

MEETING MINUTES
of the Village of Windsor, N.Y.
107 Main Street
Windsor, NY 13865
April 2, 2026

Present:	Mayor:	Ronald G. Harting
	Trustee	Elaine L. Card
		John R. McNulty
		James W. Miller
		Thomas M. Skinner
	Treasurer:	Patricia L. Harting
	Clerk	Courtney J. Decker
	Streets & Water Suptdnt:	David M. Decker
	Code Enforcement:	Richard Osborne - Absent
	Attendees:	5

Call to Order: **Time:** 7:00 P.M.
 By: Mayor Ron Harting

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Public Comment – 1.) Holly Gardinier, who was in attendance, inquired about the two paintings in the Village Office again. She believes that they may be by artist Joel Parkes and is interested in potentially confirming that and getting them restored. It has been previously discussed to have them restored; however, someone would need to transport them and have an appropriate vehicle to carry them in, not to mention the cost to have them restored could be quite expensive. Mayor Harting asked Trustee Card to investigate further into what it would entail to be able to move forward with restoration. Sending them for restoration has been previously discussed, however, it was during Covid and unfortunately did not come to fruition.

2.) Resident Sean Pomeroy was also in attendance, came in to request that the Village look into digging out/laying stone in the ditch in front of his house at 576 Kent Street. Similar to what we did across the street from him last year at 569 Kent Street. He feels it would help tremendously with the water drainage and standing water at the property. He also brought up the state of the home at 582 Kent Street. It is very dilapidated and has a lot of debris/garbage all around the property and is attracting rodents and bringing down the property value of his home and the area. Mayor Harting addressed both of his concerns; first, that the Village could look into the ditch and see what we may be able to do. Secondly, he said that he was aware of the condition of the home in question at 582 Kent Street. We have been in contact with the current owner and there has been violations sent as well. Per the current owner, he is well aware of the condition of the home and would like to fix it up and/or sell the property. However, due to health conditions and lack of expendable funds he is not able to maintain the residence and/or clean up everything all at once. Mayor Harting expressed his understanding of Sean's frustration and wanting the property cleaned up. However, being able to enforce our code and local laws takes time and we are trying to work with the property owner to rectify the situation.

Code Enforcement Report, Rich Osborne, not present, a report was given. - 1.) Once again building activity has been slow for the month. We have a pending building permit for a commercial renovation on the old Subway building. They are requesting a permit to add an additional entry but not enough information was submitted. 2.) Fire inspections are starting for the year; the response thus far has been less than desirable. As per NYS Executive Law, inspections are required and will be performed as directed. If responses are not received, the inspections will be conducted randomly and when entry can be gained. Typically, all churches are open on Sundays, so inspections could potentially be conducted then. Commercial

properties can look forward to me stopping in when the opportunity arises. 3.) Inspections have been performed on any open building permits as needed. 4.) A courtesy violation was delivered to the Dollar General located on Kent Street, concerning the accumulation of garbage and litter near their dumpster area and in the sediment pond in front of the establishment. This always seems to be concern after the snow has melted. 5.) Assisted in connecting the owner of the factory at Park Street with a possible tenant. They are now in communications and the potential tenant has been in touch with our office and is aware of the requirements if everything works out.

Attorney's Report – No report given, no activity.

Streets Report, David Decker, present, a report was given. – 1.) Supt. Decker has been working with Broome Bituminous to get prices on the streets that would potentially need to be paved this year. He presented to the board a breakdown in order of priority as to which streets were eligible and needed to be paved. The list of potential streets, starting with top priority is as follows: -Castle Drive with a cost of \$13,419.30, - Lona Drive with a cost of \$12,050.94, - King Road with a cost of \$7,127.97, -Gary Street with a cost of \$5,607.57, -Cresson Hill Road with a cost of \$6,2917.50, -Depot Street with a cost of \$8,465.02. In addition to the prices quoted there would also be an additional milling fee for the overall cost not per street of \$2925.00. After discussion of what streets to pave and checking with Treasurer Harting as to what funds were available, it was decided to pave the first three streets from the list. A motion was made to pave Castle Drive for \$13,419.30, Lona Drive for \$12,050.94 and King Road for \$7,127.97 and the addition of \$2925.00 milling; totaling \$35,523.21

Motion: to approve paving of Castle Drive, Lona Drive and King Road and milling cost for a total of \$35,523.21

By: Elaine L. Card
2nd: James W. Miller
Vote: AYE - All

2.) Along with resident Sean Pomeroy from 576 Kent Street, the Catholic Church also had a contractor stop by regarding the ditch on Kent Street. 3.) We replaced a pipe on Chestnut Street; the old one had to dug out and was completely blocked. 4.) We will be taking the salt spreader off next week and storing the plows away in the salt bin. We will begin brush pick-up on April 13th. 5.) The resident at 11 Grove Street contacted the office, she is very concerned about the two large pine trees in the yard along side Gary Drive. Limbs are constantly coming down in her yard and on the street and she is afraid that someone may get hurt and/or that they may fall on her house. Supt. Decker did go and check the situation; the trees are bad and do in fact need to come down. There were four in total he questioned the two large pines and two smaller red pines. He reached out to Chris with CCR to get quotes and determine what should be done. Supt. Decker will work in conjunction with Chris on this project to help keep costs down. Since the trees are so tall and massive Chris will have to climb the trees and cut the branches, working in sections. Chris will be chipping the branches and the Village can haul the trees away. Chris quoted 4K for the largest pine; 3K for the other pine; and \$1,200.00 for each of the smaller red pines. Supt. Decker asked the board how they would like to proceed. After a discussion, it was decided that for now, the Village would pay to have the two large pine trees removed. A motion was made to have the two large pine trees removed for a total of \$7,000.00.

Motion: to approve cutting down the two large pine trees on Gary Drive at the property address of 11 Grove Street, using CCR to cut them down for \$7,000.00

By: Thomas M. Skinner
2nd: Elaine L. Card
Vote: AYE – All

6.) Due to lack of time this month, we were not able to get specs for the new trucks and trade-in prices. Hopefully, this month we will be able to do that. 7.) We need new tires on both of the trucks. We still have not heard back from Jamie on the cost of the new tires. Supt. Decker asked what the board would like to do; leave the studs on until we get the price for the meeting next month or go ahead and have him order them when he gets back in touch. The board told Supt. Decker to go ahead and order them. 8.) Regarding the gazebo steps; we have not had much luck. Due to the size requirements not being typical, no one is willing to make the forms to use since it is unlikely they will be able to use them again. Between numerous phone calls and emails, Supt. Decker has reached out to multiple businesses, all of which are not able to take the job. We may have to block off and pour the concrete to give it time to cure since we are not able to locate forms for our size requirements. Will be calling around to prices and go from there.

Water Report, David Decker, present, a report was given – 1.) The annual DEC report is done, also working on the 1st quarter report for the SRBC and the annual water quality report. 2.) Well number one failed on March 13th, we had to have Matco and Evans come in and they did some testing on the motor and pulled the pump out with a crane. The motor shows that it is still ok, meaning the pump is bad. I suggest that we replace both the motor and the pump based on age. The pumps that we have used in the past have been discontinued. Supt. Decker has been in contact with multiple companies in the past few weeks to find suitable replacements. Trying to look back at our records to get info for replacements has been difficult. Unfortunately, during the floods of 2006 and 2011, we lost most of our information. We are still checking around and are waiting to hear back on a few motors/pumps. Some have been incompatible, with too much horsepower or the wrong style mount since we also need the unit to be submersible. The quote from Franklin is looking to be the most promising; including the pump we need; which is very dependable. We will also be keeping the current motor for a back-up since it will work for both of the wells. There is a three-week lead time on getting this pump and motor but board approval is needed. However, I do not have a final quote yet. The cost should be between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars. Supt. Decker asked if the board would approve the purchase without a set price but a range. A motion was made to give Supt. Decker permission to order the motor and pump not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars.

Motion: to purchase well pump and motor for up to twenty-five thousand dollars

By: Elaine L. Card
2nd: James W. Miller
Vote: AYE – All

3.) We will be flushing hydrants over the next couple weeks as time warrants. Along with reading water meters and replacing some water meters. We have approximately ten water meters that definitely need to be replaced. However, I would like to replaced thirty to forty meters in the near future and then a smaller amount each reading in the future to start updating some of the really old meters. Also, by replacing them at reading time will help the transition for the billing cycle.

Treasurer's Report, Patricia Harting, present, a report was given. 1.) Treasurer Harting went over both of her reports; the year end report for 2025-2026 and last month's numbers.

Motion: to accept the Treasurer's Report(s)

By: Elaine L. Card
2nd: James W. Miller
Vote: AYE – All

Motion: to pay bills as authorized by vouchers signed by board members for \$29,599.03

By: John R. McNulty
2nd: Elaine L. Card
Vote: AYE – All

Clerk's Report, Courtney J. Decker, present, a report was given. – 1.) The office has been busy accepting taxes and water payments. Late letters for water will be sent out this week. 2.) Water meter reading cards have been sent out and I will be entering in all readings collected to generate water bills for the past six months of water usage. 3.) Clerk Decker asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from last month's board meeting on March 5th.

Motion: to approve the Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2026

By: James W. Miller

2nd: Elaine L. Card

Vote: AYE – All

Mayor's Report – 1.) Mayor Harting presented a proposal for the Village board to look over. The proposal is for Engineering Services with Keystone Associates. The project would be for them to provide a water model for our current water system and a new water storage tank. Mayor Harting went over the proposal and cost; the cost for the Engineering Services is estimated to be \$24,350.00. A motion was made to accept the proposal for \$24,350.00.

Motion: to accept proposal from Keystone Associates for a model of the water system and a new water tank for \$24,350.00.

By: John R. McNulty

2nd: James W. Miller

Vote: AYE - All

2.) Mayor Harting also discussed the details of a recent meeting that he, Treasurer Harting and Clerk Decker attended with NBT Bank. He filled the board in to the potential gains that the Village could make by moving some funds/accounts around. We would be getting rid of our CD's and savings account; funds would be put into an ICS (Insured Cash Sweep) account. There are many benefits to making this transition, some of which are; being fully FDIC insured, the potential to earn more interest and not having to have our funds tied up with certain requirements of our previous accounts. Mayor Harting, Treasurer Harting and Clerk Decker answered questions from the trustees and a discussion was had. Trustee Skinner did ask that we leave a twenty-thousand-dollar balance in the checking account; which was agreed upon. A motion was made to move funds and utilize the ICS account with NBT Bank.

Motion: to move funds into the ICS account with NBT Bank

By: John R. McNulty

2nd: James W. Miller

Vote: AYE - All

Motion: to adjourn at 8:31 p.m.

By: John R. McNulty

2nd: Elaine L. Card

Vote: AYE - All

Respectfully Submitted,

Courtney J. Decker, Village Clerk