

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LAURENS
November 6, 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, Clerk Erica LaBuz, Dale Bullock

Absent: Trustee Lois VanAlstine

Other:

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Financial Reports: The September financial reports were reviewed. Open tax payments total \$5,961.99 which includes spring water. We collected \$35,913.94 for fall water. Unpaid water totals \$15,096.59. Unpaid amounts will be reported to Otsego County. A motion to approve the financial report and Abstract #6 for payment was made by Trustee Halstead, seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 3-0.

Budget Modifications – General Fund totaling \$305.95 – Insurance (A1910.4) - \$88.00; Other Cultural and Recreational) A7989.4 - \$217.95. Use Permanent Improvements funds (A5112.4)

Water Fund Insurance - \$88.00 (FX1910.4) Use Propane Gase funds (FX8320.43) A motion to approve the budget modifications was made by Trustee Halstead, seconded by Trustee Liddle. Approved 3-0.

Water Report – Water superintendent Jarrett Hotaling submitted a written report. The Village used 505,000 gallons of water in October which averages to 16,200 gallons per day. Meters are aging and beginning to fail. The life expectancy of a meter is 20-25 years. The water superintendent will look into grants for new meters. We have not heard about the roof repair. There was only one response to the latest lead pipe letter.

Mayor's Report – The flags will be taken down. Trunk or Treat had 15-20 cars. Safety activities by the State Police and the Sheriff's Department were also held by the school during Trunk or Treat. Santa at the gazebo will be held in December.

Committee Reports

Parks, Property & Sidewalks

Community Engagement

New Business: Otsego County is working on the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Caucuses are held in January. A new chairperson for the Republican caucus may be needed.

Correspondence

Public Comment:

Adjournment: The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica LaBuz

Village Clerk