

MINUTES

Village of Newport Regular Meeting

September 16, 2024

The regular meeting of the Village of Newport was called to order on September 16, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Butler with the following members present:

Mayor – Marc Butler
Trustee – Steven Woods
Trustee – Thomas Roberts

Maureen Damone (Clerk), Richard Foster (Deputy Clerk), Herm Harris (Streets), Travis Coleman (Street Superintendent), George Farley (Codes & Zoning), Lynn Murphy (Treasurer), Christine Lynch (ZBA Secretary), M. Woods (Water Superintendent)

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Trustee Woods to accept the August Minutes; seconded by Mayor Butler and unanimously approved.

Public Comments: Trash Day was confirmed to be on September 20, 2024, and it was recommended that trash be placed outside the night before for an early morning pick-up.

Mayor's Report:

1. Mayor Butler officially welcomed Lynn Murphy as the new Village Treasurer.
2. Things are going smoothly in the Village, and a \$50,000 State grant has been promised to the Village for repairs to the new office building.

Department Reports:

Water: Travis Coleman reported that water bills went out. Monthly water report submitted. Mike Woods advised that he submitted his annual report.

Streets: Report submitted

Zoning Board/Planning Board: Report submitted. Ralph and Mark will be going to the Town of Webb training seminar.

Codes/Zoning Officer: Report submitted. George Farley advised that he would be appearing at the Town Court on September 17, 2024 before Judge Harris, and that John Joslin is scheduled to appear, as well.

Recreation: Mayor Butler advised that it was a successful year. And he commended the staff who ran the Playground program.

Treasurer: Report submitted

- Motions:

- (1) Amendment of Section C-1 under Site Plan Review to include breweries and distilleries under Section B Site Plan Review Uses, and to make the ZBA/Planning Board the lead agency in the site plan review process. This has been adjourned to next month's meeting.

- (2) A motion was made by Trustee Roberts to accept Local Law #4 re: Brush and Weeds into law; seconded by Trustee Woods. Unanimously approved.

- Resolution No. 2024-9 hiring Lynn Murphy as Village Treasurer for a probational salary of \$16/hour for 30 days beginning 9/12/24. Motion made by Trustee Woods to accept this Resolution; seconded by Trustee Roberts; unanimously approved.

The Mayor advised that there will be a Public Hearing on October 21, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. regarding new parking regulations, specifically regarding winter plowing, and to make parking illegal from midnight to 7:00 a.m., instead of from 11:00 p.m., in order not to have to change the current signs.

Mayor Butler motioned to go into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. regarding personnel, seconded by Trustee Woods. Executive Session ended at 8:15 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. upon motion of Trustee Woods, seconded by Mayor Butler.

VOUCHERS 67 – 87 and 89-100 were approved for payment.