



VILLAGE OF NEW PALTZ BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting of Wednesday, **February 28, 2024**, at 7pm
Held at Village Hall, First Floor Meeting Room, 25 Plattekill Avenue

If you would like to participate in the meeting via Zoom click here:

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Land Acknowledgment: As a way of respecting, honoring, and creating awareness about our past, we begin our village board meetings by acknowledging that New Paltz is on the ancestral land of the Munsee, Esopus, and Lenape People.
 - a. Please join us in finding ways to support Indigenous Communities. See suggested links below. Please share with others, and help us expand this list:
 - i. [Lenape Center](#)
 - ii. [North American Indigenous Center of New York](#)
 - iii. [Neetopk Keetpok](#)
 - iv. [Ramapough Culture and Land Foundation](#)
 - v. [Native Forward: Scholarships for Native Students](#)
 - vi. [First Nations Development Institute](#)

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Announcements
 - o Updates From Ulster County Legislator **Limina Grace Harmon**

PUBLIC COMMENT

PUBLIC HEARING

1. RESUMES FROM 02/14/2024 - Draft Local Law Regarding Amendments to Chapter 132, Housing Affordable, sections § 132-3(A)(1)(2) and § 132-4(A). [Chapter 132. Housing. Affordable](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve the [02-14-2024](#) Meeting Minutes
2. Approve Event, Parade, and Street Closure Requests
 - a. Building Use Request - New Paltz International Exchange Committee, for Wednesday, March 20, 2024. The committee requests a waiver of insurance for this meeting with the Sister City Committee, to plan for the arrival of a delegation from Niimi City this Spring.
3. Approve Training or Conference Attendance and Cost

- a. None
- 4. Approve Payments
 - a. Payables
 - b. Approve DPW request to renew contract with Fischer Security & Electric Systems for upgraded alarms at the Rte 32, Orchard Lane and Henry Court pump stations, in the amount of \$2,475.00.
 - c. Google Renewal Quote from Suitebriar: 21 users at \$12/month per user = \$3,024.
 - d. [*Approve DPW request for permission to conduct emergency repairs to trickling filter one and two at the Wastewater Treatment Plant](#), necessary to conform with the NYS DEC notice of violation.
 - i. *The lowest estimate for the WWTP Trickling Filter Rehab Replacement Project was supplied by Coppola Associates in the amount of \$82,000.
 - ii. *The grit chamber parts cost is \$11,389.80. The Vendor is Jedonna LLC of Derby, CT.
 - e. *Approve Change Order #2 for the Wallkill Valley Rail Trail Connection Project to Henry W. Dubois (Empire State Trail), submitted by Alta Planning for work to be completed by Green Meadows Enterprises, in the amount of \$15,075. This field change incorporates revisions to the work within the NYSDOT Right-of-Way as per comments received from the Department on the highway work permit application. This project is being funded by Hudson Valley Greenway via reimbursement to VoNP.
 - f. [*Approve Change Order #4 for Contract VNP-231 \(Consent Order Compliance Sewer Remediation\)](#). Change Order #4 increases the Contract Amount by \$47,119.32, for additional work performed by Amity's subcontractor, Arold Construction, for sewer rehabilitation work on Huguenot Street (refer to Change Order #4 narrative and supporting documents). The subcontractor encountered conditions that required rehabilitation methods beyond the scope of the contract (i.e., heavy cleaning of cast iron pipe, and supplementary bypass operations), and was also requested to perform additional activities to facilitate the contract work (removal of debris and sediment in downstream sewers that were causing surcharging of sewers in the work area).
- 5. Appoint Nikki Koenig Nielson as an alternate member of the Planning Board.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 1. Utilities: The Central Hudson Rate Case, a Discussion with Ben Wolcott, Chief of Staff for Assemblymember Shrestha
- 2. Draft Local Law Regarding Amendments to Chapter 132, Housing Affordable, sections § 132-3(A)(1)(2) and § 132-4(A). [Chapter 132. Housing. Affordable](#), Discussion with Chair Terry Dolan of the Housing Board.
- 3. *Discussion: Short Term Rentals (Tabled to future meeting)
- 4. Announce GreenHouse Gas Initiative Kick off Meeting for Wednesday, March 8, 2024. Members of the Climate Smart Task Force and Village and Town Officials will gather on Wednesday, March 6 at 7pm in the first floor meeting room at Village Hall.
- 5. Authorize the Mayor to Sign Award Acceptance Form for an EFC Engineering Planning Grant to study solutions to harden the wastewater treatment plant. The award is \$50,000.
- 6. Ball courts project at Hasbrouck Park
- 7. Various Village sidewalk projects (Prospect, Church, and Huguenot)
- 8. Authorize the Mayor to submit a [Letter of Intent to apply to NY Restore Round 8 for the Ann Oliver House Restoration Project](#). [A sample of the submission form may be viewed here](#).
- 9. [*Revocable License agreement between Village of New Paltz and Legacy Dispensary](#)

10. *(Moved from 2a on Consent agenda). [Park Use App for HV Pride March & Festival](#), request to delay (refundable) deposit for post-event park clean-up (\$500).
11. Summer season full-time DPW employment and all-year part-time parking enforcement
12. *New Paltz Public Access Invoice for January 2024 (9 meetings uploaded Nov 29, 2023 - Jan 16, 2024, 16 hours, \$480).
 - a. Representative from Spectrum said they will retrieve data that shows how many viewers there have been for Channel 23 certain periods of time (1 hour, 5 hours, etc.) per month.
 - b. Decline in Public Access Channel 23 watchers? The second payment of FY 2024's Cable TV franchise fee was made recently. At \$27,203, this represents a (36%) decline in revenue for the Village since \$42,683 was received in 2013. This source of revenue for our local government has been declining annually. The decline may be more significant if one were also factoring in any Cable TV cost increases. Via the Federal Cable Act, municipalities, like the Village of New Paltz, are entitled to a percentage of gross revenues from cable TV operators who place their facilities in the public right-of-way. However, there is no franchise fee for online TV streaming services that use the same public right-of-way.
13. *[Resolution # of 2024: Pro-Housing Community](#)
14. [Resolution # of 2024 Bills and Claims](#)
15. Planning Board report from VB Liaison
16. Zoning Board of Appeals report from VB Liaison
17. *Pending litigation involving OCS Industries and related claims by New York State

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

ADJOURNMENT