

Village of Woodridge  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Regular Meeting  
MARCH 09,2026

Present: Mayor David Schlesinger, Deputy Mayor Yoranda Sanabria, Trustee Yitzchok Wertzberger, Trustee Carl Lomnitz and Trustee Celia Avadyaev.  
Also Present: Attorney Jeffrey Kaplan, Clerk Gloria Sanders, Treasurer Valerie Brown, Chief John Calvello and Highway Superintendent Tom Decker, Attorney Bryan Goldberger.  
Village Engineer William Illing via ZOOM.

Mayor Schlesinger opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

A motion was presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Trustee Lomnitz to accept the Minutes of February 17, 2026 as presented.

Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Lomnitz, seconded by Trustee Avadyaev, to pay bills for March 09, 2026 on the General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$13,841.82 Water Fund Abstract in the amount of \$18,142.61 and Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$17,853.88.

Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Trustee Lomnitz to accept the prepaid utilities in the amount of \$33,286.66.

Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Lomnitz, seconded by Trustee Avadyaev to accept the Kiwanis club schedule of activities.

Unanimous.

A motion to appoint Gloria Sanders as Deputy Tax Collector presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanabria.

Unanimous.

A motion for a resolution to declare William Illing as EBO representative presented by Trustee Lomnitz, seconded by Trustee Avadyaev.

Unanimous.

Treasurer Valerie Brown discussed a resolution for tax payment shortage/overage amount. She explained that setting an amount for acceptance would prevent some return payments on taxes if the check was short or over \$10.00.

Motion to accept resolution for tax payment shortage/overage in the amount \$10.00 voted as follows:

Trustee Wertzberger- yes Deputy Mayor Sanabria- yes  
Trustee Avadyaev- yes Trustee- Lomnitz- yes  
Mayor Schlesinger- yes

Motion to set spring cleanup date as the week of April 27<sup>th</sup> 2026, with an additional pickup for Passover presented by Trustee Avadyaev, seconded by Trustee Lomnitz.

Unanimous.

Attorney Kaplan discussed the usage for accessory dwellings. Attorney Kaplan expressed concern on a shortage of rental units. Attorney Kaplan explained zoning laws have a requirement to have one primary on property which is causing housing issues. He explained there is a limited supply of Air B and B's and second homes with the cost of housing increasing. Current zoning requirements do not allow for accessory dwellings, Attorney Kaplan recommended to send a letter to planning and zoning to adjust law under current code to allow for the Village of Woodridge to accommodate accessory dwellings.

Motion to send letter to Planning board asking to adjust law under current code to allow for accessory dwellings voted as follows:

Trustee Avadyaev- yes Trustee Wertzberger-yes  
Trustee Lomnitz- yes Deputy Mayor Sanabria-yes  
Mayor Schlesinger- yes

Motion to accept H2O amended proposal to process billing for the Village of Woodridge voted as follows:

Trustee Lomnitz- yes Trustee Wertzberger- yes  
Trustee Avadyaev-yes Deputy Mayor Sanabria-yes  
Mayor Schlesinger-yes

Seymour Striegold from the joint Fire District discussed the request of a fuel tank for the fire district. He stated that they were previously told they would need a permit from the DEC, permit is not required unless over 1,100.00 gallons among all Village tanks. Seymour requested a tank under 500 gallons to stay under this requirement with existing tanks on premises.

Motion for joint fire district to place, maintain and insure if needed a fuel tank under 500 gallons voted as follows:

Trustee Lomnitz- yes Trustee Wertzberger- yes  
Trustee Avadyaev- yes Deputy Mayor Sanabria-yes  
Mayor Schlesinger- yes

Tom Decker explained that the Highway Department will start spring work and cleanups when the snow is all gone; he will make a list of repairs needed.

Clerk Gloria Sanders presented a request from H2O for SBR motor replacement. Village Engineer Will Illing explained the importance of this replacement.

Motion to order replacement motor presented by Trustee Lomnitz, seconded by Trustee Avadyaev.

Unanimous.

Discussion was made in regards to the old police vehicle.

Trustee Lomnitz shared with everyone that it was the 200 Year anniversary of the Town of Fallsburg.

Motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss personnel issues presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanabria.

Motion to exit executive session at 7:20pm to return to public portion of the meeting presented by Trustee Lomnitz, seconded by Trustee Wertzberger.

Motion presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanabria for Clerk Gloria Sanders to send a letter to department heads for computer/equipment access and passwords for Computer Doctors as expressed in the January 05, 2026 board meeting to have one exclusive IT department.

Unanimous.

Motion presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanabria for Clerk Gloria Sanders to write a reminder letter to department heads as expressed in the January 05, 2026 board meeting to follow the procurement policy on spending.

Unanimous.

Motion presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanabria for Clerk Gloria Sanders to send a letter requesting a list of vehicles slated for auction to Tom Decker as expressed in the May 05,2025 board meeting.

Unanimous.

There being no further business a motion was presented by Trustee Wertzberger, seconded by Trustee Lomnitz to adjourn meeting at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gloria Sanders  
Clerk

