

Regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
October 20, 2025 – 7:00pm – DRAFT

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenwich was held October 20, 2025, in the Board Room at 6 Academy St. Present were Mayor Hurley, Trustees: Vandewater, Grimmke, Robinson and Moore, as well as Attorneys Kelly and Morelli, CCGY Vice-President Mumby, Chief Danko and DPW Superintendent / Fire Chief Smith. Mayor Hurley opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Vouchers

General Fund Voucher numbers 134 – 204 totaling \$223,200.92

Water Fund Voucher numbers 28 – 38 totaling \$135,832.65

G Fund Voucher numbers 23 -31 totaling \$19,882.34

Water Improvement numbers 8 – 11 totaling \$20,767.44

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

Approval of the draft Meeting Minutes from September 8, made on a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

Department Reports:

Fire: Chief Smith delivered the September report: 21 calls: EMS calls – 14. Rescue extrication 0, fire 3, hazards 0, service calls 3, Motor vehicle accidents 1, and 0 alarm activations. Mutual aid given – 5 to Cossayuna, Easton, Middle Falls, and Hartford. Mutual Aid received: 0. Total incidents for the month: 26. Fire and Emergency response hours – 58.5, training hours 190 and activity – 466.5 for a total of 715 hours. GFD Fit for Duty 5k Run and Walk was well attended on October 4th at 9am. GFD attended the funeral service for Orla Bain who died at 100 years with 67 years of service to the department. Firefighters Nick Marci and Faith Alheim are currently enrolled in the NYS EMT course being offered in Easton Greenwich Rescue Squad. Firefighter Liam Curley successfully graduated from FF1 interior class and is currently enrolled in Vehicle Rescue and Extraction class. Mayor Hurley asked if anything can be done about the reoccurring false alarms at the empty Big Lots building. A call to the management company may be in order.

Police: Chief Danko delivered the September report - There were 8 cases reported to the DCJS in September totaling 137 reported for the year. Arrests totaled 2 with 29 arrests for the year. There were 112 calls logged by County Dispatch for the month 803 for the year. Two motor vehicle accidents handled, along with vehicle and traffic law and suspensions. Cases handled were domestics, menacing, harassment, larceny and criminal mischief. The Mayor commented she had feedback from the officer on duty last weekend, that protestors were not using the crosswalks as well as stepping into the road causing road crowding.

DPW: Superintendent Smith delivered the September report – Average gallons pumped per day is 146,000 Total gallons pumped for the month was 4,387,000. Daily average wastewater treated 29,765. Total gallons treated 892,940. Salt shed costs and budget so far; 104 blocks \$8,000, blacktop will be \$10,000. So these two materials are \$18,000 without other necessary components such as wood and roofing material. The three signs have been picked up from West Signs and should up by the end of the week. The fountain was delivered but taken back to Ft. Miller for fitting adjustment and should be back shortly.

Mayor: Mayor Hurley delivered the September report: **Zoning Update** - A public hearing is being scheduled at our meeting tonight as we continue moving the Zoning Code updates forward. The IMA is also being revised this evening to reflect seven members. Overall, the project remains on target for adoption by the end of the year, the Town passed the IMA but is also revising to the 7-year term limit. **Dunbarton Sewer Engineering Report** - The engineering report is currently going through final internal QA/QC review. **Town Water District Connection** - The Town has submitted a WIIA grant application to advance their water district project. Awards are expected to be announced by the end of the year. If approved, the project will involve coordination with the Village, as our systems are connected. **Streetscape Project** - Field work and base mapping have been completed by Azar Design Group, with final edits underway based on utility record research. The team continues preparation of the Draft Design Report and supporting technical materials, as well as schematic plans that will accompany the report. Coordination is ongoing with Barton & Loguidice regarding the planned water main upgrade within the same project limits. The SHPO package has been submitted, and we are awaiting NYSDOT's response. **Dunbarton Environmental** - The wetlands delineation report has been submitted to both the Village and NYSDEC. Final close-out steps are next, including the last quarterly ACRES report, which is due by the end of October, followed by the close-out report. Since the Village owns the property, we'll need to ensure the site remains secured. We're also awaiting the EPA NOFA to submit an EPA multipurpose grant application and a National Grid grant application. **Pro-Housing Certification & Funding** - LCLGRP is working on submitting our re-certification materials, pending some permit information from the County. A new funding opportunity is available — applications are due in late November — which can cover soft costs to advance housing efforts. There's no match required, and it's only available to Pro-Housing communities. The Village may want to consider applying to evaluate housing development opportunities on Village-owned land near the water tower and to prepare an RFP or RFOI. **New York Forward** - Next week, October 29th we are having our next LPC meeting at the High School Media Center from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. where we will be reviewing and finalizing our slate of projects to put forward to the State of New York. As a reminder, once the LPC submits the a slate of projects worth 6 to 8 million, it is the State of New York that will choose the projects that are funded from the 4.5 million we were awarded. **Water Project** - TKC is finishing up their work on Salem and Church Street and it will be done this week. J&K is back this week, finishing up the section of sidewalk from Mowry to the cemetery on Main Street. Weather permitting this work should be done by October 31st and they will return in the spring to finalize the landscaping and grass in the verge. **WWTP Upgrade** The DEC has confirmed that the new permit for the WWTP upgrade will include phosphorus monitoring for both concentration and load. In accordance with draft TOGS 1.3.6., it is likely that a phosphorus concentration limit of 1 mg/L will be applied to the facility in the future. They have no anticipated timeline for when that may happen. The engineering design continues, and as of September 20th it was 57% of the way complete.

Youth: Vice President Mumby delivered the September report: registrations are up from move-in date by 22, with daily attendance averaging 15. Additional staff has been hired and volunteers are always welcome. The AED will be moved over to the new space this week. Expanding activities ; GYC is looking for community talent / businesses to share, teach or perform with the kids.

Old Business:

Resolution No 25 of 2025 – Repeal and Replace Zoning Law- Initiate SEQRA 239-. Schedule Public Hearing for November 10 made on a motion by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

Authorize Mayor to sign FEAF Part 1 w/narrative to be sent to Washington County Planning Board for their review so moved by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

Repeal and Replace IMA Town /Village Zoning Boards 2025 Term of Office 7 years. Resolution No 24 passed 9.8.25, 7-year term is the only change. Passed on a motion by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all. Trustee Vandewater would like to see the ZBA and Planning Boards appoint the chair themselves, not leaving it to the Town and Village Boards which adds to the independence of the Boards. Attorney Kelly will look at Village law to see what that reads. Mayor Hurley thought this is a valid point and worth looking into.

Dunbarton updates – Attorney Morelli added that Notice of Entry was filed, which is the end of the case.

Furnace quotes for DPW Garage – One quote from Braymer for \$9700. At least two other quotes will be sought. This will be addressed at the next meeting.

Winter Parking- The Mayor recommends the following verbiage which would either amend the law or repeal and replace. “Street parking is prohibited for 24 hours following a snowfall of 1” or more. If snowfall of 1” or more occurs after the 24 hours, the restriction resets and extends for 24 hours from the end of the most recent qualifying snowfall. Parking restrictions shall begin at the time of snowfall accumulations reaches 1” as determined by the Village DPW. Violations are subject to a \$25 fine and any other remedies available under Village Law #1 of 2002. The changes are 36 hours to 24 hours and commencing at midnight to the actual accumulation of 1”. To be voted on in November. The pilot program that the village will try out is a no cost parking permit that residents may apply for which will allow them to park on Bleeker St. between Academy and Hill. Permits will be issued and verified by the Village to ensure eligibility. The reason for Bleeker is the width which would allow for plowing.

Ratify the GYC Use Agreement - Motion made by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

Personnel Policy Revisions to be added in Section 3: Hours and Attendance- “Employees of the Village of Greenwich who are volunteer, or emergency responders will be permitted to respond to a fire or emergency during the normal workday without any reduction of normal pay. This provision applies to emergency response and is not intended to cover administrative tasks or post-call activities such as cleaning equipment or restocking trucks or assisting at the firehouse once an emergency is over. This policy recognizes the essential role of mutual aid and supports response to emergencies beyond village boundaries as part of coordinated regional public safety efforts”. Conditions apply. Mayor Hurley pointed out that there is no current policy that covers this and it is a formalization of current practice. This will be finalized at the November meeting.

New Business:

Community Center Condition Report – No update other than waiting for proposals back from contractors. Trustee Grimmke wants a detailed plan to stabilize the building. Trustees Grimmke and Vandewater will connect with the structural engineer from LaBella.

Police Department will move downstairs to the suite vacated by the Chamber of Commerce.

Accept 10.1.2025 Water/Sewer billing made on a motion by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Vandewater and carried by all.

Water	\$116,283.8	
Water Reserve	\$11,040.00	
Sewer	\$38,743.67	
Sewer Reserve	\$2,916.00	
Total	\$168,983.47	Arrears \$11,513.08
Total	\$180,496.55	Bills total 892

Tractor Parade Contract - Mayor Hurley provided the background that approving festivals and events by the Village legally obligates us to provide municipal services, such as police protection which we cannot charge extra for. This contract acknowledges that the approval of an event means there is a benefit to the community; economic, cultural, historical etc which justifies the expense incurred by the Village. This document formalizes the process. Approved on a motion by Trustee Grimmke, seconded by Trustee Robinson and carried by all.

Permits

Falloween Event Permit – Submitted by Rulyn Graves on behalf of business owners. To take place on Main St Historic District, Washington Square and various storefronts. 10.25. 2025; 8:00am – 6:00pm. Participants and organizers will be responsible for clean-up. Approved

Peddlers Permit – 6 months, food truck to be parked at Argyle Brewing submitted by Jason Willette. Approved

Correspondence

Rough and Ready window donation request for replacement window(s) for \$1,500. Trustee Kelly said this could be done as a sponsorship. The budget will be looked at either this year or next year.

Public Comment

Michael Casey proposed a winter parking system, currently used in Plattsburgh, that relies on lights, signs, and digital communications to inform residents of parking restrictions and availability. The board is open to exploring messaging options going forward.

8:15pm – Motion to close Regular Meeting made by Trustee Grimmke, carried by Trustee Moore and carried by all.

Respectfully submitted. Jane Dowling – Village Clerk