

June 12, 2023, 6:38 pm. Municipal Building 8 E Main St  
Monthly Minutes

**Present:** Mayor William Peeler (via Zoom)  
Deputy Mayor Tim Healey  
Trustees Scott Sprague  
Clerk Treasurer Christine Kearns  
Street & Water Commissioner Christopher Weaver  
Code Enforcer Stan Waddle  
Attorney Michael Albanese (arrived at 6:43pm)  
Public Sal Riggi, Dianna Giardino, Lynn Bradshaw

**Mayor Peeler Called Meeting to Order and salute to the flag at 6:38 pm**

All written Department Reports were distributed in the board packet of materials.

**Correspondence**

- 5/1 Skyler Cruz Wolsey – Traffic light safety – *Mayor Peeler appreciates the interest, most of the traffic lights mentioned in the letter are not in the Village*
- 5/8 NYS DOT – CHIPS Balance
- 6/5 NYMIR – Master Battery Disconnect Switches
- 6/5 CDPHP – Notice of Proposed Premium Rate Change

**Motion** to approve May 8, 2023, Regular Meeting minutes as written by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor, motion passes.

**Resolution #25-2023 Credit of Village Taxes 2023-2024 Time Warner Gloversville Bill #298**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague

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 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2023 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. 298 in the amount of \$545.29**

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.

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

**Resolution #26-2023 Amend FY 2022-2023 Water Fund Budget to Account for the Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey

Amend FY 2022-2023 Water Fund Budget to Account for the Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for Prime AE engineering services regarding the Fonda Reservoir Dam Safety Inspection & Engineering Assessment.

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**Water Fund** increase account FX4989 Fed Aid, Other by \$1,420.00 and account FX1440.4 Engineering Consultants by \$1,420.00.

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

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

**Resolution # 27-2023 Accept Disposition of Records Log**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague

**RESOLVED**, By the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda that *Records Retention and Disposition Schedule MU-1*, issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts & Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, had been duly adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Article 57-A:

(a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in *Records Retention and Disposition Schedule MU-1* after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein;

(b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda was presented the most recent Official Records Retention Disposition (RRD) Form and does hereby accept the same as indicated by the signatures attached hereto;

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

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

**Resolution #28-2023 Transfers needed for payment of Abstract #13 2022-2023 End of Fiscal Year bills**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey

<b>General Fund</b>			
To	Amount	From	Amount
A1210.4 Mayor C/E	178.00	A1320.4 Audit Fees	284.00
A1410.402 Clerk Supplies	574.00	A1990.4 Contingency Account	83.00
A1620.402 Clothing	80.00	A1410.403 C/E Training	200.00
A5110.401 Street C/E fuel	317.00	A1410.401 Clerk Postage	185.00
A5110.404 Street C/E	309.00	A1620.401 Utilities	80.00
A5182.4 Street Lighting CE	1,618.00	A5142.4 Snow Removal CE	600.00
A5182.402 Street Light C/E Repair	1,301.00	A1640.400 Central Garage Build	2,945.00
A8140.403 Park St Storms CE	320.00	A8810.2 Cemetery Eqpt	320.00
Total	4,697.00	Total	4,697.00
<b>Water Fund</b>			
FX8320.401 Pwr Old Jtown H2O Tow	36.00	FX8310.4 Water Adm Assoc Dues	36.00
FX8330.401 C/E Chemicals	3,368.00	FX8330.403 Purif E/E Labtests	2,080.00
FX8330.402 Purif Gen Op Exp CE	505.00	FX8330.404 Purif C/E Electricit	1,793.00
FX8340.404 Trans&IDist Repair Lin	762.00	FX8330.410 Purif Postage CE	20.00

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FX8340.405 T&D Postage CE	20.00	FX8340.402 T&D Meters	762.00
FX8340.406 T&D Gen Op Exp CE	1,591.00	FX1990.4 Contingency	177.00
		FX9060.8 Health Insurance	1,414.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,282.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>6,282.00</b>

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

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

**Resolution #29-2023 Transfers Allowed to Close Out FY 2022-2023**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague

To allow the Clerk Treasurer to transfer between subsidiary accounts within funds to close out Fiscal Year 6/1/2022-5/31/2023.

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

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

**Public Comments – Lynn Bradshaw**, Master Gardener associated with Cornell Cooperative Extension, submitted information for plant sale on website to have on the park digital sign, nothing was put on sign, another event was also not advertised, someone else should be able to update sign if Mayor is not able. Mayor Peeler stated he is planning on training someone when he gets back in town. **Dianna Giardino** wondered if a decision was made to allow the Class of 1973 to have beer and wine at their reunion in the village park in August. Mayor Peeler stated that the current rules state only Village sponsored events are allowed alcohol, would like entire Board and Attorney input regarding the matter, since Trustee Dumar is absent will table the decision until the July meeting.

Ms. Bradshaw and Ms. Giardino left the meeting at this point.

**Public (cont.) – Sal Riggi** talked to Fonda Speedway Organizer Brett Deyo, sounds like he has all booked up, might not be contributing to the After the 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks; Talked to some bands about concerts in the park, if they aren't paid they won't play; Spoke to someone at the Library regarding movie nights, they need a bigger screen and speakers; He doesn't think Thursdays are a goon night for the movies/concerts, people have to work the next day and will miss out; People are asking about the smoke shop and when it will open.

**Mayor Report** – GAVAC has been sold to Priority Ambulance d/b/a Lake Valley EMS, received paperwork for the assumption of the lease with GAVAC, asked Attorney Albanese if he has looked it over, Attorney Albanese stated it looks fine, Trustee Healey asked if the rent could be changed, Attorney Albanese stated the lease expires December 1, 2025.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor to agree to the GAVAC lease assumption by Priority Ambulance and approve the Mayor to sign agreement.

**Mayor Report (cont.)** – Catholic Charities has to change the movie night to July 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Audit of Bills** pre-approved, Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor

	General	Water	Sewer	Total
Pay #50 5/12	3,093.16	1,692.93	67.35	4,853.44
ss med eft 5/12	236.63	129.51	5.14	371.28
Pay #51 5/19	2,531.38	1,712.40	67.35	4,311.13

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ss med eft 5/19	193.65	131.00	5.17	329.82
Pay #52 5/26	2,771.61	1,584.40	67.35	4,423.36
ss med eft 5/26	212.03	121.21	5.13	338.37
Lightmart	11,435.00			11,435.00
Charter Comm	94.99			94.99
Abstract #13	15,960.77	10,014.90		25,975.67
USPS	111.57			111.57
CDPHP	2,061.66	2,061.66		4,123.32
NBT Bank	5,231.24	5,231.24	5,231.23	15,693.71
Charter Comm	369.95			369.95
Pay #1 6/2	3,110.86	2,125.50	67.35	5,303.71
ss med eft 6/2	237.98	162.60	5.18	405.76
Pay #2 6/9	2,188.23	2,103.70	68.16	4,360.09
ss med eft 6/9	167.40	160.93	5.22	333.55

**Abstract #13** Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor

General	Water	Sewer	Total
\$15,960.77	\$10,014.90		\$25,975.67

**Abstract #14** Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor

General	Water	Sewer	Total
\$823.00	\$1,484.50		\$2,307.50

**Abstract #1** Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor

General	Water	Sewer	Total
\$5544.00	\$125.69		\$5,669.69

**2017 EFC Grant Water Improvements Payment**

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

Check #	Payee	Description	Amount
1038	KB Group of NY Inc	Inv #49	\$4,925.00

**Mayor Peeler** reviewed the proposal by Prime Engineering for engineering service to prepare the WQIP Funding Application for FFWWTF improvements in the amount of \$3,300.00, shared cost of \$1,650.00 each for Village of Fonda and Village of Fultonville.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar with all in favor to approve the proposal from Prime Engineering and approve the Mayor to sign the proposal.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor to enter executive session for reasons of personnel and litigation at 7:12 pm

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor to exit executive session at 7:39 pm

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Healey with all in favor to hire Devin Humphrey for the Summer Laborer #1 position and allow the Personnel Committee to hire a second Summer Laborer to cover when Devin is not available.

**Trustee Healey** brought up the Juneteenth holiday, discussion held regarding adding to Village holidays.

**Motion** by Trustee Healey, Second by Mayor Peeler with all in favor to add Juneteenth to the observed holiday schedule for full-time employees and allow the DPW to use as a floating holiday.

**Mayor Peeler** turned the meeting over to Trustee Healey at 7:45 pm, reminded the Board that no decisions can be made as there will no longer be a quorum, Mayor left the meeting at this point.

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**Street & Water Commissioner Report** – “Closed for Renovation” signs are up at the playground, some equipment is here; Getting quotes on materials for water/sewer line replacement project on Veeder St., Ordering storm drain pipe for Park St. & School St.; Have been going door to door for the service line inventory; Hickory Hill property that requested village water has been approved for their permit from Montgomery County.

**Building and Fire Code Officer Report** – The new smoke shop going in on Main St. will not have marijuana, they are not quite ready to open yet, have some code violations; Looking for guidance regarding the Steering Committee and holding meetings.

**Clerk Treasurer Report** – Written

**Trustee Reports** – **Trustee Healey** has been attending meetings regarding the Hometown Hero banners, another meeting is coming up, the goal is to have them up for Veteran’s Day.

**Next meeting(s)** Regular Monthly Meeting: Monday, July 10, 2023, 6:30 pm

**Adjournment** Motion by Trustee Healey, seconded Trustee Sprague at 8:03 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kearns  
Clerk Treasurer