant Water Superintendent Jarrett Hotaling

**Other:** Justin Hughes, Marie Iannotti

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes through the Water Report were taken by Mayor Pinter. The clerk arrived at 7:20 due to a collision with a deer.

**Minutes:** The September minutes were accepted as presented.

**Financial Reports:** The August financial report was reviewed. Motion to accept financial report made by Lois VanAlstine, seconded by Jonathan Heelein, all in favor.

The Abstract dated 10/1/2024 was reviewed. Motion to pay the abstract made by Frank Kovacs, seconded by Lois VanAlstine, all in favor.

The board reviewed a budget modification for \$202.89 for park mowing and NYSEG. Motion made by Frank Kovacs to take funds from budget line A5142.4, seconded by Jonathan Heelein, all in favor.

Trustee Heelein made a motion to transfer \$4,104.64 from Fund Balance (A599) to the above referenced accounts. Seconded by Trustee VanAlstine. Approved 3-0.

**Water Report** – Dale Bullock: Water superintendent gave his report. Village used 685K gallons of water in September. Meter readings were done on 9/19/2024. The property at 94 Main Street was sold so a meter reading was done there. DOH did an inspection on 9/27/2024, all was in good order. The annual water quality report needs to be submitted. Testing is coming up and chemicals will be ordered. The lead line survey is continuing. Not all water customers responded to the initial requests. Letters will go out to all customers with an unknown status.

**Committee Reports**

**Parks, Property & Sidewalks – Trustee Kovacs**

Mayor Pinter reported that Town Highway Superintendent Wayne Shulgay unplugged the culvert at Brook Street and Balantic Hill Road. The Town paved Brook Street from Town Hall to Main Street. Craft Street is deteriorating. The estimated cost to repave it is \$30,000.00. Maintaining streets is mandatory so the board will have to look into how to finance this project. The CHIPS application for sidewalk replacement can be submitted. It was given to Mayor Pinter to be signed.

**Community Engagement**

The library will be open 20 hours per week. Trunk or Treat will be held from 1-3 PM on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Santa in the Park for LCS students was discussed. This is a tradition that has been going on a long time. Mayor Pinter stated that she has made up the goody bags but will not do that this year. She said that new options may be needed.

**New Business**

Justin Hughes attended the meeting to consider whether he would like to be appointed to the vacant trustee position. Mayor Pinter explained some of the village activities such as the concert series. The children's activities were started by a trustee who was child focused. The village is challenged because the tax base is low. Responsibilities include mowing in the parks and putting up the flags. Mr. Hughes will consider completing the term of the vacant position but is not sure about running for a 2-year term.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM

**Respectfully submitted,**

Erica LaBuz  
Village Clerk