MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF BELMONT - COUNTY OF ALLEGANY

February 16, 2026

Present: Mayor DeTine Trustees: Schmitt, Healy and Evans

Absent: Trustee Grantier

Employees: Officer Sherman

Public: Dan Woolston, Barb Woolston, Mark Presutti and Casey Jones
John Francisco (Town Superintendent) arrived at 7:30

The Board pledged the flag.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved on a motion by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to accept Court Cash report made by Trustee Healy, 2nd by Trustee Evans and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Motion to accept financial report, payroll records and pay bills on Abstract #9 made by Trustee Healy, 2nd by Trustee Evans and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's as follow; General $5772.99 Water $1131.82 and Sewer $2517.26

Mayor DeTine stated to the board that he would like to push the Police Department ahead on the agenda, due to Officer Sherman could not stay for the whole board meeting.

The board agreed.

Officer Sherman reviewed the police report with the board.

Officer Sherman reviewed two quotes for the hardware needed for the installation to mount the Trac system from Advanced Electronic Design Inc.

Motion to approve a quote for $535.00 made by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Officer Sherman dismissed himself at 7:10 pm.

Mayor DeTine informed the board and the public that he does not want to go any further on the Historic District until he holds a public meeting and invites the 31 property owners that are on the list.

Motion to close the regular meeting to hold the public hearing for the Proposed Local Law 1 of 2026 to exceed the tax cap made by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Trustee Schmitt made a motion to close the public meeting and return to the regular meeting, 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and o no's at 7:20 PM.

Motion to accept sewer adjustment for the ARC made by Trustee Schmitt, 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Nothing to report for water department.

Nothing to report for sewer department.

Dan Woolston discussed the property on Hood Road, along with financials and the equipment that is at the Fire Hall on Schuyler Street. He also wanted to clear up any misunderstandings or questions that the Village may have.

Mayor DeTine stated that he has no issues at all with the Fire Company or District and appreciates all they do.

The Board agreed.

There was a brief discussion, as to possible plans for the Firehall, once the Fire Company has moved into the new building.

John Francisco (Town Superintendent) discussed with the board the MOU (memo of understanding).
They also discussed responsibilities for curb boxes that are located in the Village, but the property is in the Town.

Mayor DeTine replied that the Village will service those curb boxes.

Mayor DeTine and John also discussed Billing program and project costs.

Mayor DeTine asked John about the Town having their own license water operator.

John stated that he does have someone in mind.

Casey Jones asked if the Village requested proposals from other engineers.

Mayor DeTine replied yes.

The clerk submitted a solicitors/peddlers permit application for "The Dog Doctor"

Motion to accept the permit made by Trustee Schmitt 2nd by Trustee Healy and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine informed the board that Payton is working out very well, the guys are very happy with him and his performance.

Motion to make Payton Grantier as a full-time laborer made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Schmitt and carried on a vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's.

Mayor DeTine asked the board about the proposal for adopting the Local Law 1 of 2026 to exceed the tax cap.

A motion was made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Schmitt to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Village of Belmont to adopt Local Law 1 of 2026,

VILLAGE OF BELMONT

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PASS LOCAL LAW #01 OF 2026

Resolution No. 26-10
Date February 16, 2026

WHEREAS, a request has been made to adopt a local law to authorize the Village Board of the Village of Belmont to adopt a 2026-2027 budget for the Village of Belmont that exceeds the tax cap imposed by the state law as outlined in General Municipal Law 3-c;

WHEREAS, the board has complied with the provisions of General Municipal Law 3-c and held a Public Hearing on the proposed local law on February 16, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Village of Belmont has determined that it may be necessary to exceed said limit in order to maintain essential Village services and meet financial obligations in the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Belmont approves and passes Local Law 1 of 2026, as attached

Local Law No. 1 (One) of the Year 2026

A local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c

Section 1. Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this Local Law to allow the Village of Belmont to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1st, 2026, which requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law 3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This Local Law is adopted pursuant to Subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law Section 3-c, which expressly authorizes a local government's governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Belmont, County of Allegany, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing June 1st, 2026, that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law 3-c

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Local Law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm, or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the secretary of State

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions of this local law is held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of the local law shall remain in effect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village clerk shall cause the local law to be filed with the Secretary of State, upon which is filing, the local law shall take effect.

Motion: Evans
Seconded: Schmitt

Vote:	Mayor - DeTine	Aye
	Trustee - Evans	Aye
	Trustee - Healy	Aye
	Trustee - Schmitt	Aye
	Trustee - Grantier	Absent

The above Resolution was duly adopted on Monday February 16, 2026 by the Village of Belmont Village Board.

_____ Date_____
Jennifer L. Cline, Village Clerk

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM on a motion made by Trustee Evans, 2nd by Trustee Schmitt and carried on vote of 4 ayes and 0 no's

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Cline
Clerk/Treasurer