

**VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
VILLAGE OF FISHKILL
1095 MAIN STREET
FISHKILL, NY 12524**

October 16, 2023

Mayor opens Village Board meeting at 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mayor Martin, Trustee Newhard, Trustee Ruggerio, Trustee Forlano, Trustee Scofield,
Village Clerk Pam Ruyack

Mayor entertains motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2023 meeting, So Move, Trustee Forlano,
Seconded Trustee Newhard, discussion, none, all in favor, Aye, Carried.

Mayor reads abstracts:

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| Water | \$12,426.07 |
| Sewer | \$17,103.91 |
| General | \$40,875.10 |

Mayor entertains motion to accept the abstracts as read, so move, Trustee Forlano, seconded Trustee
Newhard, discussion, none, all in favor, Aye, Carried.

Departments:

Attorney – Attorney Supple reviewed the Website Contract and Proposed Local Law for Four Year Term of
Office.

Building – Submitted and On File

Fire – Submitted and On File. Chief reports ambulance issues at fires that need to be addressed
contractually. There needs to be ambulance coverage at all fires. Mayor Martin thanks the Fire Department
for doing an excellent job doing Fire Prevention at the Elementary School.

Justice – Submitted and On File

Police – Submitted and On File

Water/Sewer – Submitted and On File. Dave Morrison reports that paving will begin at the Sewer Plant
and that gates and fences will be put up.

Clerk/Treasurer –

Ambulance – Need to set up meeting with Chris White and then meet with Ambulnz and Chris.

Planning/Zoning – Submitted and on File

Mayor entertains motion to open public hearing for the purpose of a local law to establish a 4 year term for
the Elective Office of the Village of Mayor and all Board of Trustee Members, so move, Trustee Forlano,
Seconded Trustee Newhard, Discussion – Trustee Newhard discusses that there would be a gap in the
voting cycle. Need to figure out the election cycle. The Public Hearing will stay open.

Mayor Martin discusses the Jackson Crossing Buffer. Mayor Martin, Trustee Ruggerio and Building
Inspector Dave Buckley met with residents in that area to discuss the buffer. The buffer is going to affect
one residence. Mayor wants to make a motion to send a letter to the Planning Board that we recommend
as the Village Board not to decrease the buffer and to leave it at 20 feet, and not to grant the reduction to
10 feet. The buffer reduction is not necessary.

Mayor entertains motion to send a letter to the Planning Board recommending not to decrease the buffer
and also to express our desire to keep the astatic of the building within the historical zone, so move Trustee
Forlano, Seconded Trustee Ruggerio, discussion, none, all in favor, aye

Mayor entertains motion to sign the IT Service Agreement between the Village of Fishkill and OCIS (Dutchess County Office of Central and Information Services) for the redesign of the Village of Fishkill website. So move, Trustee Forlano, seconded Trustee Newhard, discussion, none, all in favor, aye.

Mayor reports she attended a meeting about the rail trail study and brought up several items including raising the level of the railway bed to alleviate the flooding problems on Elm Street.

Mayor reports that there will be a Veterans Day Service on Saturday November 11, 2023 at 11:00 am

Mayor discusses the events for the 125th Anniversary.

December 2, 2023 Tree Lighting/Winter Carnival from 2:30 – 4:30 pm.

January 6, 2024 Parade of Lights

February – Restaurants to do something special for Valentine's Day

March – Fishkill Historical Society to do events about the Village. Met with the elementary school principle with some ideas to get the children involved.

May/June – Ice Cream Truck to the school, Sing Happy Birthday to the Village, Block Party, Memorial Day, Children will do a time capsule at Sara Taylor Park at the rededication of the Park in June (Actual Anniversary date of the Village is June 13, 1899)

October – Village Picnic/Fireworks

Motion to Adjourn, so move Trustee Newhard, seconded Trustee Forlano, discussion, none, all in favor, aye, carried, 7:00 PM

Next meeting is Monday November 20, 2023 6:00 pm

Submitted by:
Pam Ruyack
Village Clerk