

Village of Woodridge
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
March 18, 2024

Present: Deputy Mayor Leni Binder, Trustees Ronald Kates, Yaakov Levine, and Asher Weiss.
Absent: Mayor Joan Collins.
Also Present: Attorney Jeffrey Kaplan, Tom Decker, Brenda Cohn, and Myra Bennett.

Deputy Mayor Binder opened the meeting at 12:30 pm.

A motion was presented by Trustee Kates, seconded by Trustee Weiss, to accept the Minutes of March 4, 2024, as presented. Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Weiss, seconded by Trustee Kates, to pay General Fund Abstract in the amount of \$12,872.35, Water Fund Abstract in the amount of \$20,106.00, and Sewer Fund Abstract in the amount of \$20,806.05. Unanimous.

Mr. Eric Akerley came before the Village Board to discuss a Memorial Day Tribute, to be held at the Firehouse and apron, and a motorcade will set a wreath at Veteran's Park. This will start at 3:00 pm, on Monday, May 27, 2024, at 3:00 pm. The Fire Department will need to borrow some tables and chairs. The Village Board gave their approval.

Tom Decker reported that the DPW has been clearing the Rails to Trails, and filling potholes.

Jim Gerrard the building located at 2 Maple Avenue has been condemned. There are many building permits being issued.

Steven Valastro from H2O Innovations reported that the Water Department will be flushing hydrants from April 9th – 26th. There might be a problem with the small screen processor at the Sewer Plant, he will keep the Board informed. The Water plant is running well.

Brenda Cohn informed the Village Board that we need to start working on Sanitation billing, the Board agreed to having a work session on April 1, 2024 at 5:30 pm, before the Village Board meeting.

Attorney Kaplan and the Village Board discussed the proposed Local Law 1, 2024, "Authorization to Conduct Video Conferencing Meetings", this would include all Village Boards.

A motion was presented by Trustee Kates, seconded by Trustee Levine, adopt Local Law 1, 2024. "Authorization to Conduct Video Conferencing Meetings" the attached law was adopted as follows:

Deputy Mayor Binder – Aye
Trustee Levine – Aye

Trustee Kates - Aye
Trustee Weiss – Nay

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A motion was presented by Trustee Weiss, seconded by Trustee Levine, to renew the phone and internet contract with Ring Squared for the amount of \$1197, monthly. Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Levine, seconded by Trustee Weiss, to participate in the Municipal Cleanup, Spring and Fall 2024. Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Weiss, seconded by Trustee Kates, to authorize Deputy Mayor Binder to sign the Loan Resolution for \$2,963,000 for constructing, improving the Drinking Water Facility. Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Weiss, seconded by Trustee Kates, to authorize Deputy Mayor Binder to sign the amendment with Municipal Solutions for the Water Tank Project, not to exceed \$49,000 . Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Levine, seconded by Trustee Weiss, to authorize Deputy Mayor Binder to sign the proposal in connection with Water Distribution Long – Term Closing with the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the amount of \$6,500. Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Kates, seconded by Trustee Weiss, to authorize Deputy Mayor Binder to sign the Environmental Facilities Corporation Certification for Architectural / Engineering Services for Water Distribution for Water Distribution Improvements for Barton & Loguidice. Unanimous.

Trustee Weiss and the Village Board had a discussion about the water & sewer plants growing in size and capacity, and how this will affect the increase maintenance and chemicals.

A motion was presented by Trustee Levine, seconded by Trustee Kates, to adjourn to Executive Session, to discuss a particular personnel issue, to reconvene. Unanimous.

A motion was presented by Trustee Levine, seconded by Trustee Kates, to return to the public portion of the meeting. Unanimous.

There was no action taken in the Executive Session, the topic to be revisited at the next Village Board meeting.

There being no further business, a motion was presented by Trustee Weiss, seconded by Trustee Kates, to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 pm. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra J. Bennett
Village Clerk