

July 8, 2024, 6:37 pm. Municipal Building 8 E Main St
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Present: Mayor William Peeler
Trustees Lynn Dumar, Bob Klim, Scott Sprague
Clerk Treasurer Christine Kearns
Street & Water Commissioner Christopher Weaver
Attorney Michael Albanese
Public Sal Riggi, Linda Bell

Mayor Peeler Called Meeting to Order and salute to the flag at 6:37 pm.

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

Correspondence

- 6/7 NYMIR – Battery disconnect switches
- 7/2 Prime AE – New EPA PFAs Regulations

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor, to approve the June 10, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes.

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Sprague with all in favor, to approve the June 18, 2024, Special Meeting minutes.

Public – Linda Bell from Frothingham Library spoke about their movie night in the village park on Thursday night, In the spring she discussed with the Mayor about having a fire for s'mores, Mayor Peeler agreed and said we will come up with something; Asked if their small yoga group could use the stage area on Thursday nights as the Library has the summer program going on and there isn't room, board agreed; Library end of Summer Reading Program party on August 16th. Mrs. Bell left the meeting at 6:56pm.

Mayor Report – Reviewed the Village of Fonda Recreational & Canalside Park Food Vendor Space Policies, would like to get a first aid kit & CPR kits for the park, along with signage.

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor to accept the Village of Fonda Recreational & Canalside Park Food Vendor Space Policies as written.

Mayor Report (cont.) - Looking into the NYS Department of State Planning, Development and Community Infrastructure Brownfield Opportunity Area Program with Montgomery County Business Development, Total cost of approximately \$115,000.00, local match of \$11,500.00, Montgomery County will provide \$4,500.00 towards the local match, Village Committee can provide in-kind services estimated at \$5,000.00, which would leave a monetary match of approximately \$2,000.00, Montgomery County will apply and administer the program, Looking at the area occupied by Brown Transportation.

Trustee Klim asked what properties would be involved, Mayor Peeler stated the property located on the west end of the village.

Resolution #27-2024 Brownfield Opportunity Area program

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Klim

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda recognizes that the renewal of downtown areas throughout the County strengthens the local economy and increases the quality of life for residents and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda desires to apply to the New York Department of State Brownfield Opportunity Area program through the state's Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) 2024 round to study the Village of Fonda as a Brownfield Opportunity Area and

WHEREAS, the grant being applied for carries a 10% match of the overall project cost of \$115,000, and

WHEREAS, this amounts to an \$11,500 match; and

WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Economic Development will provide a \$4,500 in-kind services match and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda will provide the additional necessary \$5,000 in in-kind services and a \$2,000 monetary match for the grant; and

WHEREAS, the administration of any grant will come with assistance from the Montgomery County Business Development Center, 9 Park Street, PO Box 1500, Fonda, New York, 12068;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Fonda will provide the additional necessary \$5,000 in in-kind services and a \$2,000 monetary match for the grant.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

This resolution was duly adopted by the Village Board of Trustees of Fonda on July 8, 2024.

Record of Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Robert Klim, Trustee	X			
Lynn Dumar, Trustee	X			
Scott Sprague, Trustee	X			
Timothy Healey, Trustee				X
William Peeler, Mayor	X			

Resolution #28-2024 Montgomery County Boat Launch Grant Application 2024

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Sprague

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda recognizes the importance of protecting its natural resources, the increased need for recreational opportunities, and the protection of its valuable structures, assets, and environment; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda, through Montgomery County, desires to apply to the New York State Office of Parks Recreation & Historic Preservation's (OPRHP) Boating Infrastructure Grant Program 2024 round to install boat docks in the Village of Fonda and

WHEREAS, an adopted resolution by the Village of Fonda Board of Trustees authorizes a designated representative to apply for and administer the grant on behalf of the applicant and states that the Governing

Body is willing to enter into a minimum 20-year agreement for the maintenance and operation of the project; and,

WHEREAS, \$800,000 is being requested from the New York State Office of Parks Recreation & Historic Preservation’s Boating Infrastructure Grant Program and

WHEREAS, the grant being applied for carries a 25% match of the overall project costs of up to \$800,000 and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fonda will provide up to a 25% match of its portion of the grant and

WHEREAS, the administration of any grant will be completed by the Montgomery County Business Development Center, 113 Park Drive, PO Box 277, Fultonville, New York 12072;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Fonda supports the efforts of Montgomery County’s application submission for the 2024 round; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village of Fonda authorizes and directs that a grant application be submitted through the New York State Office of Parks Recreation & Historic Preservation’s Boating Infrastructure Grant Program 2024 round to install boat docks in the Village of Fonda by Montgomery County.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Record of Vote:

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Robert Klim, Trustee	X			
Lynn Dumar, Trustee	X			
Scott Sprague, Trustee	X			
Timothy Healey, Trustee				X
William Peeler, Mayor	X			

Mayor Report (cont.) – Speaking with Verizon Wireless regarding service at the water plant, municipal office and the village park, received a quote, have to get clarification on the quote; Movie in the park on Thursday, Skeeter Creek concert on Friday, rain date for the concert is September 5th, Looking at buying outhouse for the park, Trustee Klim asked about long-term rental pricing, Mayor said he would look into it.

Street & Water Commissioner Report – Written report distributed to Board, Trustee Dumar asked about the water on Cemetery St., Commissioner Weaver said he is aware of it and has been checking it, check it today and no chlorine is registering in it, ground water; Would like to ask engineers to check for a underground spring, Mayor Peeler suggested checking the Barton & Loguidice report that was prepared for the sidewalk project; Still under boil water notice, talked with NYS Health Department, started testing, looking at changing chemicals used to treat the water; Received a quote for a new Ferris mower from Randall Implements, getting one from John Deere and Ft. Plain True Value, looking to use CHIPS funding, Calling NYS DOT to confirm using funding; Looking at a new trailer for equipment, approximately \$13,000.00, 16ft tilt deck, checking to see if CHIPS funding can be use also.

Mayor Peeler – Would like to buy approximately 10 more trash cans to place around the village.

Clerk Treasurer Report – Written report distributed to Board.

Audit of Bills pre-approved, Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar, with all in favor

July 8, 2024, 6:37 pm. Municipal Building 8 E Main St
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

	General	Water	Sewer	Total
Pay #3 6/21	2,297.62	2,646.46	72.83	5,016.91
ss med eft 6/21	175.77	202.45	5.57	383.79
Frontier		122.95		122.95
Charter Comm	94.99			94.99
USPS	68.00	68.00	68.00	204.00
Pay #4 6/28	2,381.84	2,787.32	72.83	5,241.99
ss med eft 6/28	182.21	213.23	5.58	401.02
National Grid		159.74		159.74
CDPHP	2,881.91	2,881.90	2,881.90	8,645.71
FFJWWTF			52,112.50	52,112.50
Elan Financial - NBT CC	2,712.12			2,712.12
Charter Comm	369.95			369.95
Pay #5 7/5	2,731.75	2,629.80	72.83	5,434.38
ss med eft 7/5	208.98	201.18	5.57	415.73
National Grid	421.32	1,102.39		1,523.71

Abstract #2 Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Sprague, with all in favor

General	Water	Sewer	Total
8,427.52	8,452.68	3,618.26	20,498.46

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor for the Clerk to return \$120.00 to James Smith, Water account #382, 2337 Hickory Hill Road and \$200.00 to PHJ Holdings, LLC – Brianna Gifford, Water account #502, 2426 Hickory Hill Road, for refund of the Outside Village Water Users deposit. Checks to be written from the Village of Fonda Agent Account.

Building and Fire Code Officer Report – Written report distributed to Board. Engineer inspected 25 E Main St., should have report soon, need report for any court action, owner says they are going to let it go for taxes, not responding regarding yard maintenance; Met with new owner of 8 W. Main St., working on getting roof secured, looking to make a commercial space on 1st floor and apartments on 2nd and 3rd floors, will submit plans to the village; Broadway Creek flood was caused by a make shift bridge that washed away and blocked most of the culvert, work on local laws regarding building structures over creeks.

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague with all in favor to enter executive session for reasons of litigation at 9:17 pm.

Motion by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Dumar with all in favor to exit executive session at 9:44 pm.

Actions per Executive Session –

Next meeting(s)

- Regular Monthly Meeting: Monday, August 12, 2024, at 6:30 pm

Adjournment Motion by Mayor Peeler, seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor at 9:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kearns
Clerk Treasurer