

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
VILLAGE OF EAST WILLISTON
May 13, 2024**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of East Williston was held on Monday, May 14, 2024, at 7:30 pm at the Village Hall, 2 Prospect Street, East Williston, New York. Present were Mayor Parente, Deputy Mayor Gallo, Trustees Raffaella Dunne, James Iannone & Rushi Vaidya.

At 7:35pm Mayor Parente opened the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees and the East Williston Fire Department led the Pledge of Allegiance. She then presented the winners of the 2023 Photo Contest with their prizes. Chloe Tso won first place & Ronnie Kelapire won third place. The second-place winner has not been identified.

MOTIONS

A motion that the minutes from the April 1, 2024 Board of Trustees reorganizational meeting be approved was made by Deputy Mayor Gallo and seconded by Trustee Vaidya. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion that the minutes from the April 15, 2024 Board of Trustees business meeting be approved was made by Trustee Dunne and seconded by Trustee Iannone. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion to approve the audited vouchers on the Check by Date report dated May 13, 2024, was made by Mayor Parente and seconded by Deputy Mayor Gallo. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion that the Board of Trustees authorize the Mayor to sign the Intermunicipal Agreement with Nassau County for grant funds for the purchase of good and services in connection with improvements to village hall was made by Trustee Iannone and seconded by Trustee Vaidya. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion that the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of \$22,960.90 for the purchase of the fire department heavy duty washer extractor (\$16,600.90) and the associated costs for plumbing (\$5,380.00) and electrical connections (\$980.00) which will be covered by a grant (there is a 5% Village match in the amount of \$1,148.05) was made by Deputy Mayor Gallo and seconded by Trustee Dunne. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion that the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of \$40,688.32 for the purchase of fire hoses which is 100% reimbursable through a grant (there is no Village match required) was made by Trustee Vaidya and seconded by Trustee Dunne. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion that the Board of Trustees ratify the decision for the Village Clerk to send a 10-day property maintenance letter to the owners of 26 Orchard Meadow Road was made by Mayor Parente and seconded by Trustee Iannone. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

The motion to consider a date for a Village-wide tag sale was moved to a future meeting pending more details and a plan for a pick-up service at the end of the sale.

A motion that the Board of Trustees consider the application of a block party request submitted by the residents of Dickson Circle for June 29, 2024 (Rain date June 30, 2024) was made by Mayor Parente and seconded by Trustee Dunne. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:09pm by Mayor Parente, seconded by Trustee Vaidya. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

REPORTS

MAYOR BONNIE PARENTE

Mayor Parente reported that the car show was an exceptional community event attended by many residents and non-residents. Organized by Kevin Parente Sr and Cesar Romero, they had over 100 cars participate.

The mayor announced that two hydrants are being replaced at the end of this week and residents should expect brown water and should follow regular protocol for flushing their water lines. She also mentioned that the middle school marching band is not able to march in the Memorial Day parade this year and we are looking for alternatives. Mayor Parente instructed the Village Clerk to advise the ice cream truck that he can resume selling on Friday nights until Labor Day. She also advised that the Gold Tree Lighting is scheduled for Friday September 6, 2024.

Mayor Parente mentioned that Trustee Iannone is researching whether the Village should replace the existing toddler park surface with a new material or refresh the existing material. She also reported that Trustee Iannone was the guest speaker at the last Village Court Experience and Trustee Iannone reported that there were eight attendees, and the evening went very well. Mayor Parente then reported that the Board is meeting with residents (that are immediately affected) on May 28th to discuss the possible installation of a sidewalk along southeast side of East Williston Avenue.

DEPUTY MAYOR ANTHONY GALLO

Deputy Mayor Gallo reported that the Department of Public Works has prepared and opened the tennis courts for the season and will begin planting village trees shortly. He also announced that the Little League game under the lights and the send off game is scheduled for May 24th. He also reported that the East Williston Fire Department responded to 16 calls: 2 fire, 8 general, and 6 medical calls. He also reported that although he was unable to personally attend the department's installation dinner on May 11th, the following fire fighters were honored: John Signorelli – Fire Fighter of the Year, Rich Abbot - EMS Top Responder of the Year, Pat Theodore for 30 years of Service, Matt Vecchione for 15 years of Service and Jim Hanel for 5 years of Service.

TRUSTEE RAFFAELA DUNNE

Trustee Dunne reported that the library's community summer activities are gearing up, including story time on the green, toddler yoga, Wednesday evenings on the green. The tent party is scheduled for June 8th. She also reported that the 100th anniversary committee has been meeting to start organizing events for centennial celebration taking place in 2026. They are asking residents

for any East Williston artwork they may have in their possession that they would like to share for inclusion in a coffee table book being created.

TRUSTEE JAMES IANNONE

Deputy Mayor Iannone presented the Village Justice Court report for April 2024; he reported a total of 28 parking violations were received in April. The Court disposed of parking 30 parking violations, 5 moving violations and 3 village ordinance violations. Total monies collected was \$5,319.00.

He also reported that the East Williston Senior Group will meet on Thursday May 16th, and he encouraged all seniors to attend or to invite friends and family to participate.

TRUSTEE RUSHI VAIDYA

Trustee Vaidya reported that the utility vehicle (Gator) has been ordered and it is anticipated to be delivered in time for the Memorial Day events. He also noted that the beautification committee has been busy cleaning out the beds, decorating for spring and have ordered flats of Petunias that they hope to have planted before Memorial Day.

VILLAGE CLERK JOANNA PALUMBO

Village Clerk Palumbo presented the Nassau County Police Department crime report for East Williston for the months of March & April 2024, which included (in total) 1 auto accident at the intersection of Fairview Avenue & Roslyn Road, 17 aided cases, 1 residential burglary, 1 business burglary, and 2 parking violations.

She also reported that there were 5 building permits and 5 plumbing permits issued by the Village Building Department in April 2024.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, June 17, 2024.

A motion was made by Mayor Parente, seconded by Trustee Dunne to the close the meeting was made at 8:09pm. **The motion was passed unanimously.**

Minutes prepared by:
Joanna E. Palumbo, Village Clerk on May 14, 2024

Approved by the BOT on: 6/17/2024