

Village of Endicott Linda Jackson, Mayor

Timothy P. Wright, Deputy Mayor

Nicholas Burlingame, Trustee-Absent

R. Ted Warner, Trustee

Patrick Dorner, Trustee

A Quality Community

Anthony Bates, Village Manager

**Board Meeting**

**November 6, 2023**

**6:00pm**

**Order of Business**

**1. Pledge of Allegiance – Moment of Silence**

**2. Fire and ADA Compliance Announcement**

**3. Mayor Announcements**

Attended a water board meeting. We have had a lot of progress since Doug Courtright took over. We are closer to reaching our 18-million-dollar grant for the filter system for the Rainey well. This filter will alleviate that. Our additional well is close to starting drilling. The contract is signed for the land, we have bonded for the cost of the land and that money is in the bank. Assembly woman Lupardo secured us 4.3 million dollars towards the cost of the well, and Senator Webb is completing $300,000 to $500,000 which will cover the water main from the new well to our pipes in Endwell.

Hunt Engineering is working with FEMA to secure three generators for our water system.

I attended a press conference at Binghamton University.

Since our area is now nationally recognized, I am requesting federal money to repair our roads to welcome the new companies coming to settle here. Since water has been a concern with grants given to Arizona and Colorado, I have also requested more money to expedite our infrastructure replacement. We are replacing pipes when we repave the road, but we need this done at a faster pace.

I met with the supervisor for the department of transportation at a BMTS meeting. He has now contacted our engineer.

BMTS is also asking about any bridge that need replacing.

We are still down by two police officers. We do have the money in the budget for these positions but lack candidates on the civil service list to hire! Beyond that, we need two additional police officers, two additional fire fighters and two or three street laborers. Each police and fire personnel we hire come at the cost of raising our property taxes by two percent each.  Street

Trustee Dorner is assisting me with a project to recoup money that is due to us in the Village from the Town and Federal government.

Talked to Stacey Dunkin from the IDA and Agency about a couple big projects with a developer on the Avenue. One is a mixed use 3 story building. The other is under development. I am also working with a man I met at Binghamton University last month who brings companies, mainly suppliers, to our Industrial campus. He feels if we upgrade the inside of these buildings, we will generate even more interest.

The annual tree lighting will be on November 29th at 7:00 followed by refreshments and a tour of the trees at the event center. Santas and his sleigh and reindeer will be at the base of the tree for anyone who would like to take pictures. Our annual parade will be on December 2 starting at 4:30.

**4. Trustees**

**Wright-** A motion to add to New Business at tonight’s meeting- 11/20/23 Board meeting was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Mayor Jackson

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**Dorner-**concerns re: the area of 1001 Monroe Ave. Attorney McKertich added that we are following procedure with a 30-day notice to clean up the debris by the owner. The 30-day notice has not been sent out yet. Trustee Dorner spoke of the key to the Village for Jon Jones and will provide an update when available.

**Warner-**Comments re: 1001 Monroe St. and stated the prior owner /tenants are now on parsons Ave. Asked about removing some of the bamboo by the Chugnut Trail to clean up the area.

**5. Village Manager -**comments re: generators through the FEMA program. One area, Lott St has been approved. Attended a few meetings with Phoenix re: the Restore NY. Spoke of the Chugnut Trail. Road repaving projects are almost complete. He stated we have received notice of a Fuel Farm Grant for the Tri Cities Airport. The contract is ready to be reviewed and accepted for the DRI program, local Village projects. Comments re: an older agreement concerning hangars at the Airport that is expiring the end of December. The Village will now be taking over the additional hangars from this building.

**6. Attorney for the Village-** Nothing to report

**7. Special Presentations**

A presentation of Senator Schumer’s announcement at Binghamton University

**8. Public Hearings**

a. Call for a public hearing on November 20, 2023 at 6:00pm re: LL #11 -2023- Amending Chapter 235-30 Handicap Parking and adding a handicapped parking space at 109 Odell Ave

A motion to call for a public hearing on November 20, 2023 at 6:00pm was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Yes Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**9. Resolutions/Local Laws**

a. SEQR parts 1-3- Purchase of Real Property-Watson Blvd & Hayes Ave

A motion to declare a negative declaration under SEQR for the real estate transactions of 2101 Watson and 101 Hayes Ave was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Yes Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

b. R#33 -2023- Purchase of a portion of 2101 Watson Blvd

A motion to approve the Purchase of a portion of 2101 Watson Blvd was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

c. R#34-2023- Purchase of a portion of 101 Hayes Ave

A motion to approve the Purchase of a portion of 101 Hayes Ave was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

d. R#35 -2023-Authorizing a temporary easement and right-of -way to a portion of 101 N McKinley Ave- traffic Signal Replacement Project

A motion to approve authorizing a temporary easement and right-of -way to a portion of 101 N McKinley Ave was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**10. 1st Hearing of Visitors**

Bruce S- comments re: the deterioration of properties within the Village. Suggested the Village should appoint someone to take care of the oversight of these properties. Trustee Wright added that Code does enforce this. Attorney McKertich stated it would not behoove us to not follow legal procedures. He would expect us to get on that property on Monroe early December.

A rep on behalf of Senator Webb- spoke of domestic violence and noted that Mayor Jackson has been working effortlessly re: the water in the Village. He also spoke of a Veteran of the year award which will be held next week in Binghamton.

As no one wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the 1st hearing of visitors

**11. Approval of Minutes**

a. VOE 10/2/2023

A motion to approve the VOE minutes 10/2/2023 was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

b. VOE 10/16/2023

A motion to approve VOE minutes 10/16/2023 was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**12. Communications for Filing**

a. NYSHS (NYS Homeland Security)- Approved request to close out FEMA-4031-DR-NY- Applicant closeout

b. Notice from NYS re: Local law #10 being received and filed

c. Approval notice from NYSHS re: Lott St and Booster Pump Station Generator

d. NYSDOT (NYS dept of Transportation)- Funding Notice Letter re: Fuel Farm Replacement at the Tri-Cities Airport

e. Notice from Southern TierCO2 Clean Energy Solutions

f. EPD Press release Notice- dated 10/18/2023-attempted bank robbery @Visions Federal Credit Union

g. Email re: Water Board Meeting Summary 10/19/2023

h. NYSDOT Notice re: Fuel Farm Replacement

A motion to approve items a-h was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**13. Communications for Action**

a. Agreement to Purchase Property- McKinley Ave & Watson Blvd- prior approval under resolutions

b. Agreement between the Village of Endicott and the Avenue Holiday Parade

A motion to approve the agreement between the Village of Endicott and the Avenue Holiday Parade (12/2/23) for the year 2023 was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

c. A motion to amend the original agreement of $2,500.00 to $3,000.00 between the Village of Endicott and the Avenue Holiday Parade (12/2/23) for the year 2023 was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Wright

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**14. Bid(s)- Separate approvals were done for each chemical last year**

A request from Chief Operator, Kevin Pero and WWTP Chief Operator, Philip Grayson to award the following chemicals that serve the Village for the year 2024 to:

Amrex Chemical- Hydroflourosilic Acid & Sodium Bisulfate

Holland Co- PAC

Slack Chemical- Sodium Hypochlorite

Jones Chemical- Liquid Chlorine

The Following Chemical Bids were received:

Liquid Chlorine – Hydrofluorosilicic Acid – Sodium Bisulfite – Sodium Hypochlorite- PAC

Amrex $375 cyl **0.585/Ib**  **2.40/gal** 3.75/gal no bid

Holland Co. no bid no bid no bid no bid **3.44/gal**

Kuehne. Chem no bid no bid no bid 4.95/gal no bid

Slack Chem $459.54 /cyl .597/lb 2.931/gal **3.647/gal** 3.96/gal

Jones Chemical **$335 cyl**  no bid no bid no bid no bid

A motion to award the Hydrofluorosilicic Aid and Sodium Bisulfate to Amrex Chemical was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

A motion to award the PAC to Holland was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

A motion to award the Sodium Hypochlorite to Slack Chemical was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

A motion to award the Liquid Chlorine to Jones Chemical was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**15. Accounts Payable for Action** **11/6/2023 $490,050.03**

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| **GENERAL** | $336,524.61 |
| **LIGHT** | $25,604.88 |
| **WATER** | $77,616.52 |
| **WASTEWATER** | $36,031.13 |
| **CAPITAL** | $13,458.00 |
| **LIBRARY** | $197.34 |
| **PARKING** | $617.55 |
| **TRUST & AGENCY** | $0.00 |
| **TOTAL** | **$490,050.03** |

A motion to approve the accts payables was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Wright

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**15a.** ACH’s for 11/6/2023 $16,819.67

A motion to approve the ACH’s was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Wright

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**15b.** Pre-Paids for 11/6/2023 $142,656.85

A motion to approve the pre-paids’s was made by Trustee Warner and seconded by Trustee Wright

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**16. Unfinished Business**

a. Discussion re: a MOU for NYSERDA to investigate a solar farm at the WWTP- **Held Over**

b. Discussion to hire a separate Marketing Firm for Washington Ave and the Industrial Campus-**Held Over until 2024**

**17. New Business- None**

**18. 2nd Hearing of Visitors**

Albert Fiori-Gazda- comments re: blighted properties

Bruce S.- comments re: blighted properties, if he could receive a list of any boarded up Village properties and what is being done about them.

Shannon Sharpe- 528 Woodford Ave- comments re: the placement of a bus shelter at the Library while road tests are held

As no one wished to speak, Mayor Jackson closed the 2nd hearing of visitors

**19. Board Comments**

**Wright-** mentioned Trustee Burlingame’s absence tonight is due to a death in his family. Commented on the Code dept stating the effort re: all comments mentioned earlier and reminded all that they are Firefighters as well. Asked for a contact re: Green Mountain Supply

**Dorner-**comments re: blight properties- he would give the owners a week to better their properties if it were up to them. He commented on item 12f and applauds the EPD

**Warner-**suggested to Trustee Wright to thankingGreen Mountain Supply for the mowing

**20. Executive Session**

To discuss the employment history and matters leading to the appointment of a particular person

A motion to enter into executive session at 7:23pm to discuss matters leading to the employment of a particular person was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Absent  Dorner-Yes Wright-Yes

A motion to exit executive session at 8:00pm was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Warner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Yes Warner- Absent

Dorner-Yes Wright-Yes

A motion to hire Asst Chief Craig Williams as a consultant to the Village at $50.00/per hour with a maximum of 35/hrs per month effective 11/19/2023 was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Trustee Dorner

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes

**21. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn at 8:05pm was made by Trustee Wright and seconded by Mayor Jackson

Roll Call

Mayor Jackson- Abstain Burlingame-Absent Warner-Yes

Dorner- Yes Wright- Yes