

**Present:** Mayor William Peeler  
Deputy Mayor Tim Healey  
Trustees Lynn Dumar, Randy Wellman, Scott Sprague  
Clerk Treasurer Christine Kearns  
Street & Water Commissioner Christopher Weaver  
Code Enforcer Stan Waddle  
Village Attorney Michael Albanese  
Public Sal Riggi, Chris Dancy via Zoom

**Mayor Peeler Called Meeting to Order and Salute to Flag at 6:46p.m.**

**Correspondence** 6/6/22 Response from resident re: 64 E Main St. Apt House Proposal  
6/8/22 Slack Chemical – Price Increases  
6/9/22 CDPHP – Notice of Proposed Premium Rate Change  
6/13/22 Mohawk Valley Economic Development District – Community Impact Fellowship program, Students offer additional assistance to municipalities at no cost  
6/14/22 NYMIR – Recommendations for Village of Fonda after site visit – *Mayor Peeler to draft response with Clerk*  
6/16/22 Slack – Price Increases  
6/16/22 F.O.N.D.A. – Thank you for supporting  
7/1/22 Slack – Price Increase  
7/5/22 Braymer Law PLLC – Town of Mohawk Public Hearing Zoning Law change  
7/5/22 Montgomery Co Treasurer – Mortgage Tax distribution

**Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)** – May 9, 2022, Regular Motion to approve as written by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor.  
June 13, 2022, Regular Meeting Motion to approve as written by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar with all in favor

**Public** – **Sal Riggi** stated that on July 3<sup>rd</sup> he found someone lighting firework at the Village Park and asked them to stop and they complied, He thought the After the 4<sup>th</sup> went well, suggested telling vendors sooner what the date will be next year; **Mayor Peeler** stated it is the first Saturday after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, July 8, 2023; He also cautioned Mr. Riggi about approaching people in the Park.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Wellman with all in favor to correct the May 9, 2022, and June 13, 2022, minutes to add the Street & Water Commissioner Christopher Weaver in the attendance section.

**Resolution #15-2022** Credit of Village Taxes 2022-2023 Time Warner Cable Gloversville  
Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Wellman

WHEREAS, as a regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Fonda was convened in public session at the Municipal Building, 8 E. Main Street, Fonda, County of Montgomery, State of New York, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July 2022 at 6:30 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with Time Warner Cable Co. states no property taxes are levied for the duration of said agreement dated June 10, 2013

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF FONDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village Board hereby finds and determines that by virtue of the Section 626 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, and the cable franchise agreement Section 17(a) dated June 10, 2013 by and between Village of Fonda and Time Warner Entertainment-Advance/Newhouse Partnership d/b/a Time Warner Cable, the Village Board has been vested with the authority to approve the credit to assessments on Tax Bill No. 296 in the amount of \$637.29

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Resolution #16-2022** Amend FY 2021-2022 Budget to Account for the Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)  
Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey

General Fund increase account A4089 Fed Aid, Other by \$4,000.00, A3620.1 Bldg and Fire Code P/S, A5010.1 Supt of Highways P/S, A5110.1 Street Admin P/S Labor1, and A5110.102 Street Adm PS Labor2 each by \$1,000.00

Water Fund increase account FX4989 Fed Aid, Other by \$1,000.00 and account FX8330.101 PS Plant Operator by \$1,000.00

Sewer Fund increase account G4089 Fed Aid, Other by \$33,563.99 and account G1989.400 Engineer Consultant by \$33,563.99

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Resolution #17-2022** Transfers Allowed to Close Out FY 2021-2022

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar

To allow the Clerk Treasurer to transfer between subsidiary accounts within funds to close out Fiscal Year 6/1/2021-5/31/2022

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows

Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Resolution #18-2022** Correction to 2022-2023 Tax Rate

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar

Whereas, Resolution #11-2022 stated the 2022-2023 Village Property Tax rate was \$9.2282 per thousand; and

Whereas, There was a decrease to the Total Village Taxable Value in the amount of \$8,505;

Now, therefore let be resolved by the Board of Trustee of the Village of Fonda have adjusted the 2022-2023 Village Property Tax rate to \$9.2313 per thousand.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows  
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Resolution #19-2022** Correction to June 1, 2022, Clerk Wage Rate  
Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey

The Clerk Treasurer June 1, 2022, wage rate was erroneously stated as \$35,394.00 annually in Resolution #14-2022. The correct annual wage rate beginning June 1, 2022, for the Clerk Treasurer is \$35,020.00.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows  
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Resolution #20-2022** Agreement with Frothingham Free Library  
Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague

Resolved, that the Frothingham Free Library enter into an agreement with Village of Fonda to furnish Library privileges to the People of the Village of Fonda, pursuant to Section 256 of the Education Law, for the sum of 2,000.00 Dollars per year.

The resolution was put to vote and adopted as follows:

Roll Call Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Resolution #21-2022** Authorize Transfer of Money from Money Market Account and Transfer of ARPA Funds from the General Fund to the Sewer Fund

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey

Authorize the Clerk Treasurer to transfer \$26,436.01 from Money Market Account ending 4962 to the General Checking Account ending in 1040 and transfer \$33,563.99 from Line A688 – Other Liabilities ARPA to G4089 Fed Aid Other for use in paying Laberge Engineering Settlement Agreement signed by Mayor Peeler on April 11, 2022

The resolution was put to vote and adopted as follows:

Roll Call Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			

Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Mayor Report** – Discussion held regarding the variance for 22 Broadway, **Trustee Healey** no objection if owned by current owner, **Attorney Albanese** stated that you can't specify just current owner, it transfers with the property, there is a process to follow, application needs to be made, then a decision made; **Code Enforcer Waddle** stated there has been no application made yet, just a sketch presentation, have not applied. Mayor Peeler tabled topic to discuss in Executive Session; Received Capital Grant paperwork from Montgomery County regarding \$44,900.00 for the Flood Mitigation Study of Broadway Creek, only covers the portion in the Village, Town of Mohawk would have to do something for the portion of the creek outside of the Village, Tabled a decision until the end of the meeting for Attorney Albanese to look over paperwork; Would like to thank all the volunteers who helped at the After the 4<sup>th</sup>, need to look at ways to improve, Donations at event \$139.00, 50/50 \$84.00, food and drinks \$3,496.50, face painting \$96.00, car show \$920.00, parking \$1,542.00; Donations at office Keymark \$1,000.00 and BD Motorsports \$5,000.00; Aplin House has said they will make a donation of \$2,500.00 towards the park project; Left over food being sold for what we paid, beer will be return; Need everyone to be involved in the decision making; Would like to thank Paraskeva Excavating donated the outhouses, Boscos donated gift certificates, Stewart's donated ice cream, Prime Signs donated banner for face painting, Glen Ridge Motorsports brought cars for meet & greet, NYS Police Dive Team, Montgomery County Emergency Management, Montgomery County DPW and their electrician, Montgomery County Sheriff among others; Horse and pony rides were popular; Discussing with Brett Deyo, speedway promotor, about combining events in the future; Was contacted by a Town of Glen resident regarding noise ordinance in the Village, wouldn't say what the issue was, wanted a meeting, finally said it was an issue with the race track, informed him that there were time limits in the Village law regarding events.

**Street & Water Commissioner Report** – New filter scheduled to be here soon, prepping the roof to come off the building, currently spending a lot of time there, plant has to be turned on/off, by end of week will be switching to one filter to disassemble the other one and take it out; Having trouble getting chlorine, supplier is having trouble getting it, we ordered 4 pallets received 2, got 100 gallons from neighboring community; There has been an adjustment of \$36,000.00 in the grant for replacing piping to new style and add a valve inside the building to lagoons, Talked with Matt Lord from Prime Engineering, agrees it is appropriate to replace piping; Received estimates to replace furnace for the office and chemical room at the plant and a hanging heater for filter room.

**Code Enforcement Report** – Written, nothing to add.

**Trustee Reports** – **Trustee Dumar** asked Code Enforcer Waddle for an update on the stone wall across the street from the Municipal Office, Code Enforcer Waddle stated the property owner is checking with their insurance company; **Trustee Dumar** asked Mayor Peeler for an update on the sidewalk to the school on Cemetery St., Mayor Peeler stated he was waiting on Montgomery County.

**Mayor Peeler** asked Code Enforcer Waddle to draft a letter to residents on Main Street regarding the grass area between the sidewalk and road not being mowed, residents are responsible for that area. Thanked Code Enforcer Waddle for his efforts in trying to get bath house ready for the After the 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Mayor Peeler** turned the meeting over to Deputy Mayor Healey at 8:28pm

**Street & Water Commissioner Report (cont.)** – Currently one heater heats entire water plant using oil, rooms are being separated, estimate from Mancini Oil for hanging unit \$3,681.00, estimate for switching to propane in other area is \$3,324.00 also from Mancini Oil, fuel tank is currently in the building and would need replacement anyway. **Trustee Dumar** inquired about replacing/redoing street signs, Commissioner Weaver stated they are working on it, some street signs have disappeared.

**Deputy Mayor Healey** turned meeting back over to Mayor Peeler at 8:36pm

**Mayor Peeler** said to look at budget for the 2 heaters, if Board is in agreement Mayor will approve after more information is given.

**Mayor Peeler** thanked the DPW crew for their help with the After the 4<sup>th</sup>

**Trustee Dumar** asked Mayor Peeler what was happening with the Saturday Market, Mayor Peeler stated that we needed someone to head the event and there was only one vendor showing interest.

**Clerk Treasurer Report** – Written, Clerk Treasurer Kearns stated that a correction to the 2022 -2023 Adopted Budget needed to be done, General Fund A5132.200 Snow Removal Equipment – Sander did not get added in to total appropriations. Estimate from General Code to update the Village Code online and books for a cost between \$825.00 and \$980.00. Mayor Peeler approved.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Wellman with all in favor to adjust the 2022-2023 Village of Fonda budget to increase Appropriated Fund Balance to \$102,730.00 and increase Total Appropriations to \$547,355.00.

**Audit of Bills:** pre-approved, by Motion Deputy Mayor Healey, Second by Trustee Sprague

	<b>General</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	<b>Total</b>
Pay #3 6/17	6,754.57	2,334.04	67.35	9,155.96
ss med eft 6/17	516.73	178.55	5.15	700.43
USPS	58.00	58.00	58.00	174.00
Frontier				0.00
Timer Warner				0.00
Pay #4 6/24	2,427.04	2,136.76	67.35	4,631.15
ss med eft 6/24	185.65	163.46	5.15	354.26
CDPHP	1,865.38	1,865.37		3,730.75
Time Warner	84.99			84.99
Charter Communication	369.95			369.95
National Grid	408.03	1,257.66		1,665.69
NBT Credit Card	840.82			840.82
National Grid		21.02		21.02
Pay #1 7/1	2,635.99	2,201.46	67.35	4,904.80
ss med eft 7/1	201.67	168.43	5.15	375.25
FFJWWTF			60,305.88	60,305.88
Pay #2 7/8	2,940.07	2,191.76	67.35	5,199.18
ss med eft 7/8	224.91	167.66	5.15	397.72
National Grid	408.03	1,257.66		1,665.69
American Fireworks	10,000.00			10,000.00
Carey's Entertainment	1,000.00			1,000.00
Cyndie Ruggiero	1,200.00			1,200.00

**Abstract #2**

Motion by Deputy Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar, Trustee Healey absent with all in favor

<b>General</b>	<b>Water</b>	<b>Sewer</b>	<b>Total</b>
8714.68	2664.83	1130.0	12509.51

**2017 EFC Grant Water Improvements Payment**

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Wellman with all in favor

<b>Check #</b>	<b>Payee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1024	KB Group of NY Inc	Invoice #38	\$1,586.50

**2021 EFC EPG Wastewater Improvements Payment**

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor

Check #	Payee	Description	Amount
003	KB Group of NY Inc	Invoice #21425-06 & 21425-07	15,336.00

**Mayor Peeler** had a discussion about the Joint EFC EPG Waste Water Improvement Grant, Local match \$3,000.00 per Village, spoke with FFJWWTB Chairperson Park, he stated the sewer plant has enough in their budget to cover it for both villages.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar with all in favor for the Village of Fonda local match of \$3,000.00 for the EFC EPG #105467 be paid by the FFJWWTF.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor to enter Executive Session for reasons of litigation at 8:57pm

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor to leave Executive Session at 10:03pm

**Resolution #22-2022** Approval of Capital Grant from Montgomery County for Fonda Flood Study  
Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Wellman

Approval given to accept the funding of \$44,900.00 from Montgomery County for Broadway Creek flood mitigation study and approval for Mayor Peeler to sign the contract with Montgomery County

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows  
Vote by Board of Trustees:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler	X			
Trustee Dumar	X			
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Wellman	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			

**Next meeting(s):** Regular Monthly Meeting: Monday, August 8, 2022, 6:30 pm

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar with all in favor to adjourn the meeting at 10:07pm

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kearns  
Clerk Treasurer