

VILLAGE OF GENESO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 6, 2024
Regular Meeting

Board Present:

Chris Ivers, Mayor
Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee
Eddie Lee, Trustee
Alex Livingston, Trustee

Other Village Representatives Present:

Aprile S. Mack, Clerk/Treasurer

Others Present:

Rick Bennett – LaBella, Second Street/Oak Street Project Engineer
Kyle Scoville
Tony Macula

1. Meeting Opened:

Mayor Ivers opened the meeting at 5:00pm. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Second Street/Oak Street Project Update:

Rick Bennett, from LaBella appeared before the Board with an update on the Second Street/Oak Street Project:

- a. Preliminary engineering plans for utility work and roadway work have been developed.
- b. Draft preliminary engineering reports for Sanitary Sewer and Watermain Systems have been developed and submitted with grant applications.
- c. Storm drainage system improvements are being revisited for cost and connectivity.
- d. The Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) grant applied for last year was unsuccessful. It was reapplied for again in May of this year.
- e. A Water and Sewer Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Grants were obtained.
Water Grant = \$1.9M
Sewer Grant = \$2.1M
- f. A New York State Department of Transportation TAP Grant was applied for this past winter and we are awaiting a response.
- g. Congressional District Spending grants through Senator Gillibrand, Senator Schumer and Representative Tenney's Offices have been applied for. These are all pending a response.
- h. A Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application is being put together now.
- i. Anticipated costs could be decreased with the amount of work already completed by the Village's Department of Public Works and could be decreased further if more work was to be completed by them.
- j. A major roadblock to the project is getting funding for the general fund portion of the project (roadway and storm sewers). Funding sources for most of the water and sewer portions of the project have been secured.

The Board asked that Mr. Bennett or a representative from LaBella return to the Board on June 17th with another update. Mr. Bennett did not have a concern about this.

3. Action Items:

The ***April 22, 2024, Organizational/Regular Meeting Minutes*** were reviewed. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to approve the minutes as amended. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from Mayor Ivers, Trustee Lee and Trustee Hamann-Whitmore. Trustee Livingston abstained as he was not present at the April 22nd meeting.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to accept the ***Retirement Letter from Todd Johnson*** with regret. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all. Todd's last day will be May 30th and he has worked for the Village for 28 years.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to pass the following resolution:

AUTHORIZATION AND APPROPRIATION OF LOCAL MATCH FUNDS FOR NEW YORK CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) ENGINEERING PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo is proposing to prepare a "Preliminary Engineering Report" (the "Study") to address issues related to Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) within their public sanitary sewer system improvements in the Village of Geneseo, Livingston County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC"), in cooperation with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation ("NYSEFC") has informed the Village of Geneseo of being selected to receive up to \$50,000 for an Engineering Planning Grant (EPG) through the New York Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund ("CWSRF"); and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned grant award will be used to help fund the Study; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned grant award requires a local match of a minimum of 20% of the total grant amount awarded, equivalent to no less than \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board intends to utilize in-kind services of its Department of Public Works (DPW) and/or its Administrative Staff to fulfill its local match.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Geneseo, Village Board authorized Mayor Christopher Ivers to execute a grant agreement with NYSEFC and any and all other contracts, documents, and instruments necessary to bring about said project and to fulfill the Village of Geneseo obligations under the EPG Program agreement, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village authorizes and appropriates a minimum of 20% local match as required by the Engineering Planning Grant Program for the "Municipal Sanitary Sewer Feasibility Study and Preliminary Engineering Report". The maximum local share appropriated subject to any changes agreed to by the Mayor shall not be less than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) based upon a grant amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000). The Village intends to utilize in-kind services as the local match, and the Mayor may increase the use/value of in-kind services in excess of \$10,000 without further approval from the Village of Geneseo Board of Trustees.

Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all.

Upon the recommendation of Dan Quinlan, Superintendent of Public Works, Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to approve a ***sewer budget transfer*** in the amount of \$7,000.00 from Sanitary Sewers Equipment (G8120.210) to Sanitary Sewer Miscellaneous & Contractual (G8120.400) for sanitary sewer main work on Westview Crescent, Millennium

Drive and perimeter sewer off of Megan Drive. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all.

Trustee Livingston moved to pass the following resolution:

Village of Geneseo Proclamation

May 2024 National Cities, Towns and Villages Month

Whereas, the National League of Cities was founded in 1924 in Lawrence, Kansas, as the American Municipal Association by state municipal leagues seeking more coordination and national representation as cities, towns, and villages expanded rapidly;

Whereas, the nonpartisan National League of Cities is the oldest and largest organization representing municipal governments throughout the United States, representing the interests of more than 19,000 cities, towns, and villages across the country;

Whereas today, the National League of Cities works in partnership with 49 state municipal leagues across the country to strengthen local leadership, drive innovation, and influence the federal policies that impact local programs and operations;

Whereas, as the voice of cities, towns, and villages in Washington, DC, the National League of Cities has successfully championed federal legislative solutions that support municipalities and has worked closely with Congress and the Executive Branch to educate policymakers on the realities of local implementation;

Whereas, local governments are the bedrock of American democracy, providing 336 million residents with the most accountable, responsive, inclusive, ethical, and transparent government in the world;

Whereas, from the nation's smallest villages to its largest cities, America's local governments have been essential in transforming the United States of America into the greatest, most influential nation in world history;

Whereas, the Village of Geneseo was first incorporated in 1832 and is proudly served today by the Village Board of Trustees, a Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals and a municipal workforce of dedicated public servants;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Village of Geneseo hereby proclaims May 2024 as National Cities, Towns, and Villages Month in celebration of America's local governments and the National League of Cities' historic centennial anniversary.

Trustee Lee seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from Mayor Ivers, Trustee Lee and Trustee Livingston. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore abstained.

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to approve the following **Noise Permit**

Applications:

June 14, 2024	7pm-10pm	67 Center Street	APOG Fundraiser
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June 22, 2024	2pm-6pm	26 Second Street	Private Reception
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Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all.

4. Mayor Items:

Mayor Ivers has been in discussion with Village Attorney Elliott at Underberg & Kessler regarding several items including but not limited to Parking Minimums and Cedarwood Estates Subdivision Dedication.

Jason Molino, Executive Director of the Livingston County Water and Sewer Authority will be presenting the proposed water contract at the next Village Board meeting on May 20th.

5. Executive Session:

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to enter into executive session at 5:58pm 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 and proposed, pending or current litigation. Mayor Ivers asked that all public in attendance leave the meeting and Clerk/Treasurer Mack could remain. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the Board entered into executive session.

At 6:11pm, Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to come out of executive session. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the motion passed with ayes from all. It was noted that no action was taken during the executive session.

6. Discussion Items:

The ***Music Festival*** originally approved for September 7th will be coming before the Board on May 20th as an action item to relocate to the Log Cabin Park.

The ***Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Committee*** met with representatives from the Livingston County Planning Department regarding possible grant opportunities.

Installation of the surveillance cameras obtained through the ***Justice Court Administration Program (JCAP) Grant*** is scheduled for the 13th and 14th.

Trustee Lee will work with Court Clerk Molisani on completing the ***2023-2024 Court Audit*** as required by the Justice Court Administration.

At the Organizational Meeting Trustee Lee suggested that the ***Planning Board*** submit a ***monthly report***, if okay Trustee Lee will speak with Planning Board Chair Rob Deming about this. The Board was supportive.

7. Adjourn:

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to close the meeting at 6:40pm. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned.

Aprile S. Mack, Clerk/Treasurer