



A Quality Community

Village of Endicott

Linda Jackson, Mayor
Eileen Konecny, Deputy Mayor
R. Ted Warner, Trustee
Patrick Dorner, Trustee
Nicholas Burlingame, Trustee
Anthony Bates, Village Manager
Robert McKertich, Attorney for the Village

Board Meeting September 20, 2021

Order of Business

1. Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence

2. Fire and ADA Compliance Announcement

3. Mayor 1st Comments

Byrne Dairy is now under way.

Washington Avenue Project is progressing nicely. Forms will be available for people to comment on in the rotunda.

Cameras are being planned for the Avenue and seeking grants for ones in the parking lot and alley.

We are now applying for another DRI grant.

The water board is finishing many projects and working on recommendations to pay for future capital improvements.

We have a new code committee started to research many upgrades and new codes we need in the Village.

I want to thank the volunteers from Achieve for their help with landscaping here at the Municipal building.

The deafening noise at Huron has now been muffled. Hopefully the turbine will be repaired soon. We are working on more communication with Huron in the future.

We already have a noise ordinance, but it was not clear. So, we initiated a nuisance law.

Attended a zoom conference given by Broome County Executive Jason Garnar. He outlined many programs the County is now initiating.

Reports have now been changed to comments, so I will paraphrase my comments now.

There have been many unfair and false accusations made over the past year and a half. This talk does not belong in the boardroom.

I will now answer many of the accusations once and for all. I have proof of everything I have claimed for everyone to see. Then I will not discuss these topics again. There is way too much for me to take care of in the Village to spend any more time on this.

People are tired of hearing us complain and argue. It is time to move on.

List of comments are attached to these minutes.

4. Trustees 1st Comments

Dorner- Congratulated the Planning and Zoning boards with approving their part re: Byrne Dairy. Spoke of the deterioration of the underpass near the Avenue and the Village's eyesores. Gave a shout out to the Endicott Rotary and their assistance in the Village cleanup as well as their donation toward the Arch Celebration. Deputy Mayor Konecny stated this donation helped offset the expenses for the Celebration. Attorney McKertich stated Village Officials cannot solicit donations from any business.

Warner- Questioned the paperwork given to the board members re: Noise Ordinance. Attorney McKertich answered there is a Village law in place and is enforceable. He spoke of the noise coming from Huron, they certainly did not plan this and tried to repair as soon as they could. Stated we should look further into our Noise Ordinance Law. Clarified that it was a Mayoral Committee, not a Board Advisory meeting that was read in the Mayor's letter. He welcomed Byrne Dairy and thanked Endicott Rotary for cleaning up the Village. He commented on the drawings in the rotunda of the revitalization drawings and how a non-representative of the Village was requested to speak to a channel 34 news reporter on behalf of a Village project.

Burlingame-attended GUSTO, the Arch Celebration and the Apple Fest . He is working with Little Italy re: the Scarousel event. Also an event on 10/30 with EPAC and New Life Ministries, possible a Trunk or Treat. Little Italy is donating trees to the GWJ Park with funds they received from Restaurant Week. He welcomed Byrne Dairy to the Village and thanked the Endicott Rotary Club for the cleanup but feels the Village needs to do better and feels the Rotary Club should not have had to do the cleanup.

Konecny- has been very busy with the Arch Celebration and the Apple Fest

Chris Pelto- Huron

Gave an explanation of the venting of the steam that was coming from Huron.

5. Village Manager Report

Commented that we have been notified from the State re: CDBG Coronavirus Grant (half a million project) which was for work at the Police and Fire depts. for the HVAC and generator. The Village has been awarded \$485 thousand for this grant. The Village submitted an application for the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI). The program changed this year in which there is (1) \$20 million award or (2) 10 million awards so very hopeful for the Village. He spoke on the Washington Ave updates in which they are wrapping up the survey period and they are evaluating the responses. Tremendous response and feedback from the public. He is hoping to have the revisions by the next board meeting.

6. Attorney for the Village Report

He commented on his thoughts re: a Professional Fees Law that the Village does not currently have in their Code Book. This would apply to the larger land use development projects that come in, where you can charge professional fees incurred such as engineering fees.

7. Special Presentations- None

8. Public Hearings

a. Call for a Public Hearing on 10/4/2021 at 6:00pm re: LL# -2021- Digital Signs

A motion to call for the public hearing was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

b. A motion to rescind the previous motion for the public hearing and call to reschedule the public hearing for November 1st at 6:00pm re: Digital Signs was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

c. Public Comment re: LL# -2021- Planned Urban Development (PUD) Rezoning map # 157.05-5-12, 105 ½ Skye Island Dr.

As no one wished to speak, Deputy Mayor Konecny closed the public comment.

A motion to close the public comment was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

9. Resolutions/Local Laws

a. R#39 -2021- Tap Grant Application

A motion to approve R#39-2021 was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

A motion to allow Chief Patrick Garey to speak on the Village Local Law re: Noise Ordinance was made by Trustee Warner. He does not feel this is enforceable due to not having a meter. In order to measure noise levels you would need a certain meter which we do not have. This would also involve training and standard approval. We would need to update the Local Law to the current meter levels and this would be enforceable. The Police dept determines whether disorderly conduct is considered unreasonable conduct. The complainant would have to sign a sworn affidavit.

b. R#40 -2021 Updated SEPP Option Agreement

A motion to approve R#40-2021 was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

c. R#41- 2021- Local Match, Engineering Planning Grant Program

A motion to approve R#41-2021 was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee

Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

d. R#42 -2021- Grant Agreement/NYS Environmental Facilities Corp

A motion to approve R#42-2021 was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee

Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

e. R#43 -2021-SEQR Type II

A motion to approve R#43-2021 was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee

Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

10. 1st Hearing of Visitors

Ryan Lavich-Suggestion re: Tree City Grant, families to plant trees within the community and 111 River Terrace. Trustee Burlingame suggested we need to address the loss trees on South St. Trustee Konecny and Trustee Burlingame offered to look into this.

Bill Huston- Comment re: an offensive comment taken by him from a board member at the last meeting. Comments re: grant funding for local businesses as opposed to other purchases in the Village.

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

11. Approval of Minutes

VOE 8/16/2021

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent	Konecny-Yes	Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes	Burlingame-Yes	

12. Communications for Filing

a. Town of Union- Board Meetings 8/4 and 9/1/2021, Work Sessions 8/12 & 8/24/2021 and 9/1/2021 Agenda

b. Town of Union 239 Review Submission Form- 527 S. Grippen Ave

c. Notice from the Division of the Budget re: American the Rescue Act

d. Notice from Charter Communications dated 8/27/2021

e. Notice from the Department of State in receipt of Local Law filings #3 and #4

f. Eval Sheet from the EPD re: Homecoming Parade

g. Letter received by the Mayor from the Southerntiersmen Chorus re: Arch Celebration

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

13. Communications for Action

a. Halloween 13K, 10/31/2021

A motion to approve contingent on receiving the EPD eval sheet was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

b. A request from Chief Operator Kevin Pero, VOE Water dept to accept the proposal from Hunt Engineering for Engineering Services re: New Drinking Water Source Investigation

A motion to accept the proposal was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

14. Bid(s)

A request from Chief Operator, Philip Grayson, VOE Wastewater dept to request to receive bids for a Wastewater Pump to be located at the Endwell Pump Station

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Konecny and seconded by Trustee Burlingame

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

15. Accounts Payable for Action 9/5/2021 \$1,052,764.25

GENERAL	\$259,438.40
LIGHT	\$137,836.40
WATER	\$169,554.49
WASTEWATER	\$162,029.97
CAPITAL	\$321,886.41
LIBRARY	\$1,758.30
PARKING	\$260.28
TRUST & AGENCY	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$81,052,764.25

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

15a. Accounts Payable for Action 9/20/2021 \$1,292,341.57

GENERAL	\$763,833.39
LIGHT	\$240,435.73
WATER	\$136,023.41
WASTEWATER	\$104,462.65
CAPITAL	\$15,039.67
LIBRARY	\$31,070.86
PARKING	\$1,475.86
TRUST & AGENCY	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$1,292,341.57

A motion to approve was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny
Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent Konecny-Yes Dorner-Yes
Warner-Yes Burlingame-Yes

16. Unfinished Business- None

17. New Business- None

18. 2nd Hearing of Visitors

As no one wished to speak, Deputy Mayor Konecny closed the 2nd hearing of visitors

19. Mayor 2nd Comments-

20. Trustees 2nd Comments

Dorner- asked if there were any vacancies on the Planning board. The board answered not at this time

Warner-spoke of the Planning and Zoning boards re: Byrne Dairy

Burlingame- commented on the Southerntiersmen Chorus and their performance at the Arch Celebration and requests a thank you be sent to them. He also commented on Mayor Jackson’s letter and stated he feels this is borderline slanderous and will not comment any further and will move on from this.

21. Executive Session- None

22. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 7:55pm was made by Trustee Burlingame and seconded by Trustee Konecny

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Absent

Konecny-Yes

Dorner-Yes

Warner-Yes

Burlingame-Yes