

Village of Fonda
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

Date: February 9, 2026

Time: Opened at 6:31pm

Location: 8 E Main St., Fonda, NY

Meeting Called to Order By: Deputy Mayor Healey

ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees:

Name	Present	Remote	Absent
Mark Scott, Trustee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shaun Schriener, Trustee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Sprague, Trustee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tim Healey, Trustee, Deputy Mayor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bill Peeler, Mayor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Staff/Officials Present:

Name	Present	Remote	Absent
Christine Kearns, Clerk-Treasure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mike Albanese, Village Attorney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stan Waddle, Code Enforcement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Beverly Guiffre, Historian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Public and Guests in Attendance:

- Sal Riggi, Jim Fugitt, Vaness Fugitt
- Sign-in sheet attached

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

- **Motion #2026-05** – To approve the minutes from the January 12, 2026, Regular meeting
- Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey, Seconded by: Trustee Sprague
- Vote: Aye – [4], Nay – [0], Abstain – [0], Absent – [1]
- Motion: Passed Failed

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor Healey announced that the next Village Election would be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at the Montgomery County Board of Elections on Park St., hours would be 12:00pm to 9:00pm

Communications Received

Received From	Description	Date
Fonda Fair	Community Sponsorship Opportunity	1/27/26
UniFirst	Price adjustment	1/2026
Montgomery County Treasurer	4 th Quarter 2025 Sales Tax	2/3/26

Public or Guest Comment

- Sal Riggi – Talked to someone from Montgomery County at the tree lighting, County would like to hold events in conjunction with the village, maybe they could organize the trunk or treat.
- Jim Fugitt – Asked about the dog park that was supposed to be put in at the park. Deputy Mayor Healey stated that it had been a private individual project, haven't heard any more on it.
- Vanessa Fugitt – Liked the idea brought up by Sal Riggi about trunk or treat, she would like to get it back.

Review of Reports**Mayor's Report:** None**Department Reports:**

- Code Enforcement and Clerk Treasurer reports were submitted in writing.
- **Financials:**
 - Financial reports were provided separately to the Board before the meeting.
 - Financial approvals are listed under the motions below.

Motion #2026-06 Refund of Sewer Payment for Account #183

Motion to approve a refund to sewer account #183 for double payment of the sewer bill on Point n Pay in the amount of \$383.28. Refund to be made through the Point n Pay system.

- Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey, Trustee Schriner
- Vote: Aye – [4], Nay – [0], Abstain – [0], Absent – [1]
- Motion: Passed Failed

Motion #2026-07 Audit of Bills pre-approved

	General	Water	Sewer	Total
National Grid 1/16	2,686.00			2,686.00
Pay #33 1/16	2,309.04	1,600.11	74.28	3,983.43
ss med eft 1/16	164.73	122.42	5.68	292.83
Pay #34 1/23	2,629.35	1,614.75	74.28	4,318.38
ss med eft 1/23	201.15	123.52	5.68	330.35
Verizon Wireless 1/30	251.63	40.04		291.67
Pay #35 1/30	1,985.89	1,983.56	74.28	4,043.73
ss med eft 1/30	151.93	151.75	5.68	309.36
Charter Comm 1/30	370.00			370.00
National Grid 1/31		215.66		215.66
CDPHP 2/1	1,710.62	1,710.61	1,710.61	5,131.84
Pay #36 2/6	2,994.98	1,898.01	74.28	4,967.27
ss med eft 2/6	229.10	145.20	5.68	379.98
National Grid 2/7	1,497.05	2,049.25		3,546.30

- Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey, Seconded by: Trustee Scott
- Vote: Aye – [4], Nay – [0], Abstain – [0], Absent – [1]
- Motion: Passed Failed

Motion #2026-08 Approval of Abstract #9

General	Water	Sewer	Total
18,233.00	23,053.69	3,651.09	44,937.78

- Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey, Seconded by: Trustee Sprague
- Vote: Aye – [4], Nay – [0], Abstain – [0], Absent – [1]
- Motion: Passed Failed

RESOLUTION #6-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL SIGNATORIES FOR NBT BANK ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda maintains financial accounts with NBT Bank for the conduct of municipal business; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate authorized officials to execute banking documents and conduct transactions on behalf of the Village of Fonda to ensure continuity of operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees desires to authorize the Mayor, and in the Mayor’s absence or as designated by the Mayor, certain elected officials and the Village Clerk to act as signatories in accordance with NBT Bank requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda hereby authorizes the following individuals as official signatories for all applicable Village of Fonda accounts held with NBT Bank:

- William F. Peeler, Mayor
- Timothy Healey, Deputy Mayor, Trustee
- Scott Sprague, Trustee
- Shaun Schriener, Trustee
- Mark Scott, Trustee
- Christine Kearns, Village Clerk

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to designate which of the above officials may act as signatories in the Mayor’s absence or as operational needs require, consistent with bank policy and internal controls;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this authorization shall become effective immediately upon approval by the Board of Trustees and upon completion and submission of all documentation required by NBT Bank;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is directed to provide certified copies of this resolution and any required supporting documentation to NBT Bank to implement these authorizations.

Approved and adopted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda, Montgomery County, New York, this 9th day of February 2026.

Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey

Seconded by: Trustee Scott

Record of Vote:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler				X
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			
Trustee Schriener	X			
Trustee Scott	X			

Resolution Adopted: Yes No

RESOLUTION # 7-2026 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYROLL CERTIFICATION OFFICIALS

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda must certify payroll on a regular basis to ensure timely compensation of municipal employees; and

WHEREAS, continuity of payroll operations requires that multiple officials be authorized to certify payroll in the absence of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees seeks to formally reauthorize payroll certification authority for Village officials and designated Department of Public Works personnel for operational efficiency and accountability;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda hereby authorizes the following officials to certify Village payroll:

- William F. Peeler, Mayor
- Timothy Healey, Deputy Mayor, Trustee
- All Members of the Board of Trustees

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in addition to the above officials, Christopher Weaver or Daniel Gray, as designated supervisory personnel, are authorized to certify payroll for the Department of Public Works and Water Department payroll only;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such certification authority shall apply in the absence of the Mayor or Deputy Mayor, or when operational necessity requires timely payroll processing;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this authorization shall take effect immediately upon approval by the Board of Trustees;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is directed to maintain this resolution on file and provide certified copies as required for payroll processing and audit purposes.

Approved and adopted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda, Montgomery County, New York, this 9th day of February 2025.

Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey

Seconded by: Trustee Schriner

Record of Vote:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Abstained	Absent
Mayor Peeler				X
Trustee Healey	X			
Trustee Sprague	X			
Trustee Schriner	X			
Trustee Scott	X			

Resolution Adopted: Yes No

MOTIONS

Summary of Motions Presented:

Motion #	Description

Verbal Vote Results:

Motion #	Made By	Seconded By	Vote (A/N/AB)	Result

RESOLUTIONS

Summary of Resolutions Presented:

Resolution #	Offered By	Second By	Title/Description

Roll Call Vote Results:

Resolution #	Bob Klim	Lynn Dumar	Scott Sprague	Tim Healey	Mayor Peeler	Result

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Motion – To enter executive session at [Time] to discuss [Permissible Topic]
Motion by: [Name], Seconded by: [Name] Vote: [Result]
- No action was taken
- Action taken – see Motion [#] above.
- No Executive Session Held

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Village of Fonda Board of Trustees will be held on Monday, March 9, 2026 at 6:30pm at 8 E Main St, Fonda, NY.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion – To adjourn the meeting at 7:02pm

- Motion by: Deputy Mayor Healey, Trustee Schriener
- Vote: Aye – [4], Nay – [0], Abstain – [0], Absent – [1]
- Motion: Passed Failed

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kearns, Village Clerk
Approved March 9, 2026