

9/16/25 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
5:30 PM Community House

Present: Village Clerk Derinda Greif, Trustees: Steve Elwood, Gary Warn, Melissa Battisti, Dominic Cuomo and Mayor Dawn White.

Attorney Norman Mastromoro, John Lull, Franny Hulbert-Shaut, Police Chief Chad Manley

Public: Art Dockerty, Dennis Clark, Margaret DiGiacomo, Nino Polidori, Peter Hoesel, Bill Bergan, Tammy Bergan, Leanne Brisbin, Connie Terricola, Bruce Fewdrick, Laurie Barney, Doyle Hampstead, Don Hampstead, Donna Springer, Jeff Swartz, Chad Oldark.

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Mayor White, the pledge was said.

Presentatation by Hyde Clarke from Young Sommer Group RE: Article 19A and rehabilitating delapidated properties.

Town Counselman Chad Oldwick raised questions about the increase of the new fire contracts. The Mayor encouraged that a counter offer be made for consideration by the Board.

Correspondence: Letter from Carmen Licari requesting to put a soda machine at the marina.

Public Comment: Dennis Clark wanted confirmation that the meetings are recorded. He expressed concern about the need for another employee at the sewer plant.

Trustee Dominic Cuomo leaves meeting @ 5:57 PM.

Jeff Swartz brings up concern about fire contract issues for Danube.

Donna Springer made the Board aware of the Steering Committee's website- embracesaintjohnsville.net, which explains the Village's comprehensive plan.

Department Heads:

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Report submitted.

DPW: Report submitted.

WWTP: Report submitted.

Police:

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to purchase a 2016 Ford Explorer as patrol car, with funds from the JAG grant. All ayes, motion carried.

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn to approve the location and setup of LPR's in the village of St Johnsville. The board approves of the Mayor signing the authorization letter when the contract is received. All ayes, motion carried.

Report submitted.

Dog Control: No report.

Codes: Report submitted. \$9000 in fines have been received and this is what will be used to run the article 19A Program to start taking care of blighted properties.

Marina: Letter sent. Report submitted.

Treasurer Report submitted.

Legal: Northland Communications Contract- Tabled

Old Business: Fire Contracts-

-A motion was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Baker for a 3% increase for one year, for the Town of Danube fire contract.

Aye: Trustee Warn Nay: Mayor White Motion passed.

Consent Agenda: A motion to create a consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the 8/12 Regular Meeting minutes and the 8/25 Public Hearing minutes was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion carried.

A motion to adopt said Agenda was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Warn. All ayes, motion carried.

Audit of Claims: A motion to accept the claims as presented to the Board as approved to the Board by the Clerk, in the amount of \$143,645.05 was made by Trustee Elwood and seconded by Trustee Battisti. All ayes, motion carried. The claims are broken down as follows:

General Fund:	\$ 77,165.14
Cemetery Fund:	\$ 7,500.00
Marina Fund:	\$ 11,129.32
Water Fund:	\$ 32,381.51
Sewer Fund:	\$ 15,469.08

New Business:

-A motion was made by Trustee Warn and seconded by Trustee Baker to pass Resolution NO 18 of 2025, authorizing an interfund loan with an interest rate of 5% from General Fund account to Water/Sewer Fund account in the amount of \$50,000. All ayes. Resolution passed.

-Office Software- updated financial software is being looked into for use in the office.

-A motion was made by Mayor White and seconded by Trustee Elwood to accept the new *Board Meeting Trustee Procedures & Rules for Public Attendance and Comment*, with amendment. All ayes, motion passed.

Public Comment:

Nino Polidori requests that it be made part of the meeting minutes that Trustee Cuomo left the meeting early after making disrespectful comments to him personally.

Margaret DiGiacomo commented that the Board is here for the people.

Mayor White reminded everyone of the importance of decorum at public meetings, as this is the only opportunity for the Board to meet and tend to the public's business.

Jeff Swartz reminded the board that the new truck will be arriving within the month.

6:35 PM: A motion to go into Executive Session was made by Trustee Elwood to discuss marina, employment for front office and waste water plant, 2nd by Trustee Warn.

7:37 PM: A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Trustee Warn, 2nd by Trustee Elwood.

Other:

-A motion was made to hire Leann Brisbin as Deputy Clerk by Trustee Warn, 2nd by Trustee Elwood. All ayes, motion passed.

-A motion was made to fix the Waste Water Treatment Plant pump by Trustee Elwood, 2nd by Trustee Warn, All ayes, motion passed.

-A motion was made to hire Shane Brandt Waste Water Treatment Plant Employee at the rate of \$22/hour by Mayor White, 2nd by Trustee Elwood. All ayes, motion passed.

7:40 PM: A motion to adjourn at was made by Trustee Elwood, 2nd by Trustee Baker.
Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting-October 21st at 5:30 PM