

Village of Endicott Linda Jackson, Mayor

Timothy P. Wright, Deputy Mayor

(late arrival)

Nicholas Burlingame, Trustee

R. Ted Warner, Trustee

Patrick Dorner, Trustee

A Quality Community

Anthony Bates, Village Manager

**Board Meeting**

**May 15, 2023**

**6:00pm**

**Order of Business**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence**

**2. Fire and ADA Compliance Announcement**

**3. Mayor Announcements**

Our community center now has basketball hoops up. They have requested a drinking fountain and pavilion in that area. Our Water department can help with the water part of this project.

I received an email from Green Mountain. Even though they cannot put in the electric warehouse, they are willing to explore other options.

It is sad to lose the remaining building of IBM employees. However, they have said they will keep a small presence here to work remotely and engage with our community events to keep this legacy alive.

Although the SEPP project had most of their financing, there is a snag with the last section which we thought was all approved. Since they do not own that property yet, the Village can still use it. The library in Vestal does not want that farmers market to take up their parking spaces any longer, so this market needs a new home.

We observed a demolition at 119 Oak Hill Avenue. The landbank will now be working out these details of who will take ownership.

Phoenix is making many upgrades. They are now enclosing an area for a truck garage, etc. on their property on E. Franklin Street.

Talked to many businesses on Washington Avenue. The Original Pizzeria and Frank’s barbershop declined to sell when approached. They are willing to invest in the Avenue because they can see the potential.

Anthony and I met in person with Julie Sweet from the Department of State, Omar Sanders from the Empire State Development, and Joe Moody the Town of Union economic developer about the 10-million-dollar DRI. Many options are being considered.

**4. Trustees**

Burlingame-He attended the landbank demolition at 119 Oak Hill Ave. he thanked all who were involved with this demolition. It is the landbanks decision as to who will acquire this property. He attended Police Week in Vestal. He continues to receive resident complaints re: the new crosswalk signs. He suggested the removal of the old crosswalk signs. Suggested the board needs to make a decision the GFJ Statue donation.

Dorner- asked about the status of the water purchase agreement. Commented on the parking signs not being placed on the St. Anthony side. Comments re: migrants being headed to Upstate NY.

Warner-comments re: a shaded area in the Northside Park for the kids playing basketball. Questions re: board approval of the crosswalk signs. Spoke of a proposed parking lot at 119 Oak Hill Ave if the Village is able to acquire this property.

A motion to discuss event permits under tonight’s new business was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

Comments related to the gazebo that is in the original design plans.

A motion to add the GFJ Statue donation under unfinished business under was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

**5. Village Manager**

He met with Empire Development and the Department of State to discuss the Green Mountain leaving the site and the DRI project. He stated the money is allocated for Endicott only. He spoke of the grant for Sertoma field and new lighting. He is waiting on some new numbers and hoping to get these in place this year. The Pole Barn for the Street dept should go out to bid in June and concrete will be bid separately. He stated the construction and material bids are out for the Washington Ave project.

**6. Attorney for the Village**

He commented on the Water Option Agreement and some changes.

**7. Special Presentations- None**

**8. Public Hearings**

a. Public Comment re: LL#04-2023- No Parking on Groats St

As no one wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the public hearing

b. Public Comment re: re: LL#05 -2023- Removal of a Bus Stop/Washington Ave

As no one wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the public hearing

**c.** Call for a Public Hearing on 6/5/2023 at 6:00pm re: LL# -2023- No Parking on Davis Ave

A motion to Call for a Public Hearing on 6/5/2023 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

d.Call for a Public Hearing on 6/5/2023 at 6:00pm re: LL# -2023- Grass Fines & Fees

A motion to Call for a Public Hearing on 6/5/2023 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

**9. Resolutions/Local Laws**

a. R#13 -2023 to approve LL# 04 -2023- No Parking on Groats St

A motion to approve R#13-2023- No Parking on Groats St was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

***VILLAGE OF ENDICOTT***

***LOCAL LAW NO. 04 OF THE YEAR 2023***

*A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 235 OF THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LAW TO RESTRICT PARKING ON CERTAIN PARTS OF GROATS STREET*

*Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Endicott as follows:*

*Section 1. Amendment to Section 235-74, Schedule XIV: Parking Prohibited at All Times*

*Section 235-74 of the Village of Endicott Code shall hereby be amended by adding the following to Schedule XIV:*

***Name of Street Side Location***

*Groats Street South From N. Oak Avenue east to the dead end*

*Section 2. Remainder*

*Except as hereinabove amended, the remainder of the Village Code of the Village of Endicott shall remain in full force and effect.*

*Section 3. Separability*

*The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of this local law or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and as if such person or circumstance, to which the local law or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempt therefrom.*

*Section 4. Effective Date*

*This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.*

b. R#14 -2023 to approve LL# 05 -2023- Removal of a Bus Stop/Washington Ave

A motion to approve R#14-2023- Removal of a Bus Stop/Washington Ave

was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

**VILLAGE OF ENDICOTT**

**LOCAL LAW NO. 05 OF THE YEAR 2023**

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 235 OF THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LAW TO REMOVE A BUS STOP FROM WASHINGTON AVENUE

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Endicott as follows:

Section 1. Amendment to Section 235-85, Schedule XXV: Bus Stops

Section 235-85 of the Village of Endicott Code shall hereby be amended by deleting the following from Schedule XXV:

**Name of Street Side Location**

Washington Avenue West At North Street

Section 2. Remainder

Except as hereinabove amended, the remainder of the Village Code of the Village of Endicott shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Separability

The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of this local law or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and as if such person or circumstance, to which the local law or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempt therefrom.

Section 4. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

d. R#12 -2023- Water Rate Increase

A motion to approve the water rate schedule for all billing effective 6/1/2023 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson-Yes Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Absent

VILLAGE OF ENDICOTT

RESOLUTION R# 12 -2023

Water Rates

WHEREAS, the Village of Endicott charges a User’s Fee for Water usage for all residential and commercial residents that are on the Villages’ water system, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Endicott will need to increase these rates to reflect the increasing costs of providing this service to its customers, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Endicott will increase these rates for all billings effective June 1, 2023 as follows on the attached rate schedule.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Rate Schedule attached on a separate page.

(Trustee Wright arrived)

**10. 1st Hearing of Visitors**

Mark Ponzi, 101 Cornell Ave-asked for updates re: Village projects such as the water, Washington Ave and Code Enforcement

Carol Layton- asked for an update on the Cannabis Law. The Village already has one in place. She asked about the Fitness Park and suggested placing more trees around the equipment in the park.

Terri Farrell, 404 Hazel Ave-thanked the Manager for the update on the lights for Sertoma field. She spoke on tree City USA.

As no one else wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the 1st hearing of visitors

**11. Approval of Minutes- None**

**12. Communications for Filing**

a. Notice of filing receipt from NYS re: Local law #3- Jenkins St

b. Town of Union Planning Board Agenda- 5/9/2023

c. Email notice from Doug Courtright re: Water board meeting

d. 239 Submission Review- 430 Airport Rd- Parking Lot Expansion

A motion to approve all communications was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**13. Communications for Action**

a. Quadient Leasing Renewal- Postage Machine

A motion to approve the Postage Machine Renewal was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

b. Seasonal and part-time wage schedule 2023-24

A motion to approve the 2023-24 seasonal and part time wage schedule was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Yes

c. Maine Mutual Aid Contract Renewal

A motion to approve the Maine Mutual Aid Contract Renewal was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Yes Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright-Yes

d. Stage at Little Italy Summer Concert Series 2023- Insurance Certificate Included

A motion to approve the Stage at Little Italy Summer Concert Series 2023 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

e. A request from Chief Operator, Kevin Pero to hire Hunt Engineers to design plans for the replacement of the Bean Hill Water Tank

A motion to approve the hiring of Hunt Engineers to design plans for the replacement of the Bean Hill Water Tank was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

f. Resignation Notice from EPD Officer Bradley Solomon

A motion to approve the Resignation Notice from EPD Officer Bradley Solomon was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

g. Request to Approve the Agreement by and between the Village of Endicott and the Village of Endicott Supervisors and CSEA, Local 100 AFSCME, AFL-CIO

A motion to approve the Agreement by and between the Village of Endicott and the Village of Endicott Supervisors and CSEA, Local 100 AFSCME, AFL-CIO was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Yes Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**14. Bid(s)-**

A request from WWTP Chief Operator, Phil Grayson to award the Sewer System Rehabilitation bid to National Water main Cleaning Company in the amount of

$ 673,670.50

The following bids were received:

Green Mountain Pipeline $928,856

**National Water Main Cleaning Company $673,670.50**

Vacri Construction Corporation $860,000

A motion to award the Sewer System Rehabilitation bid to the low bidder, National Water Main Cleaning Company in the amount of $ 673,670.50 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**15. Accounts Payable for Action $768,749.62**

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| **GENERAL** | **$196,448.75** |
| **LIGHT** | **$14,739.12** |
| **WATER** | **$93,334.72** |
| **WASTEWATER** | **$90,309.81** |
| **CAPITAL** | **$347,087.76** |
| **LIBRARY** | **$25,315.27** |
| **PARKING** | **$1,514.19** |
| **TRUST & AGENCY** | **$0.00** |
| **TOTAL** | **$768,749.62** |

A motion to approve the accounts payables for 5/15/23 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**15a.** ACH’s for 5/15/23-$4,021.68

A motion to approve the ACH’s for 5/15/23 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**15b.** Pre-Paids for $5/15/23- $110,308.73

A motion to approve the pre-paids’s for 5/15/23 was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Wright

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**16. Unfinished Business**

A motion to make a donation to the Union Endicott Central School District in the amount of $5,000.00 for repair of the GFJ Statue only was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Wright

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Abstain Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**17. New Business**

Café’/Event Permits

Discussion as to who would actually approve the Banner, Café, Festival, Block Party and Facility Permit. The board has recommended that the Village Manager or the Deputy Clerk Treasurer to handle the banner and Café permits and any appeals can go to the board. The Village board will continue approving the festival permits and block parties with no option to appeal.

Attorney McKertich will draft these up for board approval.

**18. 2nd Hearing of Visitors**

Kevin Pero, VOE Water/Chief Operator- asked for a status on the Ranney Well project

Mayor Jackson recognized Miles Burmett, deputy chief of staff for Senator Webb, who was in the audience, she asked him about the progress on the grants she had requested of him.

As no one else wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the 2nd hearing of visitors

**19. Board Comments**

**Wright-**comments re: his frustration with Union Contracts. Suggested having a separate Code Enforcement that is not actually part of a Fire dept. Comments re: VOE Parking Meter person’s duties/Court/issuing of tickets etc. and requested parking reports. He suggested adding texting to the communication system and to add a mailer.

**Warner-** comments about Endicott Johnson and how they had no unions. Spoke of the Village water system. Asked of the hiring process of seasonal/part-time employees.

**Dorner**-comments re: the water dept- Option Agreement to purchase the land and suggested getting the word out to the merchants that plans for the Avenue have gone out to bid

**20. Executive Session**

To discuss the proposed lease of real property when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof

A motion to enter into executive session at 8:37pm to discuss the proposed lease of real property when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner-Yes

Dorner-Yes Wright-Yes

A motion to exit executive session at 9:36pm was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Wright

**21. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn at 9:39pm was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Mayor Jackson

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes