

July 7, 2026

At 7:00 PM, Mayor Sherwood called the meeting to order, followed by the pledge to the flag.

The following were present:

Patricia Sherwood	Mayor
Steve Dominessy	Trustee
Anthony Giboo	Trustee

Clerk Gina Maltby

Absent from meeting: Trustee Brandon Stearns, Trustee Mary Farrington

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent of Public Works Daren Smith, Code Enforcement Officer Chris Lexer, Treasurer Chris Edmunds, Fire Chief Jeff Holmes and department member Chris Hazeltine, Dog Control Officer Jeremy Lavery, Village resident Sandra Cook.

MINUTES

Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, moved suspension of the reading of the Minutes of the previous board meeting June 2, 2026 as Board members had been supplied copies. Carried. Mayor Sherwood announced that corrections and alterations would then be heard, and concluding there were none, the minutes stand approved. Carried.

PUBLIC

No one in attendance wished to speak during the public session.

REPORTS

Treasurer Edmunds: board members supplied a copy of the year-end budget transfers for 2025-2026. Water was overspent by almost \$12,000, will come out of fund balance. General side was better than expected. Previously spoke with Fire Department about unused funds being transferred to reserve; a total of \$10,985.71 unused amongst all budget lines for the Fire Department. Up to the board on how much to transfer. The May budget report may appear in the negative as it does not account for grant amount. Once transfers are made within the next few days, books will be closed and financial report will be submitted to the state. New internet router should be installed tomorrow.

#690 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Moved by Trustee Dominessy, seconded by Trustee Gibo, to transfer funds in the amount of \$10,985.71 to A231 Fire Department reserve.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Fire Chief Jeff Holmes advised there were 28 calls for the month of June:

EMS CALLS

Village	7
Town of Yorkshire	7
Town of Freedom	1

HAZARDOUS CONDITION

Village	2
Town of Yorkshire	4

MEDICAL ALERT ACTIVATION

Village	3
Town of Freedom	1

ODOR INVESTIGATION

Village	1
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MERCY FLIGHT LANDING

Chief Holmes advised the board that the department was busy one day due to storm damage. Department physicals were last Monday, June 29th. All members attended except for six. Of those six: one has completed their physical, one person is offline until they get theirs done, two members are going offline August 1st and two others are going offline September 1st. Members will go offline unless they get their physical done before their offline date. A boot drive will be taking place Saturday the 11th, starting at 10:00 AM.

Superintendent of Public Works Daren Smith reported the following:

- 1.) This month and last month has been busy. Dealt with tree damage from storms, put extra load on chipping and the state cleaned up one tree that came down on Main. Still needs to chip the load they brought out back.
- 2.) Trying to keep up with mowing and weed eating.
- 3.) Has been working up at springs. Still unable to get to last spring due to trees down.
- 4.) Prepped the gazebo up town so Girl Scouts could do the floor paint. The railings of the gazebo were worse than thought.
- 5.) Helped the Town one day; a couple of the Town guys helped him on and off. Has worked out.
- 6.) Flags he and Trustee Giboo put up came back down quick due to storms.
- 7.) Diane Owens worked on the flower beds up by the Church Street parking lot and got them done before the fourth.
- 8.) Got one water meter changed that was bad; still has other one to do.

Clerk Gina Maltby reported the following:

- 1.) Prepared Vouchers and Abstract
- 2.) Cash receipts provided to each board member.
- 3.) One parking tag was issued in the month of June.
- 4.) Outstanding water to be paid: \$11,911.94.
- 5.) Outstanding taxes to be collected: \$22,419.42.
- 6.) 5% penalty has been added to unpaid taxes for the month of July.
- 7.) The link for the engineering report on the sewer project has been uploaded onto the website.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 1.) A remittance in the amount of \$2,531.39 was received from National Grid.
- 2.) Clerk Maltby read a letter that was received from a Village resident on the sewer project.
- 3.) A letter from Cattaraugus County Office of Emergency Services was passed around for the board to review. The letter pertains to the County and Municipalities/emergency medical service agencies developing a comprehensive Emergency Medical Services plan to evaluate and strengthen EMS delivery throughout each County. The County requests that stakeholders send up to two representatives to the kick-off meeting that will be held on July 21, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the Great Valley Department Clubhouse. Board members to discuss who will be attending; Clerk Maltby advised RSVP is due the 10th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1.) **Sewer Project:** Code Enforcement officer Chris Lexer advised that the informational meeting went well and a lot of questions were answered. The Village is in good shape right now to get more funding. Between now and the fall, survey, photos, etc. to start construction engineering. Anticipates that after the first of the year, engineering will start. Another informational meeting could be held; if not, could see how winter goes then have another informational meeting in the spring. Will have better idea of costs. Easement signings, etc. next summer. Goal is to break ground in 2028, start hooking up to houses around spring of 2029. Answered questions on charge being added to Village resident tax bills. WQIP grant submission was due by the end of June, everything submitted and all set. A Congressional grant will be applied for in the fall. Will have to wait until further along in the project to apply for other grant. Answered resident question on who ordered the sewer project: advised resident that the County has been recommending the Village do this project for years due to failing septic systems and issues with

septic systems, etc. The process on the sewer project was started in 2023 by the Village Board; they make ultimate decision.

- 2.) **Zoning variances:** Lexer advised the board that a bill to the Town of Yorkshire on zoning variances is included in the vouchers. Town handles Village's since Village was unable to get zoning board members. Reviewed the invoice and went over charges. Residents currently pay \$100.00 to apply; the Town is charging the Village the same amount. Wanted to explain why the bill is there; would like to amend zoning to allow sheds in the future since setbacks on them are aggressive. If possible, would save residents the cost of having a variance done on those. Village law is \$45.00 for area variance; changing fee to \$75.00 or \$100.00 would cover area and use variances and interpretations. Will talk with Attorney to get everything in motion, could have public hearing before next board meeting on it.

#691 AREA VARIANCE FEE

Moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, to approve increasing the Village's area variance fee from \$45.00 to \$100.00.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

#692 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, to schedule a public hearing on August 4, 2026 at 7:00 PM to discuss accessory structure allowances.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

#693 WLB SOFTWARE SUPPORT CONTRACT SIGNING

Moved by Trustee Dominessy, seconded by Trustee Giboo, to approve of and authorize Mayor Sherwood to sign the Williamson Law Book Company annual software support contract for the Accounting Software for a total of \$2,048.00

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

#694 NY RPT LAW 626 SPECIAL FRANCHISES

The following resolution was moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy:

WHEREAS Time Warner Cable franchise fees paid to the Treasurer have exceeded the amount of taxes due under the NYS Real Property Law Section 626(2), now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Clerk will contact the County to have the base tax amount of \$73.78 Springville 194 bill #000408 (and any penalties due and owing) overrode.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

#695 RESIGNATION OF CROSSING GUARD

Clerk Maltby read Crossing Guard Kathleen Norton's letter of resignation to the board. With regret, the board approved her resignation with an effective date of June 26, 2026.

Moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, to approve the resignation.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

#696 CROSSING GUARD AD

Moved by Trustee Dominessy, seconded by Trustee Giboo, to place an ad for crossing guard. Crossing guard position is 8:15 AM to 9:00 AM on school days.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

#697 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, to approve the following transfers, including \$10,985.71 to A231 Fire Reserve:

From			To		
Amount	Account	#	Amount	Account	#
\$			\$		
437.91	Clerk-Equipment	A1410.200	437.91	Clerk- CE	A1410.400
350.00	Board- CE	A1010.400	350.00	Clerk- CE	A1410.400
133.28	Mayor- CE	A1210.400	133.28	Clerk- CE	A1410.400
135.30	Mayor- CE	A1210.400	135.30	Attorney- CE	A1420.400
106.42	Mayor- CE	A1210.400	106.42	Elections- CE	A1450.400
302.96	Treasurer- CE	A1325.400	302.96	Elections- CE	A1450.400
151.91	Buildings- EQ	A1620.200	151.91	Buildings- PS	A1620.100
1,212.73	Buildings- EQ	A1620.200	1,212.73	Buildings- CE	A1620.400
503.20	Buildings- EQ	A1620.200	503.20	Municipal Assoc Dues	A1920.400
\$					
3,333.71	Total Govt Support Transfer		\$3,333.71	Total Govt Support Transfer	

\$	Fire Dept ResSq- CE	A3410.470	\$	Fire Dept Ins- CE	A3410.450
3,313.00			3,313.00		
36,915.92	Fire Dept- CE	A3410.470	36,915.92	Fire Dept- EQ	A3410.200
			Increase A3410.450 by \$34,908.49		
448.26	Fire Dept ResSq- CE	A3410.460	448.26	Fire Dept- CE	A3410.470
496.42	Fire Dept ResSq- CE	A3410.490	496.42	Fire Dept- CE	A3410.460
3,753.95	Fire Dept- EQ	A3410.200	3,753.95	Fire Dept- CE	A3410.460
\$					
44,927.55	Total Public Safety Transfers		\$44,927.55	Total Public Safety Transfers	

\$10,985.71 remains in fire dept appropriations, with board approval, these funds can be

transferred to A231 Fire Reserve at an amount the board chooses.

\$ 1,148.05	Street Maint- Lab PS	A5110.110	\$1,148.05	Street Maint- OT PS	A5110.101
72.60	Street Maint-CE	A5110.440	72.60	Street Maint- Phone	A5110.460
1,602.82	Sidewalks	A5410.400	1,602.82	Street Lighting- CE	A5182.400
\$ 2,823.47	Total Transportation Transfer		\$ 2,823.47	Total Transportation Transfer	

\$ 611.52	Youth Program- CE	A7310.400	\$ 611.52	Playground & Rec- EQ	A7140.200
\$ 611.52	Total Culture and Rec Transfer		\$ 611.52	Total Culture and Rec Transfer	

\$ 35.00	Workers Comp	A9040.800	\$ 35.00	Disablittlity Insurance	A9055.800
\$ 35.00	Total Employee Benefit Transfer		\$ 35.00	Total Employee Benefit Transfer	

General Fund Total Interfund Transfers

\$51,119.73

General Fund Transfers less Fire Grant

\$16,211.24

Water Fund

From			To		
Amount	Account	#	Amount	Account	#
\$ 1,317.53	Fund Balance	F599	\$1,317.53	Water Admin-PS	F8310.100
1,232.36	Fund Balance	F599	1,232.36	Water Admin-PS Treas	F8310.101
91.63	Fund Balance	F599	91.63	Water Admin-CE	F8310.410
395.99	Fund Balance	F599	395.99	Purification- PS	F8330.100
2,000.00	Purification- EQ	F8330.200	14,180.86	Purification- CE	F8330.400
1,472.43	Purification- B/U PS	F8330.430			
1,700.00	Purification- B/U CE	F8330.431			
856.00	NYS Retirement	F9010.800			
1,188.38	Workers Comp	F9040.800			
549.44	Med Ins	F9060.800			
6,414.61	Fund Balance	F599			

28.81	Trans Dist- PS	F8340.100	4,022.20	Trans Dist- PS OT	F8340.101
3,993.39	Tran Dist- EQ	F8340.200			
174.26	Trans Dist- EQ	F8340.200	174.26	Trans Dist- PS Labor	F8340.110
1,165.79	Trans Dist- EQ	F8340.200	3,568.18	Trans Dist- CE	F8340.400
2,402.39	Fund Balance	A599			
147.16	Medical Ins	F9060.800	147.16	Social Security	F9030.800

Total Interfund Transfers \$13,275.66

**Total App Fund Balance
Transfers**

\$11,854.51

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Treasurer Edmunds advised the board that NYCOM has an upcoming conference in Saratoga Springs. Would be eight hours of classes for four days and covers accounting and capital projects, etc. Seeking board's approval for him to attend, cost is \$575.00. If not able to fit into schedule, can rescind.

#698 NYCOM CONFERENCE

Moved by Trustee Dominessy, seconded by Trustee Giboo, to approve Treasurer Edmunds attending the NYCOM conference in Saratoga Springs at the cost of \$575.00.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Fire Department member Chris Hazeltine advised the board that with the Village's internet being down, other issues have been brought to light. Department has been discussing getting their own internet that they would have their own bill for and pay for. Considering getting invisible internet through Spectrum that would stay up and running, even during power outages. Would take it out of their budgetary lines, would be an extra \$80.00 per month.

#699 FIRE DEPARTMENT INTERNET

Moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, to approve the Fire Department moving forward with obtaining their own internet.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Dog Control Officer Jeremy Lavery provided the following report:

Had two dog bites – one child, one adult – on separate occasions. Health department and SP were involved.

Received complaint of a dog tied out with no water.

Been working on multiple unlicensed dogs in the Village.

Spoke with six homeowners on overgrown lawns; improvements made.

Five homes with unregistered vehicles. Most got taken care of.

Spoke with two homeowners on cleaning up junk in yard. One has made progress.

Spoke with three residents about putting garbage out with stickers. Some didn't know had to be privatized.

Spoke with one resident about cats and smell. Spoke with health department, nothing can be done.

PAY CLAIMS

The bills for the previous month of June were presented and audited. It was moved by Trustee Giboo, seconded by Trustee Dominessy, to make payment of \$58,751.74 Abstract #002, \$51,321.10 General Fund Claims and \$7,430.64 in payment of Water Fund.

Trustee Dominessy aye, Trustee Farrington absent, Mayor Sherwood aye, Trustee Stearns absent, Trustee Giboo aye.

3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent, Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:17 PM it was moved by Trustee Dominessy, seconded by Trustee Giboo to adjourn. Carried.

Village Clerk Gina Maltby