**VILLAGE OF CAMILLUS**

**PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING**

**April 21, 2025**

Present: Mayor Richard Waterman Attorney: Robert J. Allan (absent)

Deputy Mayor Martin Rinaldo

Trustee Ann Eckert

Trustee Mark Eckert

Trustee James Lighton (absent) 4 people in attendance

Mayor Waterman opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The next Board meeting is May 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

Tom Blair, Camillus Mills, stated he is requesting that the Village approve a simple subdivision. Mr. Blair would like the Board to name the Village as the Lead Agency and stated this an unlisted action for SEQR purposes. A Public Hearing must be set for May. Code Enforcement Officer Bill Reagan stated he and Engineer Bill Morse were asking about access easements for driving through, parking, and dumpsters. Mr. Blair stated they are not ready for final site plan as Phase III is still in progress, but there are no plans for any additional dumpster locations as they already have a dumpster congregation. Mr. Reagan stated easements are usually shown on subdivision maps. Doug Sutherland stated they would normally have reciprocal easement agreements as part of the financing package. The easements for parking and dumpsters are shared between lots and someone may live in Phase 1 but park in open area Phase II Mr. Blair stated when this comes up for subdivision approval, and before a building permit is issued, they could add that any and all legal agreements with regards to reciprocal parking or ingress egress access will be provided to Counsel at that time. Mr. Reagan and Mr. Morse want to verify that the other two parcels have legal access to the dumpsters because if they lose access down the road, then more dumpster locations will need to be created. Mr. Blair stated he has spoken to Attorney Bob Allan, but they have not gotten into specifics. Mr. Blair stated he could easily add cross-access easements as indicated. Mr. Reagan will check with Mr. Morse. Trustee Ann Eckert asked about the Village sewer easements. Mr. Sutherland stated there are easements for utilities and a future creek walk. Trustee Rinaldo asked about a start date for Phase 3. There are no set dates for work to begin. Mr. Reagan advised the Board to get comments from Attorney Allan. Mayor Waterman placed a call to Attorney Allan but there was no response. Mr. Blair will ask Attorney Allan if he would like the easements noted in the plans.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Ann Eckert it was unanimously:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees voted to declare the Village of Camillus as Lead

Agent for SEQR determination for the Unlisted Action.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert it was unanimously:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees deem the proposed subdivision of Lot 2 Camillus

Mills as an Unlisted Action for the SEQR and if needed, submit the application to the Onondaga County Planning Board for G.M.L.239 review.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert and unanimously approved, the Board of Trustees set a Public Hearing for May 19, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the subdivision application and making a SEQR determination for Camillus Mills Phase III.

**PUBLIC HEARING VERIZON FIOS**

**VILLAGE OF CAMILLUS**

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Present: Mayor Richard Waterman Attorney: Robert J. Allan (absent)

Deputy Mayor Martin Rinaldo

Trustee Ann Eckert

Trustee Mark Eckert

Trustee James Lighton (absent) 2 people in attendance

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert, and unanimously approved, the Board opened the Public Hearing to consider approving a cable television franchise agreement by and between the Village of Camillus and Verizon New York, Inc.

The Mayor waived the reading of the Public Notice as follows:

**VILLAGE OF CAMILLUS BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camillus, Onondaga County, New York will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, April 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. to consider approving a cable television franchise agreement by and between the Village of Camillus and Verizon New York, Inc.

The Public Hearing will be held at the Village Hall, 37 Main Street, in the Village of Camillus, at the date and time stated above at which time all interested parties will be heard.

A copy of the cable television franchise agreement is available and open for inspection at the Office of the Village Clerk during regular business hours. Written or oral statements in relation thereto may be filed with the Board of Trustees either before or at the hearing. Time limitations may be imposed for each oral statement, as necessary.

April 1, 2025

RICHARD A. WATERMAN, Mayor

Village of Camillus

Mayor Waterman stated the cable franchise agreement by and between the Village of

Camillus and Verizon New York, Inc. is due for renewal. A brief discussion was had.

Mayor Waterman asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert, and unanimously approved, the Board closed the Public Hearing.

Upon motion of Trustee Mark Eckert, seconded by Trustee Ann Eckert it was:

**RESOLVED**, that on April 21, 2025, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to

approve the Verizon New York, Inc. contract for an additional 5 (five) year period and to authorize Mayor Waterman to execute the Verizon New York Inc. contract.

**Code Enforcement**

Mayor Waterman stated Attorney Bob Allan has learned Laurie Seamon, 73 Genesee Street, has four outstanding Village of Camillus parking tickets. Attorney Allan would like Board approval to pursue the unpaid parking tickets.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert it was unanimously:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees approved giving Village Attorney Bob Allan the

authority to pursue parking tickets for the Village of Camillus.

Trustee Mark Eckert led a discussion regarding parking tickets issued in the Village of Camillus. It is his understanding parking tickets cannot be enforced unless they are put in the state ticket report which Attorney Allan would need to do. Trustee Mark Eckert suggested passing a law so the Village can enforce parking tickets. Mayor Waterman will discuss this with Attorney Allan.

Code Enforcement Officer Bill Reagan stated 4-6 Mechanic Street was issued a permit and told to pay the permit fee of $560 to the Village of Camillus. The permit should be displayed in the window at 4-6 Mechanic Street. Mr. Reagan has sent a certified letter to 2 Feederbank Road to inspect the home as it has been vacant for a couple of years and the bricks are falling off the chimney. He has not received a response. He advised checking with Attorney Allan to see if he wants to pull out an administrative search warrant to check the condition of it.

Mr. Reagan stated he has picked up numerous advertising signs in the Village right of way. Mayor Waterman stated he also picked up quite a few signs.

The annual maintenance permit renewal for the Department of Transportation is due for renewal.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert, and unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees, the annual maintenance permit renewal was approved to be signed.

Mayor Waterman stated there was a sewer emergency at the corner of North Street and Main Street. The Village contacted Kermes Plumbing to do the emergency work and then contacted Environmental Paving for an estimate to repair the sidewalks which had to be removed. The Kermes quote is $6,750.00, and the Environmental Paving quote is $10,733.75. Kermes has repaired the sewer line, but they are coming back tomorrow to run water and a camera to scope the repair and verify the repair is complete. If the repair is not complete, they may need to dig up more of the road.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert and unanimously approved by the Board to pay $6750.00 for emergency sewer repairs at the corner of North Street and Main Street.

Upon motion of Trustee Ann Eckert, seconded by Trustee Rinaldo and unanimously approved by the Board to pay $10,773.35 to Environmental Paving for sidewalk repairs because of the sewer line repair.

Riccelli will be out to start road work in the next 3-4 weeks. The road work at Leory and First Streets is being paid for with Community Development and anticipated CHIPS funds. Trustee Rinaldo asked about sending a letter to residents to let them know parking would be disrupted. Mayor Waterman stated he had not sent letters as he was waiting for start dates for the work to begin and will send letters when he has that information.

Mayor Waterman had a Zoom meeting with the CNY Foundation Grant regarding the sidewalk for Munro Park. They have received many grant applications. Mayor Waterman hopes to hear something back by June 1, 2025.

Mayor Waterman stated he would like to plan an Arbor Day on July 19, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. during the Chamber of Commerce event. The 5 free red oak trees will be planted by Cornell Co-Op volunteers.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Mark Eckert it was unanimously:

**RESOLVED,** that the Board of Trustees approved an Arbor Day Celebration to be held July 19, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in Munro Park.

Mayor Waterman received a request from NYS DEC asking if the Village would give permission to trout anglers to fish from the stream banks on Village property. A discussion was held regarding liability concerns if permission is granted. People regularly fish along and in the creek. Mayor Waterman will consult Attorney Allan before a decision is made.

**Approval of Vouchers**

Mayor Waterman asked if there were any questions regarding the vouchers.

Upon motion of Trustee Mark Eckert, seconded by Trustee Rinaldo and unanimously approved by the Board, Abstract #8 was approved as follows:

General: $13,222.60

Sewer: $889.44

Trust: $23.99

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Waterman asked if there were any questions regarding April 7, 2025, Minutes. There were none.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Ann Eckert and unanimously approved the minutes of April 7, 2025, were approved.

**Trustee Comments**

Trustee Mark Eckert stated he would like to ask Chief Fred Isgar about the inventory and maintenance records. They have gone automated, but he has not received access to the records to verify the records are being done correctly.

Trustee Rinaldo asked about the serial numbers for the new gym equipment the Fire Chiefs said they would provide to the Board. Trustee Ann Eckert stated the Chiefs were providing serial numbers for all the equipment.

Trustee Ann Eckert stated she had called the office last week regarding the inappropriate sidewalk art on South Street. Mayor Waterman will verify the DPW is aware and how soon it can be removed.

Mr. Reagan stated at his training class last week, a speaker mentioned that the new building codes were being issued at the end of the year and usually every Code Officer receives a set of books and a digital version. This year there are 1600 municipalities, and 800 municipalities will receive digital copies, and 800 municipalities will receive a set of books, not both. Mayor Waterman will check into this.

Mayor Waterman provided an update on the trail meeting.

Mary Luber and Mr. Reagan exited the meeting.

**Camillus Fire Department**

Chief Isgar and Chief James Hartford Sr. entered the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Chief Isgar stated they have had 128 alarms to date. Chief Hartford Sr. did a study on the LED lights which have been added since last year and the fire department has had noticeable savings. They are considering changing the upstairs lights to LED. Chief Isgar will call his brother about doing the work.

A discussion was held about the Engine 4 tires recently replaced. Chief Isgar stated they were state bid.

Upon motion of Trustee Rinaldo, seconded by Trustee Ann Eckert, and unanimously approved by the Board, the authorized the purchase of 6 tires at a cost of $3,298.00 from Syracuse Retreaders under state bid.

Chief Isgar summarized the By-law changes which included removing penalties, removing mandatory maintenance drills, and updated the disciplinary actions.

Mayor Waterman asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Upon motion of Trustee Mark Eckert, seconded by Trustee Ann Eckert, and unanimously approved, the Board voted to approve the Camillus Fire Department By-laws.

Trustee Mark Eckert asked about the vehicle inventory. Chief Isgar stated they are still building the system so no one has access to the information at this time. They hope to do a test run at the end of the month. Chief Isgar stated the inventory is still being completed, just on paper until the system is operational.

Trustee Rinaldo asked about the serial numbers for the gym equipment. Chief Hartford Sr. will provide the serial numbers for the Board.

Upon motion of Trustee Ann Eckert, seconded by Trustee Rinaldo, and unanimously approved the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Carrie Grooms

Clerk/Treasurer