

February 10, 2025, 6:43 pm. Municipal Building 8 E Main St  
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Mayor William Peeler via Zoom  
Trustees Lynn Dumar, Timothy Healey, Bob Klim, Scott Sprague  
Street & Water Commissioner Christopher Weaver  
Clerk Treasurer Christine Kearns  
Code Enforcement Officer Stan Waddle  
Attorney Michael Albanese  
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**Mayor Peeler Called Meeting to Order and salute to the flag at 6:43 pm.**

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

**Correspondence**

- 1/17 Mohawk Valley Economic Development District, Inc. – Free Community Site Visit
- 1/24 Laberge Group – 2025 Grants Survey
- 2/5 Montgomery County Treasurer – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Sales Tax Distribution

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar, with all in favor, to approve the January 13, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Healey, with all in favor, to approve the January 21, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes.

**Mayor Report** – Received an email from Fonda Fairgrounds/Montgomery Co. Ag. regarding a water leak, asking if sewer cost could be waived, decision tabled until Street & Water Commissioner Weaver can obtain readings; Preparing garbage and recycling bid documents, 5 year term, open at March meeting.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor to place the Invitation to bid for Collection and Removal of Garbage and Recycling out to bid, bids to be returned by 3:00pm on March 7, 2025, bids to be opened at the Board of Trustees meeting on March 10, 2025, at 6:30pm.

**Mayor Report (cont.)** – FFJWWT Board Chairperson and Chief Operator resigned, need to amend the Intermunicipal Agreement for Mayor of Fonda and Mayor of Fultonville to serve as Co-Chairs if needed.

**Resolution #4-2025 Authorizing Amednment#1 to Amend the Fonda-Fultonville Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant (FFJWTP) Intermunicipal Agreement**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Healey

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Fonda and the Village of Fultonville jointly operate the Fonda-Fultonville Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant (FFJWTP) pursuant to an inter-municipal agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the agreement currently provides for a Chairperson to oversee operations and administration but does not establish a process for continuity of leadership in the event the position is vacant; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend the agreement to ensure uninterrupted operation and decision-making for the FFJWTP;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fonda as follows:

1. This shall be known as **Amendment #1 to the Intermunicipal Agreement for the Fonda-Fultonville Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant.**

2. The inter-municipal agreement between the **Village of Fonda** and the **Village of Fultonville** for the **Fonda-Fultonville Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant (FFJWTP)** is hereby amended to include the following provision:
  - A. **Interim Chairperson Provision:** In the absence of a Chairperson, the Mayor of the Village of Fonda and the Mayor of the Village of Fultonville shall jointly assume the role of Interim Chairperson until such time that the position is permanently filled.
  - B. **Decision-Making Authority:** All decisions regarding the FFJWTP shall continue to be made by the Joint Wastewater Treatment Board. In the event of a tie vote, the Mayor of Fonda and the Mayor of Fultonville shall each cast a vote, with both votes carrying equal weight in the final decision.
3. The purpose of this amendment is to allow for the continued administration and operation of the FFJWTP without disruption.
4. This amendment shall take effect immediately upon approval by the governing bodies of both the Village of Fonda and the Village of Fultonville. It shall remain in effect permanently, applying automatically in the event of any future vacancy in the Chairperson position.
5. The Mayor of the Village of Fonda is hereby authorized to execute any necessary documents related to this amendment.

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

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Bob Klim, Trustee	X			
Lynn Dumar, Trustee	X			
Scott Sprague, Trustee	X			
Tim Healey, Trustee	X			
Bill Peeler, Mayor	X			

**Mayor Report (cont.)** – Review of vendor, electrical and parking rates for the 2025 – 2026 budget year, Parking rates - \$8 for racing and other events during the 2025 season, \$10 during the 2025 Fonda Fair, Pricing for various vendor booths based on size, electrical – standard power supply fee (20-30 amp) \$40 per event, high power supply (50+ amps)\$75 per event.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Klim with all in favor that the Village of Fonda Board of Trustees establishes the following rates:

**Parking Fees**

- **\$8.00** per vehicle for racing and other events identified during the **2025 season**
- **\$10.00** per vehicle for parking during the **2025 Fonda Fair**

**Vendor Booth Fees (Plus Registration-Transaction Fee)**

- **\$40.00** | Vendor | 10ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$55.00** | Vendor | 15ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$70.00** | Vendor | 20ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$85.00** | Vendor | 25ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$100.00** | Vendor | 30ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$55.00** | Food Vendor | 10ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$80.00** | Food Vendor | 15ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$100.00** | Food Vendor | 20ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$125.00** | Food Vendor | 25ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$145.00** | Food Vendor | 30ft x 10ft Booth
- **\$20.00** | Non-Profit Vendor | 10ft x 10ft Booth Regular Rates for additional or larger

**Electrical Supply Fees (Per Event)**

- **Standard Power Supply (20-30 Amps, 120V-240V) – \$40.00** per event
  - Suitable for vendors using moderate power, such as hot plates, coffee makers, or small refrigeration units.
- **High Power Supply (50+ Amps, 240V) – \$75.00** per event
  - Necessary for food vendors requiring large cooking equipment, freezers, or multiple high-wattage appliances.

These rates shall remain in effect for the **2025-2026 fiscal year** and be included in the **annual organizational meeting resolution** for Board approval and formal adoption. Regular Park rates will continue for rentals outside of village-sponsored events until discussed at the Annual Organizational meeting.

**Mayor Report (cont.)** – Prepared a letter to invite not for profit organizations to participate in the 2025 Fonda Park Summer Concert Series & October Festival, included date of concerts and festival, the parking rates for the season.

**Attorney Report** – Attorney Albanese stated he had to leave at 8:00pm.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Healey with all in favor to enter executive session for reasons of negotiations and personnel at 7:43 pm.

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Healey with all in favor to exit executive session at 8:44 pm.

Attorney Albanese left the meeting during executive session.

**Actions per Executive Session**

- **Motion** by Mayor Peeler, seconded by Trustee Sprague with all in favor to approval the mayor to sign the contract for the Interim Wastewater Chief Operator Service by G20 Operations, LLC to provide professional Chief Operator services for the Fonda Fultonville Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant until a replacement NYSDEC licensed operator is placed, commencing on February 9, 2025, and in effect until replacement found, flat rate of \$1,125.00/week, payments made every 4 weeks.
- **Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Healey with all in favor to approve and send the letter to County Executive Vrooman regarding Development and Centralized Services in Communities on behalf of the Village of Fonda Board.

**Resolution #5-2025 Transfers Request for FY 2024 – 2025 Budget**

Offered by Mayor Peeler, Second by Trustee Sprague

<b>General Fund</b>			
To	Amount	From	Amount
A1210.4 Mayor C/E	142.00	A1210.2 Mayor eqt	142.00
A1620.403 Phone Muni Bldg	455.00	A1640.400 Central Garage Build	455.00
A1910.4 Insurance C/E	618.00	A1990.4 Contingency Account	618.00
A5110.201 Street Eqpt - Truck	1,611.00	A5142.2 Snow Removal Eqpt	2,346.00
A5110.402 Street C/E Repair Eqp	735.00		
Total	3,561.00	Total	3,561.00
<b>Water Fund</b>			

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To	Amount	From	Amount
FX1910.4 Muni Insurance Water	598.00	FX9010.8 NYS Retirement E/B	598.00
FX8330.402 Purif Gen Op Exp CE	1,933.00	FX8330.407 Puri C/E – Training	500.00
FX8340.402 T&D Meters	441.00	FX8330.409 Electric Repairs Plant	1,433.00
		FX8340.407 T&D Pavement Repairs	441.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,972.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,972.00</b>

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

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

**Street & Water Commissioner Report** – Written report distributed to Board; Found a small water leak on Rt 334, residents have water just low pressure, will repair this week; Ordered another load of salt, Town of Mohawk has offered some of theirs if needed. Mayor Peeler would like to get the 2017 Ford pickup truck to the Chevrolet dealer for a price. Mayor Peeler stated he would like to purchase 6 trough planters for Main St.

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

	General	Water	Sewer	Total
Verizon Wireless	251.29	40.04		291.33
Pay #33 1/17	2,458.78	2,308.46	72.83	4,840.07
ss med eft 1/17	188.10	176.60	5.57	370.27
Pay #34 1/24	2,376.04	2,257.04	72.83	4,705.91
ss med eft 1/24	181.77	172.66	5.58	360.01
Pay #35 1/31	2,687.32	1,995.83	72.83	4,755.98
ss med eft 1/31	205.58	152.68	5.59	363.85
National Grid		219.39		219.39
CDPHP	2,278.37	2,278.36	2,278.36	6,835.09
Charter Comm	369.95			369.95
Elan Financial - NBT CC	1,134.16			1,134.16
Pay #36 2/7	2,731.09	2,251.65	72.83	5,055.57
ss med eft 2/7	208.93	172.25	5.56	386.74
National Grid	1,393.26	2,236.07		3,629.33

**Abstract #9** Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor

General	Water	Sewer	Total
17,603.77	20,612.05	0.00	38,215.82

**Motion** by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Klim with all in favor to approve the correction to Water/Sewer bill for account #306 to reduce the amount of the water rents from \$78.21 to \$54.40 and the sewer rents from \$232.99 to \$174.08 due to an incorrect calculation of the blended bill from installing a new meter.

**Clerk Treasurer Report** – Written report distributed to Board.

**Building and Fire Code Officer Report** – Written report distributed to Board. Mayor Peeler asked what work

is being done at 18 Broadway, Code Officer Waddle stated windows, roof and exterior.

**Trustee Reports** – Trustee Healey was contacted by Liberty Enterprises regarding someone looking for part-time work, had them send a letter that was presented to the Board, Mayor Peeler asked for a resume to be forwarded.

**Mayor Peeler** stated he was looking for pricing to have the 3-bay sink installed at the bath house, still have not received the refund from Amazon for the other 3-bay sink or return shipping.

**Sewer Plant Operator Report** – No report

**New Business** - None

**Next meeting(s)** Regular Monthly Meeting: Monday, March 10, 2025, at 6:30 pm

**Adjournment** Motion by Mayor Peeler, Seconded by Trustee Dumar with all in favor at 9:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Kearns  
Clerk Treasurer