

Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees  
June 9, 2025 – 7:00pm – DRAFT  
Public Hearing – 7:00pm DPW Capital Repair Reserve Expenditure

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich was held June 9, 2025, in the Board Room at 6 Academy St. Present were Mayor Hurley, Trustees: Vandewater, Grimmke, Robinson and Moore, as well as Attorney Kelly, President Crawford, Sergeant Gauthier and Chief/ Superintendent Smith. Mayor Hurley opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

**7:00pm Public Hearing to Authorize the Expenditure of \$7556.63 from Capital Reserve Repair Fund for the Repair of New Holland Front End Loader not to Exceed \$7600.**

**Public Hearing** opened by Mayor Hurley. No questions except by the board on what the repairs were for; rear axle seal leak, new radiator and hydraulic hose leaks on the 2011 Loader. These are the first major repairs to this equipment.

**Motion to close** the Public Meeting so moved by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

**Resolution No 12 of 2025 Authorize the Expenditure of \$7556.63 from Capital Reserve Repair Fund for the Repair of New Holland Front End Loader not to Exceed \$7600.** Made on a motion by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

General Fund Voucher numbers 545 – 552 totaling \$6,858.34

General Fund Voucher numbers 1 – 11 totaling 121,591.14

Water Fund Voucher number 18 – totaling \$280.90

**Motion** to pay the above bills so moved by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Moore and carried by all.

**Approval** of the draft Meeting Minutes from May 12 and 29, 2025, made on a motion by Trustee Robinson, second by Trustee Moore and carried by all.

**Department Reports:**

**Fire:** Chief Smith delivered the May report: 34 calls: EMS calls – 28. Rescue extrication 2, fire 2, hazards 0, service calls 0, Motor vehicle accidents 1, and 2 alarm activations. Mutual aid given – 9. Fire and Emergency response hours – 32, training hours 121.5 and activity – 71.5 for a total of 225 hours. New member; past member Brittney Parent has rejoined the department. The Lions Club donated Electric Vehicle Fire Blankets to area departments. Training for these will be underway shortly.

**Used Engine Purchase** – Malta's 2010 truck has been in Greenwich for 1.5 months with an asking price of \$100,000 for it. Malta has accepted GFD offer of \$85,000, which they accepted. The Committee in charge of this has decided to sell the 1993 Rescue Truck for a yet unknown amount, to be put back into Village accounts. The GFD purchased the Rescue originally. The Village has spent \$26,000 in engine repairs. Repairs to the Malta Engine will be in the \$9,000- \$10,000 range. Upfitting will be another \$40,000 - \$50,000. Currently there is \$65,000 in the Capital Equipment Reserve Fund.

**Motion to approve the purchase of the 2010 Engine from the Malta Fire Department** for \$85,000 made by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

**Police:** Sergeant Gauthier delivered the May report - There were 24 cases reported to the DCJS in May totaling 105 reported for the year. Arrests totaled 4 with 15 arrests for the year. There were 93 calls logged by County Dispatch for the month, 425 for the year. Two motor vehicle accidents in May. Incidents handled: warrant, suspended registration and mental health. The new vehicle will be sent to the upfitter in the next week or so. Union Village Festival is this coming weekend with Church Street closed Friday afternoon/evening and all-day Saturday. Mayor Hurley thanked the police for attending the second-grade field trip and making a big hit with the kids.

**Youth:** President Crawford delivered the May report: the new summer theater program is launching, and everyone is very excited about it. We are asking permission from the Board to till a strip of land on the side of the building towards the back. This is where grass has failed to grow and the plan is to plant a fairy garden. The DPW will replant grass where needed. The Board is fine with tilling the strip.

**DPW:** Superintendent Smith delivered the May report - Both dump trucks went to Albany for repairs on springs. As soon as TKC removes equipment at the garage, the salt shed can move forward. Ft Miller has completed the base of the fountain. It will need painting, ground preparation and delivery.

**Mayor:** Mayor Report May 2025: A special thank-you to the Fire Department for the mutual aid response to the Victory Mills fire. BOA Pre-Development grant - **Zoning Updates:** The committee met in April to discuss final items/debrief on March workshop. LaBella is preparing the compiled draft zoning code, including re-organizing for consistency with the Town zoning code. The plan is for the Village to adopt the zoning code by the end of the year, so that in January the Town/Village ZBA & Planning Boards can be established. **Town Water District:** the Town Board will be voting on establishing the water district at the 5/13 meeting. The Town will then apply for WIIA funding for the project. Further discussions on the Town/Village agreement to provide water to the new district should continue. **Dunbarton sewer extension:** The engineering report is being finalized based on the findings of the geotech borings completed in March. A spill was reported to the DEC based on the soil that was observed in the Elbow Street boring. Utilities were marked out and GPR survey is being conducted within the next 5-10 days to identify any tanks. DEC anticipates conducting further investigation and cleanup. **Make the Connection Grant:** Kick-off meeting & walking tour held on 5/7 Survey of the corridor was initiated. LaBella is coordinating with DOT on the planned Main/Washington Square signal replacement & with B&L on the water project. We attended the AGFTC planning meeting yesterday and the Main Street project is on the draft TIP for \$1.1M !!! We still need to wait for it to be finalized after a public comment period but this could be huge to pair with TAP and NYF. **Town/Village Bike/Ped Plan:** the plan was posted by AGFTC for public comment. No comments were received, and the plan was finalized. This project is complete. **Church/academy:** looking for opportunities to advance implementation NYSDOT concept approval and funding. LaBella attended a meeting with the new rail nonprofit head, the county, and towns of Salem and Greenwich and shared the multi-use trail vision. We will continue to coordinate / identify funding opportunities to advance. **Dunbarton EPA grant:** Phase II ESA was completed. Comments on the Phase II ESA were received on May 5 and LaBella is revising the report accordingly. The comments are relatively minor. Asbestos Piles remain on the property. An abatement estimate was provided to the Village for planning purposes. EPA encouraged the Village to submit the project for EPA cleanup or multipurpose funding. The next round will likely open up in September. No match requirement. **NY Forward:** DOS kick-off was held on 5/6 and first LPC meeting will be in June, with monthly meetings through October. All meetings will be open to the public & noticed. After the first LPC meeting a request for projects will be launched that will last 6+ weeks. Project sponsors (inc. those included in the application + new interest) have been reaching out - anticipating good pool of projects for the funding

**Old Business:**

Personnel Policy Revisions. The draft of revisions was never formally adopted back in April.

**Motion to approve** Personnel Policy Revisions dated March 2025 so moved by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Moore and carried by all.

**Motion to accept 6.1.2025 Water/Sewer billing so moved by** Trustee Vandewater, seconded by Trustee Grimmke and carried by all

Water	\$108,446.58	
Water Reserve	\$13,480.00	
Sewer	\$31,386.52	
Sewer Reserve	\$2,844.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$156,157.10</b>	Arrears -\$1060.29
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$155,096.81</b>	<b>Bills total 891</b>

**Resolution No13 of 2025 - Open a Capital Project for Village of Greenwich Downtown Safety and Accessibility Improvement Project, Pin 1763.26** made on a motion by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

**New Business:**

Three new wooden signs are being designed and priced. The green metal signs will be procured from the County sign shop.

**Permits**

- Gannon Park Permit – Lacey Bentley, GCS First Grade class on 6.18.25 from 9am-noon. Approved
- Mowry Park Permit – Centenary United Methodist Church. Building Beds for Children on 9.20.25 from 8:00am – 3:00pm. Rain date 10.4.25. Approved
- Mowry Park Permit – GYC – Banner placement from June 14 – July 11. Approved

**Correspondence**

- Mayor Hurley read a letter from Mayor James Sweeney of Cambridge. He wrote a letter to the Village Board informing the Village of Greenwich of Chief Robert Danko's return to duty on June 6, 2025 in an administrative capacity which is considered a transitional re-entry into the department.

**7:39 - Motion to close the Regular Meeting** and move into Executive Session to discuss personnel and contract negotiation made by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

**7:46 Motion to close Executive Session** and adjourn by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Moore and carried by all.

Respectfully submitted.

Jane Dowling – Village Clerk