

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WARWICK
OCTOBER 3, 2022**

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The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Warwick was held on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in Village Hall, 77 Main Street, Warwick, NY. Present was: Mayor, Michael J. Newhard, Trustees: Bill Lindberg, Carly Foster, and Tom McKnight. Also, present was Deputy Village Clerk, Jennifer Mante. Trustee Barry Cheney was absent. Others present: Peggy Kurtz

The Mayor called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
The Deputy Village Clerk held the roll call.

Acceptance of Minutes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee McKnight, and carried for the Acceptance of Minutes: September 6, 2022.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye

Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Authorization to Pay all Approved and Audited Claims

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee McKnight, and carried for the authorization to pay all approved and audited claims in the amount of \$223,465.64.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye

Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Presentation

1. Joule Community Power - Community Choice Aggregation Program

Peggy Kurtz gave a presentation on behalf of Joule Community Power. Ms. Kurtz explained in detail the Community Choice Aggregation Program.

The Village Board asked many questions and requested additional information to be provided. The Village Board agreed to do more research on the project and intend to have additional discussions regarding Community Choice Aggregation.

Correspondence

1. Letter from Bill Iurato announcing his resignation as Village of Warwick Summer Concert Coordinator.

Mayor Newhard praised and thanked Mr. Iurato for his years of service.

Privilege of the Floor

Please limit your comments to **three (3)** minutes. If reading a document, please submit a copy to the Clerk. Please note all remarks must be addressed to the Board as a body and not to individual Board members. Please state your name clearly before speaking. These rules are taken from the Handbook for Village Officials – New York State Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials.

No comments were made.

Motions

Facility Use – Veterans Memorial Skatepark – Warwick Skate Initiative, Skatepark Fundraiser

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Lindberg, and carried to grant permission to Warwick Skate Initiative to use the Veterans Memorial Skatepark to hold a Game of Skate fundraiser event to benefit the Warwick and Greenwood Lake skateparks on Saturday, November 5, 2022, from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Completed park permit, proof of proper insurance, and security deposit have been received.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye

Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Special Event Staff – FY 2022-23 Halloween, Christmas Eve, Easter

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Lindberg, and carried to hire from the attached list of FY 2022-23 special event staff at a rate of \$15.00 per hour for the following events: 10-12 staff members for the Halloween Parade, 8-10 staff members for the Christmas Eve Service, and 10-12 staff members for the Easter Egg Hunt per the recommendation of Village of Warwick Recreation Director, Ron Introini.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye

Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCING AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TO AMEND VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 135,
"VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", TO ADD TRAFFIC SAFETY REGULATIONS
AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES**

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Warwick has a local law before it entitled: "A local law to amend Village Code Chapter 135, 'Vehicles and Traffic' to add traffic safety regulations and traffic control devices "; and

WHEREAS, in order to enact the said local law it is necessary to introduce it and hold a public hearing upon it,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the movant of this resolution does hereby introduce the attached proposed local law, and
2. That a public hearing on the proposed local law be set for November 7, 2022, at 7:30 o'clock p.m. and that due notice of the same is directed to be given by publication and posting.

Trustee Foster presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Lindberg,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows: **APPROVED**

Barry Cheney, Trustee, voting Absent

Carly Foster, Trustee, voting Aye

Thomas McKnight, Trustee, voting Aye

William Lindberg, Trustee, voting Aye

Michael Newhard, Mayor, voting Aye

Return of Planning Board Escrow – 13 Forester Ave., LLC

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McKnight, seconded by Trustee Lindberg, and carried to return the Planning Board escrow balance of \$375.50 to 13 Forester Ave., LLC for site plan approval at 13 Forester Ave. All invoices have been paid as per the email from Village Engineer, Dave Getz and Planning Board Attorney, Robert Dickover.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye

Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Orange County Office for Film and Tourism – Request to Film Downtown Warwick and Waive Permit Application / Security Deposit Fees

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Lindberg, and carried to grant permission to Mayor Newhard to proceed with decision making regarding the Orange County Office for Film and Tourism’s request to film in the downtown area of the Village of Warwick on October 14, 2022. Permission includes the ability to waive the Film Permit Application fee and security deposit.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye

Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Discussion

Trustee Foster said that the motion was being added due to the filming date taking place before the next Village Board meeting. Trustee Foster stated the Village was in the process of reevaluating its film policy, in which one of the proposals included a waiver of fees for government use. Trustee Foster explained that the Village received a request from the Orange County Office for Film and Tourism to film in the downtown area of the Village to showcase its beauty and to promote the video on their social media outlets.

Trustee McKnight asked if the motion would only apply to the specific request from Orange County Tourism.

Mayor Newhard confirmed that it would.

Trustee McKnight asked for clarification regarding the kinds of decisions the Mayor would be making.

Mayor Newhard replied that it would include the time of day and very basic things that would not be very involved.

Trustee McKnight asked what would be filmed.

Mayor Newhard did not know specifically but knew that it would be downtown.

Trustee Foster clarified that the application and insurance would still be required but the application fee and security deposit would be waived.

Final Comments from the Board

Trustee Foster explained that amendments to Local Law Chapter 135, “Vehicles and Traffic” would help address needs that, through conversations with residence, have arisen in the Village. Trustee Foster said that the crosswalk in front of Village Hall presents potential safety issues as multiple drivers heading southbound have previously mistaken the roadway for two lanes and have driven around cars stopped for pedestrians accessing the crosswalk. Trustee Foster stated that there would be a work session about pedestrian safety which would address speeding, as well as design solutions that could help, but how in the interim there will be two metered parking spots added to the front of Duncan Donuts to help folks realize it is not a double lane.

Mayor Newhard explained that the new parking spots would not be placed right to the corner but would be setback the standard amount of feet. Trustee Foster added the new spots were designed to not create any visibility issues.

Trustee Foster spoke of the second issue which was the need for additional accessible parking in Memorial Park. Trustee Foster explained how the existing accessible parking would be added to the Village code and how current spots would gain additional signage. Trustee Foster stated how one spot in particular would be brought up to current NYS code and how two additional accessible spots would be created at the skatepark on the side nearest the football field. Trustee Foster added that the parking spots in the skatepark would be gaining lines.

Mayor Newhard praised those who contributed to the project.

Executive Session

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee McKnight, and carried to enter Executive Session for discussion regarding the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property, or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye
Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Adjournment of Executive Session

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee McKnight, and carried to exit Executive Session and resume the regular meeting.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye
Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye

Adjournment

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Lindberg, and carried to adjourn the regular meeting at approximately 9:05 P.M.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Absent Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Lindberg Aye
Trustee McKnight Aye Mayor Newhard Aye