

**VILLAGE OF GENESEO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**June 5, 2023
Regular Meeting**

Board Present:

Chris Ivers, Mayor
Keith Walters, Deputy Mayor
Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee
Eddie Lee, Trustee
Katarina Woods, Trustee

Other Village Representatives Present:

Aprile S. Mack, Clerk/Treasurer
Nicholas A. Pezzino, Barton & Loguidice
Rich Bennett, LaBella
Dan Quinlan, Superintendent of Public Works

Public Present:

Martin Miskell, Second Street Resident
Margaret Lee, Livingston County News
Gretchen Crane, Second Street Resident

1. Meeting Opened:

Mayor Ivers opened the meeting at 5pm. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Second Street/Oak Street Project:

Richard Bennett, LaBella Project Manager for the Second Street/Oak Street project appeared before the Board with several different items.

1. Review of SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review) Parts 2 and 3:

Mr. Bennett explained that many of the items marked in Part 2 of the SEQR are considered to have no significant environmental impact or have little impact.

The New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Office reviewed Part 1 of the SEQR and the drawings submitted to them and have stated in a response letter that it is in their opinion that the project will have No Adverse Effect on Historic Resources.

Given this information, Mr. Bennett feels as though the Board could move forward with declaring a Negative Declaration, meaning that the project will not have any significant adverse impacts on the environment, and therefore an environmental impact statement does not need to be prepared.

Therefore, Deputy Mayor Walters moved adoption of the following resolution with second from Trustee Woods:

WHEREAS, in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) regulations, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Geneseo conducted an environmental review of the Second Street and Oak Street Rebuild and Rehabilitation Project (the "Project") consisting of the following: rehabilitation and replacement of existing infrastructure along portions of Second and Oak Streets. The project limits along Second Street extend from Center Street to North Street, approximately 1,430 feet. The project limits along Oak Street extend from Highland Road to 2nd Street, approximately 1,890 feet. The project will provide improvements to the pavement and other features within the street corridors, to storm sewer, water main and sanitary sewer systems; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined that the proposed action is a Type I Action as defined under SEQR; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has commissioned LaBella Associates DPC to prepare an environmental assessment of the significance of and potential environmental impact of the action described above; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board now desires to make its determination of significance in accordance with the SEQRA regulations at 6 NYCRR §617.7.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

1. The Village Board declares that, based on the Environmental Record which has been prepared, the Project will not result in any large and important impacts, and therefore, will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. A Negative Declaration under SEQRA is therefore issued for this project, and the Mayor of the Village of Geneseo is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue, on behalf of the Village, the Negative Declaration in the Part 3 of the Environmental Assessment Form.
2. The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:
Mayor Chris Ivers: Aye
Deputy Mayor Keith Walters: Aye
Trustee Marlene Hamann-Whitmore: Aye
Trustee Eddie Lee: Aye
Trustee Katarina Woods: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

2. NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) – Water Main:

Mr. Bennett explained that LaBella would like to apply for a WIIA Grant on behalf of the Village for the water main for the Second Street/Oak Street project. At this time, LaBella is requesting a resolution from the Board authorizing the Mayor to sign and submit the application.

Therefore, Deputy Mayor Walters moved adoption of the following resolution with second from Trustee Woods:

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo has caused to be undertaken Second Street and Oak Street Water Distribution System Improvement project consisting of replacement of the existing water distribution system on Oak Street and Second Street between North Street and Center Street. Material installation includes approximately 3,300 LF 8" main, valves, disinfection and sampling tap, lead service line replacement, hydrant installation, appurtenances thereof, and full-depth surface repair of areas impacted by construction; and

WHEREAS, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation is offering grants for clean and drinking water projects during the 2023-2024 state fiscal year to selected municipalities with infrastructure projects that protect public health and/or improve water quality; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo is seeking funding through the NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement (WIIA) Grant; and

WHEREAS, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation requires a resolution authorizing the undertaking of the project and the total funding appropriated for the project. The resolution must also designate a representative of the applicant who is authorized to sign the funding agreement with EFC and any associated documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Village of Geneseo authorizes the undertaking of Second Street and Oak Street Water Distribution System Improvements and the estimated project cost is \$1,977,550; and

RESOLVED, that the Village of Geneseo proposes to meet the financial obligations necessary to fully and satisfactorily complete the project through Environmental Facilities Short Term and Long-Term Financing; and

RESOLVED, that the Village of Geneseo authorizes and empowers the Village of Geneseo Mayor to sign and submit a grant application and sign the grant funding agreement with Environmental Facilities Corporation and any associated documents.

Mayor Ivers stated that this resolution does not commit the Village to spending any money. The resolution allows the Village to apply for a grant and seek short term and long-term financing for the project if the Village is awarded any grant funds. Mr. Bennett confirmed what Mayor Ivers stated. Trustee Lee asked when the WIIA grant was due and when would the Village know whether or not it had been awarded any funding. Mr. Bennett stated that the application deadline is July 28th and the award announcement is usually late November.

Trustee Lee asked if the Village would be responsible for 40% of the project cost as listed as an estimated project cost in the resolution. Mr. Bennett believes that percentage to be true. Trustee Lee also noted that the resolution references that the Village proposes to meet the financial obligations necessary to fully and satisfactorily complete the project through Environmental Facilities (EFC) Short Term and Long-Term Financing. Trustee Lee asked if that was a bond. Mayor Ivers stated that it would be, and that the Village intends to work with BPD (Bernard P Donegan Inc) Financial Planners to get that bonding in place. Mr. Bennett explained that putting a dollar figure into the resolution along with stating the Village's intent is to move forward with the application and that there will be conversations prior to the Board accepting the grant and signing an agreement. Mayor Ivers agreed and stated that he plans on meeting with BPD on Wednesday to discuss this further.

Trustee Lee asked how moving forward with the WIIA Grant Applications for the Second Street/Oak Street project connected to the next item on the Board's agenda which is the Sewer Plant Project as it is his understanding that Barton & Loguidice will also be applying for a WIIA Grant for the Sewer Plant project. Trustee Lee asked if that meant the Village was in competition with itself.

Nick Pezzino, from Barton & Loguidice stated that the answer to that question is yes and no. He also stated that it is very unlikely for two wastewater projects from the same municipality to be awarded grant funds for two different projects. However, it is not unlikely for the same municipality to be granted a wastewater and water grant for two different projects.

Discussion followed. It was agreed upon in the terms of the agreement with LaBella that they would apply for every grant possible for the Second Street/Oak Street project. Mr. Bennett stated that that was correct and that they have also been looking at a Tap Grant through NYS DOT. Trustee Lee asked again about the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) as he believes there are at least two grants that could be applied for under the CFA. Mr. Bennett believed that Ed Flynn from his office emailed the Village in regard to the CFA and why this project would not fit under it.

Some discussion took place regarding the possibility of accepting the award and then delaying the project for six months. Mr. Bennett believes that with these types of grants there is a hard deadline as to when the project must be completed by, and that funding cannot be pushed off into a different year. This is also true because the project is weather dependent, Mr. Bennett stated that construction should take place between April and November.

Trustee Lee stated that he is concerned about the sequential nature of this especially determining the local share. Instead, the Village is now running up against deadlines with not much review by the Board as whole. As Mayor Ivers stated earlier, he stated again that he has a meeting with BPD on Wednesday to discuss financing.

Trustee Lee stated that he is not speaking on behalf of the Board but asks that LaBella take a hard look at the Consolidated Funding Application and the Quality Improvement Program as sponsored by the Department of Environmental Conservation. Deputy Mayor Walters asked when LaBella felt as though they could give the Village an answer on the CFA. Mr. Bennett stated that their office could look at it this week and get back to the Board.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore asked if the Board wanted to discuss prioritizing projects. Mayor Ivers stated that he feels as though the Village should move forward with all of the projects as discussed and will be discussed tonight. He believes that all of the items/updates need to be done and that unfortunately the Village needs to do them all at once.

Regarding the Barton & Loguidice Sewer Plant project, there are no timeframes in place, but Trustee Lee believes that they are also looking at the July 28th application deadline for the WIIA grant. Mr. Pezzino stated that that was correct, but that there are different contributing factors. Trustee Lee suggested that Mr. Pezzino also look at the Consolidated Funding Application as a source of grant funding for the Sewer Plant project.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore asked if Dan Quinlan, Village Superintendent of Public Works has been spoken to about the two projects and competing for the same grant funding. Dan stated that he believes that the Village should apply for any grant funding that it can get and that any funds the Village is able to get is good. He did state that for several years nothing has been done and that at this point, there are no commitments in place. He knows that the Village looks for zero to low interest rates on bonds and that BPD will work with the Village on that.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore stated that if the Board does not move forward, then nothing gets done. Trustee Woods stated that she believes it is not in the best interests of the Village not to ask for grant funding.

Mayor Ivers stated that Trustee Lee has made some really good points, but that there was a motion on the table.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Mayor Chris Ivers: Aye

Deputy Mayor Keith Walters: Aye

Trustee Marlene Hamann-Whitmore: Aye

Trustee Eddie Lee: Aye

Trustee Katarina Woods: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

3. NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) – Sanitary Sewer:

Mr. Bennett explained that LaBella would like to apply for a WIIA Grant on behalf of the Village for the sanitary sewer portion of the Second Street/Oak Street project. At this time, LaBella is requesting a resolution from the Board authorizing the Mayor to sign and submit the application.

Therefore, Deputy Mayor Walters moved adoption of the following resolution with second from Trustee Woods:

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo has caused to be undertaken Second Street and Oak Street Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvement project consisting of replacement of the existing

sewer infrastructure on Oak Street and Second Street between North Street and Center Street. Material installation includes approximately 2,650 LF 8" PVC, approximately 675 LF 10" PVC, approximately 55 LF 12" PVC, sewer lateral pipe, cleanouts, precast sanitary sewer manhole, appurtenances thereof, and full-depth surface repair of areas impacted by construction; and

WHEREAS, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation is offering grants for clean and drinking water projects during the 2023-2024 state fiscal year to selected municipalities with infrastructure projects that protect public health and/or improve water quality; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo is seeking funding through the NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement (WIIA) Grant; and

WHEREAS, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation requires a resolution authorizing the undertaking of the project and the total funding appropriated for the project. The resolution must also designate a representative of the applicant who is authorized to sign the funding agreement with EFC and any associated documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Village of Geneseo authorizes the undertaking of Second Street and Oak Street Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements and the estimated project cost is \$2,827,285; and

RESOLVED, that the Village of Geneseo proposes to meet the financial obligations necessary to fully and satisfactorily complete the project through Environmental Facilities Short Term and Long-Term Financing; and

RESOLVED, that the Village of Geneseo authorizes and empowers the Village of Geneseo Mayor to sign and submit a grant application and sign the grant funding agreement with Environmental Facilities Corporation and any associated documents.

Mayor Ivers asked if there were any comments or questions. Mayor Ivers again stated that moving forward with this resolution does not commit the Village to anything. Trustee Lee stated again that he hopes that LaBella can review the Consolidated Funding Application for this portion of the Second Street/Oak Street project.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Mayor Chris Ivers: Aye

Deputy Mayor Keith Walters: Aye

Trustee Marlene Hamann-Whitmore: Aye

Trustee Eddie Lee: Aye

Trustee Katarina Woods: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

4. Monthly Update:

Mr. Bennett stated that LaBella is getting all of the documentation in place for grant deadlines. He appreciates that the Board was able to meet on such short notice to move forward with the NBRC Grant and apologized for not getting that to the Board for their May meeting. The NBRC grant was sent in last Friday. They will be working with Mayor Ivers and BPD for financing for the project as a whole.

Mr. Bennett also supplied the Board with a Second and Oak Street Design Milestone Schedule with important dates on it.

3. Sewer Plant Project – Barton & Loguidice:

Nick Pezzino, Barton & Loguidice Project Manager, appeared before the Board with information on moving forward with a capital improvement project for the Sewer Plant. Mr. Pezzino first wanted to compliment the Village on having one of the cleanest, nicest, well-maintained sewer plants he has seen. Mr. Pezzino explained that there is a problem with the digester at the Sewer Plant and it is not working the way it should be. Barton & Loguidice would like to move forward with applying for a WIIA Grant for the updates needed at the Sewer Plant.

Mr. Pezzino continued by explaining that when Barton & Loguidice does engineering studies like this one, they look at the entire sewer plant to see what capital improvement projects need done immediately, within five years, within ten years and as far as within twenty years. Although the Village may not be ready to do all of those projects, the grant application to WIIA will include all of the projects.

The first step is to complete the SEQR (State Environmental Quality Review) by reviewing Part 1 of the document and declaring the intent for the Village to be Lead Agency for the SEQR for this project. In declaring the intent to be Lead Agency, the coordinated review process starts.

Deputy Mayor Walters moved that the Mayor of the Village of Geneseo, Christopher Ivers, is hereby authorized as the official representative of the Village of Geneseo to execute and submit grant applications, SEQR documents or other documents required for the Wastewater Plant Capital Improvement Project as outlined by Barton & Loguidice. Trustee Woods seconded the motion. Mayor Ivers asked if there were any questions or comments.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore asked if SUNY Geneseo would bring any funding to this project. Dan Quinlan explained that they would not bring any funding directly to the project, but with the algorithm as calculated yearly for their sewer use, they would be indirectly paying for part of the project. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore asked if the Village could go to them and ask for additional funding. It was noted that the Village could, but that they are basically considered an institutional user with an agreed upon algorithm for sewer.

Trustee Lee stated that in reviewing the items submitted a new building is proposed for within the site. Mr. Pezzino stated that if the funding comes through, that is the plan. Mr. Pezzino continued by stating that the intended scope of the project is not to increase the capacity of the plant but to maintain the plant and extend the life of the plant for approximately another twenty years.

Trustee Lee asked if there was a rough estimate on the cost of the project. Mr. Pezzino explained that Barton & Loguidice tiers their plans. The first tier includes the Village's immediate needs, the second tier includes items the plant could clearly benefit from, and the third tier includes every improvement possible to extend the life of the plant up to twenty years. The first tier is estimated at approximately \$3 million. The second tier, which includes the first tier, is estimated at between \$8-\$9 million and the third tier, which includes everything, is estimated at between \$15-\$16 million. Mr. Pezzino explained that if significant grant funding is not available, then the project could be scaled back.

Trustee Lee asked about passing a bond resolution for this project. Mr. Pezzino explained that when applying for a WIIA grant, part of the grant package is that a bonding resolution has been passed. Trustee Lee noted that the Board has another meeting scheduled in June and then two meetings in July prior to the July 28th deadline. Mr. Pezzino stated that they will have a Bond Resolution available for the Board in July.

Hearing no further discussion with a motion on the table, Mayor Ivers asked for a vote. The motion passed with ayes from all.

Deputy Mayor Keith Walters moved adoption of the following resolution with second from Trustee Katarina Woods:

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo (Village) is proposing the Village of Geneseo Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project (Project), located in the Village of Geneseo, Livingston County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Project has been classified as a “Type I Action” as defined by the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) in 6 NYCRR Part 617.4; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Village of Geneseo Village Board to assume the role of “Lead Agency” for purposes of conducting a SEQRA/SERP assessment of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Part I of a Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF) has been completed, reviewed by the Village of Geneseo Village Board, and will be circulated to all Interested and Involved Agencies for purposes of establishing the Village of Geneseo Village Board as “Lead Agency” in accordance with 6 NYCRR Part 617.6(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Mayor of the Village of Geneseo hereby is authorized to sign Part I of the FEAF (page 13); and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Village of Geneseo will send said Part I of the FEAF and associated site figure to the attached list of “Interested and Involved Agencies” under cover of a “Notice of Intent to Establish Lead Agency” letter for purposes of establishing Lead Agency status under the SEQRA/SERP; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Village of Geneseo and the Village Board, together with the Village of Geneseo Attorney and B&L, are hereby authorized to take all actions, serve all notices, and complete all documents required to give full force and effect to this determination.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Chris Ivers: Aye

Deputy Mayor Keith Walters: Aye

Trustee Marlene Hamann-Whitmore: Aye

Trustee Eddie Lee: Aye

Trustee Katarina Woods: Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. Pezzino stated that Barton & Loguidice will send out the Lead Agency letters. Mr. Pezzino also stated that they are working on final project numbers so that bond resolution language can be drafted for the Board to review and approve.

Trustee Lee asked if Barton & Loguidice is looking at other funding sources besides the WIIA grant, such as the CFA. Mr. Pezzino stated that they are and that they as a firm tend to get the maximum grant funding amounts for their clients. He continued by stating that they will also be looking at the WQIP – Water Quality Improvement Program grant.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore asked about how often would the Board hear from Mr. Pezzino if the Village is successful in obtaining the grant funding. Mr. Pezzino stated that this was up to the Board and that he does plan to attend the Board’s next meeting and will provide the Board with administrative deadlines.

4. Second Street/Oak Street Project continued:

Mayor Ivers asked the Second Street residents that are in attendance if they would like to address the Board, noting that this is not something that the Mayor or Board usually does without being an agenda item, therefore is stating that this is non-binding and not setting any precedents of the Board.

Gretchen Crane asked going forward what the expected communication between the Board and residents/property owners would be. Mayor Ivers explained that public informational meetings will be held once more details are available on the project.

Mrs. Crane also asked what the plan was if the Village did not receive any grant funding. Mayor Ivers explained that the Board has had this conversation and what was an approximately \$4 million project is now creeping towards being a \$10 million project. It would make more sense if the project was done as a whole instead of in parts, but the Village does not know right now. Recently the Village has paid off some debt service and is looking for zero percent financing, but it really does not know.

Mrs. Crane asked if both Second Street and Oak Street have to be done together. Mayor Ivers stated that the Village does not have an answer to that right now either. Mr. Moran, a Second Street property owner, already has completed some work on his property to mitigate drainage problems. It is believed that possibly other mitigating things could take place on the north side of Oak Street, but currently the Village just does not know.

Mrs. Crane asked if new fire hydrants would be installed. Mayor Ivers was not sure at this time, but that it is in the engineering plans and unfortunately, the Engineer and Dan have already left the meeting to ask them.

Mrs. Crane asked if while the street is dug up would the property owners be given an opportunity to do work on their own properties or should she contact Dan. At the public informational meetings which will be held, the public will be given an opportunity to ask such questions, but she and others are always welcome to contact Dan with questions.

5. “Outdoor Sprouts” and “Farr Out Kids Yoga” request for use of Highland Park:

Mayor Ivers stated that Erica Farr who is requesting use of green space at Highland Park for “Outdoor Sprouts” and “Farr Out Kids Yoga” was not available for tonight’s meeting, therefore she will be asked to attend the next meeting on June 26th. The Board did have some questions and wanted to have a conversation with her, therefore decided to table this matter.

6. Action Items:

2023-2024 Livingston County Economic Development Downtown Partnership Memo of Understanding: Deputy Mayor Walters moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with second from Trustee Woods. It was noted that the Board had already discussed the MOU with Downtown Coordinator Louise Wadsworth earlier in the Spring and that the amount of \$5,000 for the MOU was approved within the 2023-2024 general fund budget. Hearing no further discussion, the motion passed with ayes from all.

Noise Permit Application: Richelle Harlan has applied for a noise permit for Saturday, July 1, 2023 from 11:30am-3:30pm for an alcohol-free wedding reception to be held at the Livingston County Historical Society Museum located at 30 Center Street. Trustee Woods moved to approve the Noise Permit with second from Deputy Mayor Walters. The Board questioned whether or not a noise permit was required for this time of day, but agreed that since the application was before them, they should move forward with approving. The motion passed with ayes from all.

2023 Farmers Market: The 2023 Geneseo Farmers' Market is scheduled to begin on Thursday, June 22nd and run through Thursday, October 12th. The market is scheduled to run on Center Street from Main Street to the municipal lot entrance from 3:00pm to 6:30pm with vendors normally beginning to set up around 2:00pm and tear down usually takes until 7:00pm. Trustee Woods moved to approve closure of Center Street from 2pm-7pm every Thursday beginning June 22nd and ending October 12th. Deputy Mayor Walters seconded the motion.

Some discussion took place regarding who would be managing the Market and who would be a contact person. Mayor Ivers and Deputy Mayor Walters believed it to be Kyli Stevens, a vendor participating in the market from Fire Creek Farms. Discussion also took place whether or not parking enforcement would be enforced on Market days and whether or not parking was free during the market. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore suggested that meter bags be placed on the meters on Market days. Trustee Woods suggested that a sign be put near the road closure signs to state that parking was free during Market hours. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore will speak with Chief Osganian about the Parking Enforcement Officer's Thursday hours during market times.

7. Discussion Items:

Village Zoning Code – Parking Minimums Update: Deputy Mayor Walters stated that he had no updates at this time.

Hoochenanny Whiskey Festival Update: Deputy Mayor Walters reported that finalists for performances are being chosen now, once they have been secured, a final plan will be put together in July for Board approvals in late July, early August.

Route 20A Committee Update: Deputy Mayor Walters reported that the committee was not able to meet last week, but that there has been some discussion about the Route 39 corridor from Westview Crescent to the Geneseo Central School. The Committee was hoping to apply for a Consolidated Funding Grant, but unless the project is tied to water or sewer lines, it is not a viable option. The next meeting is scheduled for this Wednesday morning. Deputy Mayor Walters will bring it to the Committee's attention that the name of the group should possibly be changed since it has now been broadened to include Route 39 and other parts of the Village and Town.

Website Update: Trustee Hamann-Whitmore and Town of Geneseo Council Person Rob Deming have received the following quotes from the following four vendors:

1. Little Hive

- a. Located in Avon, New York
- b. Uses ProcessWire as their Content Management Software (CMS).
- c. Timeline: To Be Determined
- d. Launch Cost: \$25,000
- e. Annual Cost: \$350

2. Catalis

- a. Located in the State of Georgia
- b. Uses custom (CMS).
- c. Timeline: 12 Weeks
- d. Launch Cost: \$5,995
- e. Annual Cost: \$6,355

3. Civic Plus

- a. Located in the State of Kansas
- b. Uses Drupal as their CMS.
- c. Timeline: 12 Weeks

d. Launch Cost: \$6,170

e. Annual Cost: \$5,429

4. Given Wings

a. Located in Honeoye Falls, New York

b. Uses Wordpress for their CMS.

c. Timeline: 4 Weeks

d. Launch Cost: \$10,128

e. Annual Cost: \$240

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore stated that after speaking with these vendors, looking at the costs, timeline and keeping in mind staying local as discussed at that last meeting, her recommendation is to move forward with Little Hive. However, Given Wings does seem to be the least expensive vendor, but she does not believe that they will be able to incorporate all the items the Village wishes to incorporate into the website and does not believe that WordPress is a good CMS. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore pointed out that the owner of Little Hive is very involved in Letchworth Gateway Villages and Parks and Trails NY and is immensely connected to many things which the Village of Geneseo also wishes to be connected to.

It is Trustee Hamann-Whitmore's fear that the Town may want to go with Given Wings because of the price and she does not know which one is preferred by Town Council Person Deming. There was some brief discussion about what would happen if the Town decided against Little Hive. It was agreed that the Village would continue on their own with Little Hive if the Town did not want to go with them. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore did want to state that it was a pleasure working with Rob.

Summer Festival Update: Trustee Hamann-Whitmore has been attending Geneseo Rotary Summer Festival meetings on Saturday mornings. She stated that Rotary has been doing this for thirty plus years and it takes many people and a lot of details to do what they do. Rotary is very appreciative that someone from the Village Board has been attending the festival meetings.

Highland Park Plan: There is no official plan for Highland Park yet. It was noted that the NY Forward Grant is not guaranteed for the park and if funds are received from that, they will not be available until next year, therefore the group may want to pursue other grant opportunities. The Consolidated Funding Application is due in a few weeks and there are grants available through New York State Parks for up to \$500,000 to \$750,000. Deputy Mayor Walters believes it would be wise for the Highland Park Committee to go after these funding opportunities through the Village. EDR, the company completing the Park's Master Plan is willing to pursue grant funding opportunities on the Village's behalf for an additional \$7,000. Mayor Ivers believes that the Board would need more information before agreeing to an additional \$7,000 cost and that the Highland Park Committee should meet to discuss putting together a NY Forward Grant application. Trustee Lee wondered if a master plan was required for the Consolidated Funding Application as that application is due at the end of July.

NY Forward Grant: A Public Information meeting was held on the NY Forward Grant last week. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) is scheduled to meet again on June 21st followed by another public information meeting. There was a lot of public interest, and the Village is ready to move forward. The Village needs to develop a priority list of items they want to include in any grant applications including the NY Forward Grant.

Livingston County Water & Sewer Authority (LCWSA) Update: Mayor Ivers reported that the Authority has decided that it is better to work with Geneseo than go around us. Mayor Ivers stated that his number one goal is to continue to make the Village solvent for the next 30-50 years

which means remaining in the water business. Mayor Ivers continued by explaining that what that looks like is the conversations that are happening now.

One of the reasons all this came to light with the Authority is because they have money to spend from a settlement with the AKZO salt mine collapse, which was to bring clean drinking water to the areas affected by the collapse. What is important to know is that the Village is now in the conversation and working with the Authority to get the water over the river and to those affected areas.

Divide and Conquer: The Village Board has a lot of things going on and that they are involved in.

Court: The yearly Court Audit is due to be completed. Mayor Ivers asked Trustee Lee if he could work with Court Clerk Molisani in getting that completed for this year. Trustee Lee is happy to work with Julie on this.

8. Board Updates/Information:

Fire Department: Trustee Woods reported from Chief Chanler that there were no issues at the Air Show this past weekend. Chief Chanler would like to thank Dan Quinlan, Village Superintendent of Public Works, for the use of their equipment over the weekend.

The NYS Health Department inspected the ambulances right before/during the air show and found no items of concern. This is great news as the State has been inspecting multiple departments and have shut down multiple ambulances.

Police Department: Trustee Hamann-Whitmore stated that all should be in receipt of Chief Osganian's monthly report from May and the weekly activity report as emailed.

Village Court: Trustee Lee stated that he had nothing new to report from Court Clerk Molisani.

Geneseo Community Main Street: Trustee Lee reported that Geneseo Community Main Street is relying on the first Friday of each month for some type of event. In May there was the Wine Sip and Stroll, June was SUNY Geneseo Alumni weekend and July will be the Summer Festival.

2024 Total Solar Eclipse: Trustee Lee reported that Livingston County Tourism is planning events centered around the Solar Eclipse that is scheduled for April 8, 2024. Sweet Water, Tennessee held a festival for the last solar eclipse. They are smaller than the Village of Geneseo and had approximately 50,000 tourists visit their small town during the eclipse. Representatives from Sweet Water were in Livingston County recently telling their story on how they attracted that many visitors. Trustee Lee stated that it has been determined that Caledonia will be the best place to view the solar eclipse as that will be where it is in Livingston County for the longest period of time. Trustee Lee is hoping that the Village can partner with Geneseo Community Main Street or some entity to make it a big deal in Geneseo.

Department of Public Works: Deputy Mayor Walters stated on behalf of Superintendent of Public Works Dan Quinlan that all should be in receipt of his emailed report.

2022-2023 Outstanding Items Due to Village of Geneseo: Clerk/Treasurer Mack reported that there are several outstanding invoices due to the Village from the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Most of them are general fund invoices. She explained that a lot of the general invoices are ones that have been mailed out in the last thirty days, however, there are several that are for Code Enforcement Office related inspections that have been already completed but not paid. Many of them are repeat offenders. These invoices in many cases have been sent a second, third, fourth or even fifth notice. There was some discussion on why these were not levied to the Village property taxes and if the Board made a Local Law could they be levied. Clerk/Treasurer Mack was not sure but would be happy to

investigate that. In the meantime, she will work on getting final figures to the Board on what is outstanding.

9. Executive Session:

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to enter into executive session at 7:00pm to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. Mayor Ivers asked that all in attendance except the Board leave the meeting. Trustee Woods seconded the motion and the Board entered into executive session.

10. The following was reported by Mayor Chris Ivers:

At 7:07pm, Deputy Mayor Walters moved to come out of executive session. Trustee Woods seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all. It was noted that no action was taken during the executive session.

11. Adjourn per Mayor Ivers:

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to close the meeting at 7:07pm. Trustee Woods seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all.

Aprile S. Mack, Clerk/Treasurer