

Village of Walden
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
July 15, 2025

Mayor Pearson called the regular meeting of the Village of Walden Board of Trustees to order at 6:30pm.

On roll call the following were:	Mayor:	Becky Pearson
Present:	Deputy Mayor	Lynn Thompson
	Trustees	Liz Kyle
		Gerald Mishk
		Cheryl Baker
		Bill Taylor

Absent: Ralph Garrison, Jr

Also Present:	John Revella, Village Manager
	Marisa Kraus, Village Clerk
	Dominic Cordisco, Village Attorney

Village Manager's Report

- Helping the Clerk with FOILs as well as the attorney
- Follow ups, workflow with the departments
- Health inspections at Public Works for the Water Department and with the Recreation Department for the summer camp, all went well
- Camp is in full swing now
- Follow up on complaints from residents
- Went over canvas letters with the Chief for Police Officers
- Went over vouchers with the Finance Department, payroll, had finance staff meeting with Mayor and Trustee Mishk
- Went over PBA updates with special council
- Had a conference with the Village Engineer, Village Treasurer and EFC to talk about the status of the grant
- Recreation & Parks Department still has indoor pickle ball going on, teen center, programming for community center, flag football, summer camp, Music in the Grove
- Building Department issued 20 permits, 20 new violations, 4 stop work orders and updates in your packets for Orange County Transit. They are working on the sewer line, making progress there and just to report that he had no progress on 76-80 West Main St
- Clerk's been working on Facebook, website, personnel, payroll, handicap requests, following up with me on a few different things including time clocks, entering information on any new staff
- Finance Department had the meeting as discussed, working on payments. Working on bond renewals, billing, resident concerns, bank reqs, Edmunds program and vouchers
- Public Works, sewer plant, hoping to get these improvements in so they could be more efficient. Water Dept, 17 mark outs, replaced 15 meters, 2 endpoints, 3 inspections, they continue to post card properties for new meters. Highway has been patching pot holes, working on catch basins, flushing and jetting

- Police Department, working on personnel, training for new people. There were 434 blotters, 5 arrests, 148 traffic stops, 79 summonses, 3 mvas and 10 parking tickets

Trustee Taylor: The meeting with the Rec Coordinator to discuss maintenance concerns and protocols. What was that about?

Manager Revella: We had some complaints about the way the drains were being maintained in a couple parking lots. Couple areas of sidewalks. We talked about making sure they're minding those issues and some mulching. If they're going around to weed whack, they should maintain the mulch and make sure they set up protocols.

Trustee Taylor: The meeting of the Finance Department with Mayor Pearson and Trustee Mishk, can we elaborate on that?

Mayor Pearson: It was really John's meeting, we showed up because he wanted people there. We talked about what was happening in that department, why it was happening. Part of it went into why people didn't get raises. Why things didn't happen the way they happened. That was stopped pretty quickly, I would say. We talked about workflow, talked about hiring an intern for working the window. Have you looked at any of that?

Manager Revella: The applications are out now.

Mayor Pearson: For the intern?

Manager Revella: Through the county, summer employment program.

Trustee Taylor: And that intern is for what?

Mayor Pearson: To work the window so the other people at their desk can do their work more efficiently, I would say. We just looked that idea to see if it was something possible. I didn't know if it was finalized because the board didn't know about it yet. Jean did write an email on what the process she thinks needs to happen.

Trustee Taylor: What was the overall consensus of the meeting?

Manager Revella: They wanted to make sure that they have the right priorities. Think we came to a consensus on that. They did ask for some ideas for office hours based on what the board was discussing to make the office more efficient to get things done and as well as assistance with the front window and phones.

Trustee Taylor: Did you take notes during that meeting?

Mayor Pearson: Yes. I had an email from Jean and had her put it writing, so I'll forward that to you.

Trustee Mishk: From the Police Department, that number 434 blotters, what time period is that for?

Manager Revella: Since last meeting.

Trustee Mishk: Meter replacements, where are we with that?

Manager Revella: The meters themselves being replaced, we're doing very well. We still have several to go on residential. They're actually getting some commercial replacements done. This has been very helpful. The real problem is the endpoints. When we first did the meter replacement program, everything was in 3G. Maybe 2 years ago, they said they're not supporting 3G, it's 5G. So, they've been going around and replacing all the 3G with 5Gs.

Trustee Mishk: Police, how many openings do we currently have?

Manager Revella: Right now we have 1.

Trustee Mishk: And 1 also out on 207c.

Manager Revella: We have 1 officer on 207c, correct.

Mayor Pearson: I spoke to you the other day about the engineering firm.

Manager Revella: They're a contracting company and they deal with engineers that works for them. I'm trying to look on whether they can do it off the DEC list. I had a call with DEC today. There's a couple of things that we need to talk to you about financial wise that they brought up.

Mayor Pearson: Did you call the other company?

Manager Revella: I called them and I have to call again tomorrow because the person wasn't there when I called.

Mayor Pearson: Also, said that you have contracted with another engineer.

Manager Revella: We're waiting to see if we get a contract in for their proposal.

Mayor Pearson: This has to be done by September. How quickly are we able to get this done?

Manager Revella: Correct. This week. The time crunch isn't from us. It's from the DEC. We'll send reports in to DEC and it'll take 3 months to get us some response and then want us to respond in less than 3 days. It's just not sufficient.

Mayor Pearson: What is up with 60 Main Street? There are holes in back of this still.

Manager Revella: What was written up from the engineer is completed.

Mayor Pearson: I walked down because I saw fencing that I wanted to look at and I walked past the building. Bottom into the basement, there's a big hole and at the top.

Manager Revella: We'll check it out.

Mayor Pearson: PD issues, are these issues that people are calling about? Are they issues that we need to deal with?

Manager Revella: I think it's more of staffing and coverage right now. We're trying to get a couple more part timers in to cover for time off until we get full staff. We do have the 1 207c position, that's not filling a role. Also, have a person that's out on the discipline, that's not filling a role.

Mayor Pearson: Just so the public knows, you can swim at Olley Park Monday – Friday from 12-6. Demo repair on Main St, have some notes about him to get back to you on what he's doing.

Manager Revella: He has given us no information.

Trustee Taylor: I went back and looked at the minutes and I think we had a lengthy discussion when that gentleman was presenting his issues associated with that building and/or that space. I think we made it perfectly clear, at least I know I said something about it. Once that building was demolished what is the plan how long are we going to be staring at that hole and that plywood and he assured us at that meeting that he was in fact putting together a plan. I don't know what the cut off date was. But we were pretty adamant that, all right, we'll give you some slack at this point but now we're getting no updates, we got tons of plywood, it looks horrible and I'm done dealing with this individual. Get off the nickel. What are we going to do? How long are we going to stare at that ridiculous hole on the village street?

Deputy Mayor Thompson: If I recall, didn't he have a deadline of the end of May, was the first part of it. To have everything removed. I seem to remember the end of May and now we're back to where is he?

Trustee Taylor: All of that discussion was, okay, we'll give you time to get it out of there because he was running into some issues and we understood that. I think we were very congenial with that issue, but here we are again. The second part of that conversation was what's the plan, what's the timeline, how long is it going to take? We expected him to come back and present to this board those things.

Mayor Pearson: I don't know if we ever put it on the books that says once it's down, how soon they have to put it back up.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: But there was a hole back there. That was the issue.

Manager Revella: If there's an unsafe condition, that can be cited for. I don't know if you can consider it abandoned or not.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: And Cheryl had brought up the piece of the building that's like sticking up. Who's is that? Is that his to take care of or is that the building had still in business?

Building Inspector Wallner: It's the building that's still there. They were in to discuss it and asked if I could kind of help organize it so that they can go on his property to repair their building and I told him that I would do that and then I heard nothing back from Mr. Concolino.

Trustee Taylor: I'm not happy with the response of I'm saving my money and I'm hoping that I can get money put together and I can do something.

Building Inspector Wallner: I'd be happy to address it however the board feels fit.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I almost feel like we need to give them another deadline.

Trustee Taylor: I want to see him here because I want to revisit the conversation we had when the process needed to be demolished and issues that were addressed have been resolved but part of that discussion was what's the plan going forward, it wasn't I'm going to save my money until I've got enough money to do something. That's unacceptable.

Trustee Baker: Apart from the safety thing, we have several vacant lots. You can't tell somebody you must build and you have to build at this deadline. You can't do that.

Trustee Taylor: I'm not saying that. I'm saying that he was going to propose a plan and if the board happy staring at that garbage that we're looking at every day on Main Street. That's my point. I'm not happy with it. I don't see a plan. I don't see any communication. That was part of the discussion when he was here.

Manager Revella: I'm not sure what code provision you could use to enforce. There has to be something about the timing and how long plywood could be used as a safety barrier on Main St.

Trustee Taylor: How about we haven't come back and let's see what he's got to say? Seeing as we're not getting any communication and you're having to reach out and get that information from this individual. It's his responsibility to keep us informed. We did the same thing with Orange County Transit. Why are we not doing the same thing here?

Mayor Pearson: Are you in consensus of the board to have that done?

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I don't have a problem if Rob invites him. John invites him.

Building Inspector Wallner: August 5th?

Mayor Pearson: No, it'll be the next one, which is the 19th. Also, .org is going to change one of these days to .gov. I don't know how soon that's gonna happen. Just so you know that. Marisa's got some work to do to change all of those. Accreditation and PD, I know that we had talked about that a while ago and I know that Chief was looking into it. Are we still paying for that?

Manager Revella: We're paying for the program that they use for rules and regs and protocols.

Mayor Pearson: Are they updated?

Manager Revella: Yes. They're getting those assignments in now.

Trustee Mishk: I'd like to see some progress on that because it seems this been going on at least 2 years now. That's a lot of money to be spending with no goal of accreditation at the end. There's no reason why those rules and regs can't be written by hand and put in a book if that's all it's doing. Why are we paying for a digital secretary? What is the cost?

Manager Revella: This year I think it was 7k.

Trustee Mishk: That's a lot of money that they're spending on just writing rules and regs and policies.

Mayor Pearson: So, what do you think we should do?

Trustee Mishk: I think we need to really stick it to the Chief and see what his end goal is and some type of expectation of when that's going to be completed, because this shouldn't be a lifetime fee that we spend. That's 7k that could go towards other beneficiary programs in the Police Department.

Mayor Pearson: Do you want your report from him or do you want him to come to a meeting?

Manager Revella: I'll request a report for cost expectations.

Trustee Mishk: We also have another building that was torn down on North Montgomery a while ago and that still has caution tape up. It doesn't even have plywood and a big drop off on the hill. Where are we with that building?

Building Inspector Wallner: There's a fence up.

Trustee Baker: I did have a question about the kitchen at the community center, I see they got the appliances there but they're not hooked up. Do you have a timeline when those are finally going to be hooked in?

Manager Revella: Not sure exactly. I'll find out the date.

Mayor Pearson: Didn't we approve the lighting for that parking lot?

Manager Revella: You did. We have to wait for bids to come back. I don't know what date, it's this month.

Approval of Minutes

None

Public Comment

None

Outdoor Cafe

Mayor Pearson: We didn't set fees, I know you didn't want to put fees in here but we still need to have a fee schedule. I know we talked about \$10 for the ones that go in and out and \$100 for the other ones.

Trustee Mishk: The only question I have on the seasonals, it seems like a lot of work is put into this. They really have to go to the Planning Board before it can be approved?

Mayor Pearson: No, the one that goes before the Planning Board is the one that is permanent.

School Resource Officer Contract

Mayor Pearson: I still have concerns about #5, 10 and the amount.

Manager Revella: Just so you know, the attorney did reach out to get the word version from the school so that they can do red line for that. We did talk about those paragraphs to make sure it was updated for the board as suggested. We'll make sure it's updated once the school gives us that version back.

Mayor Pearson: We sent our concerns to the school?

Attorney Cordisco: Correct. We're in the process of doing that. We need the ability to have a word version of the document. All we have PDF. Making these changes, my suggestion as far as making it clear to the school district what the village is looking for is do a red line version, make those changes with the provisions that you've been discussing, send it back to them, see if they're willing to agree to them and if they are, then you may have a presentation version of the post final agreement. As soon as they agree to those changes, then you can have on your next meeting agenda for adoption.

Mayor Pearson: School starts in September and we have one meeting in August so far. About the amount, have not finalized the amount, who is going to finalize that amount? This board?

Trustee Mishk: I thought that we had agreed that the amount would be based on what officers and rank and salaries.

Mayor Pearson: Did we agree on it or talk about it?

Manager Revella: There was a consensus.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: We agreed on it.

Dress Code Policy Resolution

Mayor Pearson: I thought it read okay for me.

Attorney Cordisco: This is as previously presented so we should have all the changes, it didn't change from the last discussion and you just simply have a resolution to adopt it as village policy if that is what you wish to do.

Trustee Taylor: I don't know if it's going to be an issue, but under personal appearance and standards, we talk about acceptable personnel appearance as an ongoing requirement of employment with the town, it should be village.

Trustee Mishk: The only thing I see here as far as open toed shoes is no flip flops. Does that mean that dress sandals or open toed shoes are okay? I thought we had an issue with that as far as a safety concern.

Trustee Taylor: We did.

Mayor Pearson: We did, but I think we moved forward with the way that it was. I'm fine with the way it is now. I don't know if you want to address it again.

Manager Revella: It was a majority that felt that way.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: It was mostly pertaining to women's footwear. What's the difference between an open toed shoe and a woman wearing stiletto heels? I thought that's interesting, there could be an injury either way. Asking around, banks, offices, women are allowed to wear open toed shoes.

Trustee Mishk: How far do we go, are regular sandals, leather sandals okay? Does it have to have a back?

Mayor Pearson: I don't think they need to be that specific. If we need to change it again, then we'll change it. We're not asking for a lot. We kept this simple, just keep it professional.

Trustee Taylor made a motion to adopt the dress code policy with the change to village. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Time Clocks - Discussion

Manager Revella: Not an issue with the capability with Edmunds. Just a matter of what kind of features you really want for protection. They all have different positive and negatives. Let me know

if you have any preference on each one and I'll order whichever we have a consensus for. It's not really something that has to be done in a board meeting. If you guys say use this clock, I'm just going to use that clock. If you guys if you want to go through it, just let me know what you think.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I would just like to have some input from the Finance Department of which particular program would be the most user friendly for them. I think it would be silly not to pick the one that goes with Edmunds. I think we should pick one that goes with our computer system.

Manager Revella: The ones that you have here, all are capable.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Yes, but I just would like some feedback from the Treasurer and her assistants there as to what seems most user friendly for them. They're the ones that are going to be utilizing the programming.

Mayor Pearson: We were just getting one tonight and I think it came late, which is fine. We can read through again for the next meeting as well and maybe Jean can tell us what she thinks is the best and work with Marisa, she is also doing payroll now.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Input from John as well.

Manager Revella: We can look at the cost.

E-Bikes - Discussion

Mayor Pearson: I put this on, I got an email from somebody about e-bikes and scooters, we talked last meeting briefly. I had Marisa send some information about NYS code and I did speak to the Chief. He would be happy to move forward if the board wants to move it forward. We said that we can form a committee, talk about as a committee, take 3 board members and talk about if you want to do that or we don't think it's necessary. It is NYS law and you shouldn't be riding on the sidewalk, should already have helmets. That's already NYS, do we need to deal with it any more than that? If enforcement can happen with the Police Department with NYS law or do you need something further to let the police have some more help.

Manager Revella: I think it came because there is an increase in usage. And it came up when Trustee Baker was on the board before because there was an increase in usage on the sidewalks, especially.

Mayor Pearson: And in the middle of streets. But that's police traffic.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I just feel like we can rewrite it and rewrite it again but if the Police Officers can't enforce it, what is the point? We have to have something that they can enforce. I'd like to hear from the Chief, honestly.

Mayor Pearson: When I spoke to him, he did say that he was researching a lot of it and didn't have time to do it because he was working on NNO as well. We can put it off. Seems like we have a lot for the next meeting, so maybe the first meeting of September. Maybe he'll have more information. we do we do we want to have and putting. Do we want to form a committee and put it together to see if it's even feasible or do want to hear from the Chief first?

Trustee Baker: I would say speak to the Chief first to see whether it's necessary to put a committee together.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I agree with that.

Mayor Pearson: Let's have him come and his thoughts and then if you want to form a committee. He did say that sometimes there's not enough teeth in some laws that they can't always pick them up with NYS law, but if the village can put something together that's a little stronger they may have a little bit more recourse to have action on it. That was his thoughts, but he was working on research.

Attorney Cordisco: You may look at the village's skateboarding law as an example. If you already have a law on the books about skateboards and how there's certain prohibited acts and recourse for those prohibited acts. That's just my example.

Mayor Pearson: We'll bring it up at the second September meeting.

Outdoor Fires/BBQs - Discussion

Mayor Pearson: I got a phone call from a person who has a firepit in his backyard. He was cooking hot dogs and Fire Department showed up and said you cannot legally do this in the Village of Walden. There is no combustibles in the backyard anywhere. He said he spoke to an attorney and even a gas grill is not allowed in the Village of Walden because it's combustibles. We need to look at this law. There are a couple others that I sent you that talk about gas grills, they talk about other things to add, fire pits versus outdoor kitchens and things like that. So, we really need to look at it, because right now no one can use their gas grill in the Village of Walden. I sent you some things, if you want to talk about it tonight, if you want to wait. Look at it again. Are people going to be bar-b-cueing? Are people going to get tickets?

Trustee Kyle: I feel like there's a lot of discretion involved.

Manager Revella: This board had a discussion years ago about fire/cooking being permitted. I don't know why it wasn't adopted into law somewhere. It should have been a local law.

Trustee Kyle: That is also very vague because you can have a huge fire pit and then stick a hot dog on a stick and hold it out and you're cooking.

Manager Revella: Yes, you can.

Mayor Pearson: Then there's outdoor kitchens that are built with thousands of dollars that people can't use because it's in their backyard. I think they need to address it.

Manager Revella: I just think that the consensus of the people in the village and on the board was that we should think about some manner less than that *inaudible*

Mayor Pearson: I sent you a couple of things, Warwick was one of them.

Trustee Taylor: How does that affect fireworks? Very combustibles.

Mayor Pearson: I don't know.

Trustee Kyle: I think those would be in separate sections.

Attorney Cordisco: Yes, those are 2 different things. I am working on the code revisions that you've been going through and so my suggestion would be to add Warwick's code to the overall

provisions that we're working on. That way once you have it in writing, take a look at that and decide if that's something you want to move forward with.

Mayor Pearson: The code revisions that you're doing should be final. We told what we wanted in them, so that's different than this one.

Attorney Cordisco: Right. I'm drafting an introductory local law for the code revisions for all of the different sections that you've been talking about. I'm working on that. The goal would be to have that be considering *inaudible* rather than dealing with these kind of piece meal, that's exactly the kind of thing that could be folded into 1 local law that makes all of these changes. You can decide at that point, and of course if you have any comments on Warwick's between now and then, you can provide those to me by e-mail and we can consider that and put it into the draft and then you move forward with the draft on the 19th or not, but at least you'll have it kind of all in one place and I think it is more an economical way of proceeding by having all these things as part of 1 public hearing rather than multiple public hearings.

Mayor Pearson: If you have comments, email the attorney.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I just have a question looking at this, chapter 55-1-A says that no person shall burn paper products, then if you go down it says that you can burn paper in an enclosed incinerator. Am I reading that properly?

Manager Revella: Enclosed incinerator would be wood stove, closed door.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Right, but it says, you can burn paper, but then up here it says no matter what you can't burn paper.

Manager Revella: That's pretty contradictory.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: For now, the fire and police have to enforce the law as written?

Attorney Cordisco: Enforcement is always discretionary.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: At who's discretion?

Manager Revella: We don't control the Fire Department.

Chickens - Discussion

Mayor Pearson: We are back to animals in our code and chickens were allowed at one time. We had horses at one time and this village. I believe that there are still chickens in this village, I don't know if they're being looked at. I wondered what people thought about it this time. I know there was a discussion maybe about 8 years ago. I put some codes in there as well.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I have to tell you a lot of people have asked me why we're not allowed to have chickens.

Mayor Pearson: We can look at it and see what you all think. I know that the price of things...I grew up on a farm and you don't want roosters, but limited the x amount of chickens and having the coop. A couple of the laws were written very well. Good structure. I didn't know if you wanted to think about it more, talk about it.

Trustee Kyle: I was going to say if you put in the correct wording in the codes and you had the right rules in place for them, I wouldn't see an issue.

Trustee Baker: I feel the same provided that they have the property for it, appropriate size for a limited amount of them, provided the Building Department approves the site and structure that house them in. I would say that they would also be responsible in making sure they're secured so they don't go on to other people's property.

Trustee Mishk: I'm against it. I believe that our houses are too close together in the village. They are small lots. They have to be fenced in, besides the chicken coop. Getting a fence in this village has to go before the Planning Board. People have dogs outside, it's going to be constant noise and barking. Is this going to be issues? Then we are also inviting, our village is seeing more wildlife in the last few years coming into town. I've seen foxes on my property. I've seen the deer. I think if we start putting chickens in, we're going to invite more foxes and more predators in.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I don't know. I'm going to do a lot more reading on this. Honestly, I feel like I can see both sides of this. I agree with everything Jerry said, but people are asking. It's something residents want information about. They want to know why they can't have a chicken. Really, it's for people who want to have eggs. I have to do more homework on this one.

Trustee Taylor: Let me start with property maintenance. We have an abundance of property maintenance issues as we speak. We have dog issues. We have garbage issues. We have grass issues and now we're talking about maybe presenting another issue. I agree with Jerry. Everybody probably has a ring camera. I do and I'm part of this neighborhood watch. I am consistently on a weekly basis getting alerts on my phone within the Village of Walden of a bear or a fox or a coyote. What we're talking about here is making it easier for the predators to going through garbage cans and snatching up somebody's furry little pet that they let out for the evening. I'm always going to be a hard no on this. From a personal standpoint if I wanted to live next to a farm, I would have moved to Pennsylvania. The only chicken I want to see is at Hannaford's wrapped in cellophane. That's just me. Going forward I'm always going to be a hard no.

Trustee Kyle: I don't know, not that I'm playing Devils Advocate, but kind of something based off what you said Jerry. The fencing they sell prefab little fencing closures at Tractor Supply, it's like 4 sides of fencing. They're very easy to install and don't have to be very large. I don't think that the fencing is a problem. I've seen people put them up very easily. I live in the village, I have an acre. I, personally, don't want chickens but I don't think that every person in the village doesn't have the space for them. I have a neighbor that runs a little dog rescue and I listen to dogs bark before the sun comes up till after the sun goes down. Dogs, I feel like they bark and it's not from chickens. I do see your point. I get it. I can't really say anything about bringing wildlife in. I have deer that are in my yard. I don't have a fox. I know that bears have been spotted in the village and right now, we don't allow chickens. But like you said, it makes the chances of that happening more.

Mayor Pearson: Do we want to do some research and see what we find? I can reach out to some of the communities that has them and see if there's been any issues. And if you find something, email each other.

98 South Montgomery – Property Maintenance

Code Enforcer Roosa: There has been no compliance with maintenance on the building *inaudible* We have a deck on front of house that is literally almost ready to fall off. There's evidence on the deck that people have been on it.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Is this the one with the basketball hoop?

Manager Revella: I see there's a front deck falling apart, but I don't see a basketball hoop. I see the

doors are coming apart. The back deck is coming apart. Windows are falling.

Mayor Pearson: Is it an abandoned building?

Manager Revella: Yes.

Mayor Pearson: How long? Are we getting paid for it?

Building Inspector Wallner: Couple years. Yes.

Code Enforcer Roosa: The basement doors are secure but it's not fully closed, so critters are going in and out of there. The police have actually had complaints of people partying in there. Many alcohol containers everywhere. Somebody getting up on that deck, that's going to collapse and somebody's gonna end up getting seriously hurt.

Mayor Pearson: No response from the LLC?

Code Enforcer Roosa: We have served them papers and they signed for them.

Mayor Pearson: Are they local?

Code Enforcer Roosa: Newburgh.

Trustee Mishk: Is there a mortgage on this house?

Code Enforcer Roosa: I'm not sure.

Trustee Taylor: What we're looking at here is some significant safety issues for public and the residents of this village. Question is, what are we going to do going forward?

Code Enforcer Roosa: It also says in abandoned properties that we should have access to make sure that smoke detectors and fire detectors work. We should be having access to the building. And we don't.

Mayor Pearson: If we written them and they're not here this evening, what are we getting out of these people?

Attorney Cordisco: What the board can do, if I understand sequence of events correctly, there's been an order to remedy that's been served on the property owner. The owner has failed to take the steps necessary to remedy the situation. It's now being brought to this board's attention this board can authorize hearing and that hearing would be whether or not the owner is compliant with the code and whether or not an emergency situation exists. The board may find after the hearing that the owner has to abate the situation and correcting it. And if the owner fails to abate the situation, at that point then you can authorize the Code Enforcement Officer to take any steps necessary to abate the emergency situation. The issue that you have for tonight, do you want to authorize a hearing notice be served. Then have a hearing after that.

Trustee Taylor made a motion to schedule a hearing for 98 South Montgomery St for August 19, 2025. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried. All ayes

8/5 meting

Manager Revella: Added this on to see if the board would make a motion to cancel the August 5th

meeting.

Mayor Pearson: National Night Out is August 5th. Do you want to change the night or cancel it?

Trustee Mishk: I say we cancel the meeting.

Trustee Baker: I'm fine with either or. I'd like to have a second meeting.

Trustee Kyle: If we felt the need to add a second meeting, we could, right?

Manager Revella: Yes.

Mayor Pearson: I think we have so much that's already on for the 19th to move it forward would be kinda silly. It might be a meeting to just pay bills.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I think we have a lot of things going on and we should have 2 meetings a month. The community deserves that. I understand everybody wants to be able to go to National Night Out. We could very easily pick a different meeting night for that week in August. I feel like we have a lot of stuff coming up and the more we keep putting off, the longer the agendas are going to get it at the next meeting.

Trustee Taylor: I agree with Jerry. I'm fine with canceling.

Discussion about dates

Trustee Baker made a motion to reschedule the August 5, 2025 meeting to August 7, 2025.

Roll Call:

Trustee Baker: Yes

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Yes

Trustee Mishk: No

Trustee Taylor: No

Trustee Kyle: No

Motion failed.

Trustee Kyle made a motion to cancel the August 5, 2025 meeting. Seconded by Trustee Taylor. 4 ayes. 2 nos (Mayor Pearson, Deputy Mayor Thompson). Motion carried.

Public Comment

Jerry Hanen: I've heard talk in the past about streets that shouldn't have parking and should have parking. I think one that is really bad is Clinton Street. Coming off Ridge, which I do daily, you cannot see around the corner. There's all these cars parked on the one side and you cannot see if there's a car coming up that hill. It should not have parking on that street at all. Both sides. It's only one side right now. There should not be parking on either side, because there's no way a fire truck could ever get up that street. You cannot make a turn without getting all the way out there and finding out if there's car there. There's bushes, which I don't want them to cut down the bushes, they're nice, but you cannot see and make that turn. Gladstone, there's bushes as you get down to the bottom of Clinton, there's bushes there where you cannot see what traffic is coming, that are too close to the street. You can't see traffic going either direction. Speed on the Scofield. I know we talked about speed everywhere, but with my granddaughter going to school at the church on the top of the hill and Jan walks her to school and back, cars coming up that hill are going at whatever

speed they want and it's just not safe for walking across the street. Something needs to be done to slow them down. When the house was built behind us on Ridge, there was a sign in front of that house that said no parking on this side. There's one at the beginning of block, one at the end of the block, but that one disappeared. So, now we have cars that park there occasionally because there's no sign. The sign is gone. That needs to be replaced.

Manager Revella: DPW usually goes out and checks once in a while. I will make sure they check.

Jerry Hanen: I brought this up both to John and Becky, my daughter had a friend of hers contact her who does not live here, wondered if we could have yard sales here in the village other than the appointed times. If you look it up in the code, you have to have a permit issued by the Trustees to have a yard sale any other time other than the posted time and if you don't have a permit the fine is \$250 or 15 days in jail. That seems a little excessive for a yard sale. I think that's another thing that needs to be looked at. And I agree with you, Lynn, I think there should be 2 meetings. Last thing, and I hate to be the person that stands up here and talks every meeting and I will not do this every meeting. Since I started doing the work that we are volunteering our time to do over at the train station, first time I went over there to work, I walked in the building on a Saturday, the thermostat was set on 70 degrees, it was cold in that room. On a Saturday, no one in there for the weekend and it's set on 70. Next time I went there to work was during the week. We got there, I didn't know if I was going to be able to get in when we got there, but it was no problem, the door was standing wide open, no one in the building, set at 70 degrees. I informed the parks and nothing was done, because the next time I went, not 70 this time, 65 degrees. This is a bill that I'm paying because it's in my taxes. I'm paying for that electric bill. There's no one around. It's left open. They don't pay any attention to it and they come in there they set the thermostat down to 65 and they leave with the door open. I'm sorry that's not appropriate. I think not only do you need to fix the door closer, we need a lock box on the thermostat and one that they cannot see. There are other ones they can't see what the temperature is. It's a programmable thermostat. You program it, you don't have to worry about it. It goes up for the weekend. It goes up for the evenings. It does not have to be 70 degrees around the clock. Or 65. I think that's something that needs to be addressed, because 100 degrees outside trying to keep it 65 inside, it's not going to do it. I have a picture of the filter which is getting sucked in because it is so dirty. It's getting sucked into the air conditioner. Maintenance is a huge thing on those. I did it for 30 years. You have to take care of them or you'll have things like this one that doesn't work.

Joyce DeFont: I live on Maple Street and we have an ongoing issue with the second house in. We're getting pretty tired of people there having fights in our front yard. We've been tired of the language. I live 7 houses down and I can hear the generator every night, all night. We're getting tired of drug deals going on in this new park and the things that shouldn't be going on down there as well and nothing seems to be happening. This is right across the street from school and we have a nice big no drugs, school zone sign which apparently means nothing. This needs to change. I'm tired of having the pit bull come running at me, growling at me, loose on the sidewalk. That's dangerous. I can't out run that dog. Neither is a little kid going to out run that dog. This is not the first time we've seen this dog loose. There's 3 dogs that I've seen loose. 1 time it was all 3 at once. The pit bull, I've seen multiple times. It's a safety issue for anybody who's on that street and this is constant. Something needs to happen. This needs to stop. I'm paying taxes. Apparently, they're not. They don't have to pay taxes for 5 years, why should I have to pay taxes? Why should I have to pay my water bill? Why should I have to pay my electric bill? They haven't had to.

Manager Revella: The electric is shut off, that's why the generator is on. The water is also shut off.

Joyce DeFont: That should be a condemned house.

Manager Revella: That's correct. The Building Inspector will be over there tomorrow to placard.

Joyce DeFont: Good to hear. 1 other thing. The park grass, it's a nice park. The grass is not going to grow because that is clay. There was no topsoil put down. Need at least 4 to 6 inches of good topsoil to grow grass. I know this because if you go up Walnut Street, I think it's next to Bliss's house, between the Bliss's and the next house, they dug up something and they got lovely grass growing. It's only been 2 weeks. That grass down there, nothing's gonna grow. We need topsoil down there. People are down there. We've gone down there and played baseball with our kids and stuff. But to have a really nice place to play and not just stones, because right now it's a lot of gravel, we need 6 inches of topsoil. I know that's money. I would have thought that would have been in the plan. I don't know. It would be nice to have grass to play on.

Megan Charles: I also live on Maple Street. I am pretty much coming here to reiterate what Joyce had said. I'm just beyond frustrated with the situation at 75 Maple. I don't understand how it's gone on so long. It's taken so long just to even do this next step. I know a lot of complaints can be directed to Walden PD, but I called and called and called and called. I get woken up at 2am to someone screaming at the top of their lungs "I'm going to kill you", "I'm going to stab you". Call PD and as soon as they come around the corner, they go inside. PD just put the spotlight on and looks for 30 seconds and then leaves. And I know that there's only so much that the Police Department can do but how many times do I have to call? Sorry, this is a really frustrating. I had to call the Police Department to come and be outside my house when an alleged drug deal was happening in front of my home and I didn't feel safe taking my own children out my own house into my driveway into my car. We spent thousands and thousands of dollars putting up a fence because of issues of 75 Maple. The dogs. Someone from the property believe that my home is their home and always looking into our windows and just the noise is crazy. It's just a safety issue. Doesn't Walden have any nuisance laws that could give the government empowerment to do something about it sooner?

Manager Revella: The window looker was arrested probably 10 times in 2 weeks. Unfortunately, in NYS under bail reform, they're released immediately and they go out and do it again. It's frustrating to people here, obviously, but also the Police Officers are out there arresting them over and over again. As soon as they get booked, they're out again doing the same thing. It's a problem. I think that what we've done and what's going to happen tomorrow, will help alleviate that problem.

Megan Charles: What does happen tomorrow and what should happen after that?

Manager Revella: Placard the building, where there's no occupancy allowed. If they occupy, that's trespass and they'll be arrested for trespass.

Megan Charles: There was a U-Haul truck but it appears though that they're using that vehicle as a motor vehicle, just to drive around, because all their cars were taken away. They have a couch in there, hanging out in there all night long. A lot of noise.

Trustee Kyle: It's super frustrating and I'm understanding of your frustration. It's very hard for us. I would love to do whatever we can and like John said what's going to happen tomorrow with building. But I do understand the frustration and as much as we can do as a board, I would love to do.

Megan Charles: It kind of amazes me that it's taking this long. We bought our house in 2020 and if we would have known the situation we would never purchase this house. I grew up in the Town of Montgomery and I basically grew up with the HV Conservatory and I love this area. I go to MPB. I'm just waiting for the day I could just have my kids be outside and not worrying so much. It's just kind of crazy how with the school right next door, the church in the backyard and it's taking this

long to get there. But I understand.

Trustee Baker: With the placard of the building and removal of the individuals, is the village able to secure the property with the plywood and the cork to block entrance to the property?

Manager Revella: I don't think so. Not sure, have to check on that.

Mayor Pearson: They can't live in a place with no water.

Manager Revella: It's a health department issue for sure.

Trustee Baker: Make it less accessible, if there was a way that we can board it up so they can't gain entry.

Manager Revella: I don't know if they can get a chain and padlock it. I'll have to check.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I think that's what happened when we did 14 Riverview Street. They secured front door, back door, windows. The neighbors called the police if they saw anybody trying to enter the house.

Manager Revella: It happened at 14. Just so you know, this property in particular is an estate and they're attempting to sell but they're having issues with family members. So, that's why it's been sitting there and those people have been there, not paying, just living there. Hopefully, that gets resolved. In the meantime, have this placard. That should help.

Trustee Baker: In regards to whether 3 dogs, can we contact the dog warden?

Manager Revella: They won't get left behind. They will take them.

Megan Charles: There's 1 dog that we haven't seen and it's kind of concerning. The German Shepard, the 1 that's been on the roof a couple of times. We haven't seen that dog lately.

Mayor Pearson: We'll find out what happens tomorrow. Keep us in your loop.

Trustee Baker: Can we call the dog warden?

Manager Revella: Anyone is allowed to call the dog warden. She's been there before.

Mayor Pearson: Keep us in the loop.

Manager Revella: What time, Rob?

Building Inspector Wallner: 8am.

Payment of Audited Bills

Mayor Pearson: Bill can you can go over, when we put this top sheet together, what you're saying is the Board Members don't need to go into the look at the bills because they're kind of being sent to you, right?

Trustee Taylor: Yeah, the electronic print out mirrors the hard copies that are sitting in the office. The option is still available if someone's reviewing the electronic print out that they received via email and they have a question. That bill is available in the office to come down and look at.

Mayor Pearson: I went to sign the other day, I had a concern about 2 bills that looked exactly the same. I still have concerns about that because it was the exact same price, the same dates, it looks like we're paying out twice. You need to show me how we're not paying that out twice.

Manager Revella: It's 2 different invoices.

Mayor Pearson: It's the same dates, the same amounts are on them. I don't so the. The 1 bill that you're paying at the end said May and June total of \$1400 and blah, blah, blah. The 2 bills you've got were May and June, but you're signing 2 invoices so it looks like you're paying 2 bills. Are you sending 1 check? Are you sending 2 checks?

Manager Revella: They usually will consolidate a check, but it will be from 2 different years. 1 from May, 2025. Which is the last year.

Mayor Pearson: Then you have 2 separate checks. It shouldn't say the total amount paid. It should say \$500 plus something and \$600 plus something.

Manager Revella: Your front page doesn't say \$1400. It does have a separate amount.

Mayor Pearson: It doesn't have a total on the bottom. The second page has the total. I'll show you. It's very frustrating. I'm worried about that because if we're just signing those papers on top of this book people aren't really looking at what's happening inside those bills. You're seeing how much we're spending, but sometimes there's more to those bills than really meets the eye. I do stress going in and trying to sign them. I know sometimes it's hard. We used to have to do it all the time and go in and look at the bills and make sure that it's fine. That is our sole responsibility, where the money is going and how we're spending it. So, if you have time to go in and look at them, I would appreciate it. I know the other is convenience, but I like knowing that I'm looking at each bill and what's in the bill. Not just the cover sheet with how much we're spending.

Trustee Kyle made a motion approve payment of audited bills. Seconded by Trustee Taylor.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I agree with you. I understand, I think the purpose of this, but it's not the same as coming in and physically looking at an invoice, having the description of the bill, looking sometimes at credit card receipts that are attached. You can't get that from this. I agree with you Becky that's our sole legislating and knowing where the money is going. Those are our 2 biggest jobs and I feel like sometimes you need to just get down here and take a hard look at what's going on with those invoices. I have some questions for John myself. He did clarify a few things for me. I spoke with him the other day, but you wouldn't know to ask those questions by looking at this.

All ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Mayor Pearson: I did get Jerry's email on the yard sales. We will address that. Thank you, appreciate that. I also got a letter from Mrs. McCoy. She lives on Scofield street and Maple Street. *read letter into minutes* I'm a big proponent of trees and everybody knows it. We just Dave Sperry last meeting coming up and asking when we're going to plant some more trees and why we don't have trees. I know we have people in this village who don't want trees because it ruins things and they have to maintain them and things like that but I don't see she's wrong. I get the village code says. *read code into the minutes* I get where's she's coming from. I don't know how the board feels about it. I sent you all the picture of the tree she planted. It's a tiny little tree.

Trustee Baker: Right now it is. I have been trying to get trees back on to Main Street and I did go

to DPW the other day to go over some things to make that happen. Does she have a backyard?

Mayor Pearson: I don't know. When I went there, the sidewalk is cracked there and she said the sidewalk's cracked because when they did the street on Scofield Street, they cut the roots of the tree that was there that fell on her house. The sidewalk is cracked because the machinery was sitting on the sidewalk. That's why I asked repairing sidewalks. Why does she have to repair that when it was done during a construction of the road that was being worked on?

Manager Revella: Allegedly.

Mayor Pearson: Allegedly. But it does have initials written all over it. I don't know if the Village of Walden wrote those initials on it. I don't have a problem with trees. It took me probably 20 years to get a tree in my front yard. I asked the village, probably everyone, can I get a tree? Can I plant a tree? It probably took me 10-15 years to get my tree planted in my front yard and that was probably 25 years ago. It's growing, it's beautiful. It is in the village right of way.

Manager Revella: It's not in your front yard.

Mayor Pearson: It's on village property and the village planted it. I don't have room in my front yard.

Manager Revella: She had a big tree in her front yard that was cut down. The stump is still there.

Mayor Pearson: I don't know. I just wanted to bring it before the board and get your thoughts on it and what we can do. Whether you feel she can keep it. Whether the village needs to really take it out.

Trustee Baker: I'd like to go look at look. I'm not for planting trees between the sidewalk and the road. I'd like to take a look at her property and see if there's another place we could locate it. Trees do screw up the sidewalk.

Mayor Pearson: I just wanted to bring it up. She can be made to take it and if that's what you feel should happen, then she's gonna take it out. There was supposed to be trees planted on Valley Avenue when we did that street. Did they get planted? No. It's like dessert down there. We cut them all down but we just don't replant. I look at Oak Street. It's an ugly street. On my street now the only section that has trees is up by me. Everything else below is falling apart. I get that the village doesn't want to be responsible, but I think maybe we should look at it and see what we can do. That's just my opinion.

Trustee Kyle: I just know that the trees do cause issues. I'm not anti-tree. I just agree with Cheryl on the placement of them in a village where we already have had issues with them. I know it was beautiful with the trees. But the roots were growing into the pipes underneath the ground.

Mayor Pearson: I just don't know how all the other villages do it. They have trees. People just want to have it and want it to be successful and putting the right things into place to make it happen.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I think we should encourage Mrs. McCoy to keep the tree, but maybe just relocate it back away from the curb a bit, more on to her yard. I just wonder if she's understanding how that tree is going to grow. It's a beautiful tree, but that's probably not the ideal location for that particular tree.

Manager Revella: Maybe we can assist her in relocating it. That's allowed in the code, with her permission.

Miscellaneous Comments from the Board of Trustees

Trustee Kyle: I know since the last meeting, we've have very tragic passing. 2 community members, Elaine Upright and Brian Robb. I just wanted to bring those up and say that their presence in the community will be missed. Their passing deeply impacted the village as a whole. The Maybrook Parade, that went really well. Thank you to everyone who came out. I thought that was an amazing time. Everyone did such a great job and it was a blast. I thought that there was something to be said about the cross communication and the relationship building between the villages within our town. I thought that was very important.

Trustee Baker: Same sentiments. Great with decorating the trailer and everything and the flags that you made. I saw several residents walking around with those handmade flags. To Jerry for driving and to all the Trustees and our Village Manager.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I saw on Facebook that someone saw our parade pictures and thought I had a bloody nose. I assured her it was the red tooty-tooty party thing they had me blowing. That was fun. We had a good evening. I wish Walden could get some sort of a parade like that that. It was really fun. I missed the first Music in the Grove, but I made the last 1. It was great. The band was great. The turnout was great. I would encourage everybody out there to try and come. They are a lot of fun and free. I also had a meeting with the Treasurer, which I will be happy to fill everybody in on. I did write notes, but I didn't write up an email, yet to share with all of you. It was very nice at the Grove to see Officer Kurtz on his bicycle. He was moving and grooving talking to everybody in the crowd. Which is really nice to see our Police Department connecting with our community and it was nice to see the bike back again. I would like to bring up, again, about the speeding. I know the police are out there. I know they're patrolling the main thoroughfares, but as Jerry brought up, these side streets, it's getting crazy. I live off of Walnut Street, the speeding and now there's cars parked on both sides. It's really, really getting dangerous to try and navigate. You have to play dodge it. You have to try and find a spot where there's no car parked and there's a young man who drives down that street and you're driving like this because he doesn't slow down. You're thinking this is going to be head on. This is getting creepy. The side streets, the people are parking way too close to the stop sign. You absolutely cannot see what's coming. Jerry 's made comments about Wait Street. There's comments about Scofield Street. There's comments about Oak Street. It's all of our nice long streets where people can really gun it. I would appreciate it if maybe you can talk to the Chief about doing some more patrol on the major side streets. The other thing I just would like to ask, have we gotten anywhere with the letter we wrote to the Town of Montgomery about protection of our wells? Have we heard anything more about that?

Manager Revella: I didn't see any response.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I feel like we should be a little more aggressive with that and I was talking to the CAC from the town about that. They are very much in favor of helping us write something up. When I was on the CAC we spent months working on a critical environment assessment and the Town Supervisor at that time shot that down. I don't know if that would be something we should be interested in. There was grant funding for that at the time. I don't know if there's anything available, but I can certainly, if everybody on the board is okay with it, I can certainly speak to the CAC. I do try and attend as many of their meetings as I can. They don't have one for July but they'll have another one in August. If anyone else from the board would like to go. I really think we need to work a little harder on that because the town has a lot of projects. I feel we need to be very proactive with that.

Attorney Cordisco: Anything that you can do to leverage the process would be helpful. The letter did go out and if the Conservation Advisory Committee could suggest a meeting to the supervisor believe with the mayor and representatives of the village, I think that that would be helpful. And it might be it might be more helpful for the CAC to be recommending that.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Absolutely and that's what they do. That's their job, but they wouldn't just do it unless we ask for their assistance.

Mayor Pearson: Lynn, you could put me in with that. I'll help.

Trustee Taylor: Nothing that has not been covered. The celebration of Maybrook was the first time I had the opportunity to meet firsthand the Mayor of Maybrook so that was a unique opportunity. And if anybody wonders what it's like to see a squirrel trying to cross the street just work with Madam Mayor decorating that trailer. She was around that thing. Good job and also Trustee Kyle for the shirts that she jumped through hoops and we all had an opportunity to represent.

Mayor Pearson: Thank you everybody because I had a fun time. I think we represented well and it was really important, that's 100 years, it's a special moment for them. Liz, the shirts and music. Cheryl, she was our waver. Jerry our driver. Lynn, the float. Thanks so much. I had a grandson that was there, he had fun. It was fun. Mary Ellen, Village Historian and also the ZBA Chair. It was just really nice to represent Walden. I appreciate you going and being a part of that. National Night Out is August 5th, 6 to 9pm, Bradley Park. If you can make it, great. We do have some shirts from Liz. John was to get other shirts. Maple Street parking lot, are you anywhere with that?

Manager Revella: Just say you want me to take the fence down.

Mayor Pearson: It's not taking it down. It's a fence laying in the back. Who's responsible to mow the lawn back there? We don't know.

Manager Revella: I asked for a survey to be done from John Queenan's office.

Deputy Mayor Thompson made a motion to authorize the Village Manager to take the fence down and obtain a survey. Seconded by Trustee Kyle. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Pearson: I also met with a young gentleman, he does art and he was actually a history major. He's going to College in New Paltz, he lives on Walnut, I'll have to show you his pictures. It's really awesome. He designed a Walden flag. It would be beautiful for a mural downstairs. I'll show it to you, it's beautiful. He's just looking for extra work. I'll give you his information and show you some pictures I took of his work. I met with him on Thursday and he was showing me all his art. We have to talk about labor attorney.

Manager Revella: We can talk about that.

Mayor Pearson: Garbage on Coldenham Road, did that get taken care of.

Manager Revella: Yes.

Mayor Pearson: The grass down in the park, we had contracted out to have that part done. That's closed out? Or will they come back and replant?

Manager Revella: I have a note to ask the engineer about retainage and the checklist as well, to make sure that they're finishing.

Mayor Pearson: So, that hasn't been completed.

Manager Revella: I don't think we released retainage on that, but I just want to make sure.

Mayor Pearson: I also did get an Eagle Scout invitation.

Manager Revella: Just know that it's full. There's not a lot of invitations.

Mayor Pearson: I'm going to have a resolution that we can all sign and I'll take it to them. I was going to ask if we could go, there's 6 people so I'm sure all the families will be there, so probably not be a lot of space in the room. It's awesome there's 6 of them coming up. I will let you know when they're ready to sign.

Executive Session – Personal History of Particular Person, Attorney Client Regarding DEC

Trustee Baker made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personal history of particular person, attorney client regarding DEC. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried.

Reconvene

Deputy Mayor Thompson made a motion to reconvene the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Trustee Baker. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Village of Walden Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
July 15, 2025
Motions & Resolutions**

Dress Code Policy Resolution

Trustee Taylor made a motion to adopt the dress code policy with the change to village. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried.

98 South Montgomery – Property Maintenance

Trustee Taylor made a motion to schedule a hearing for 98 South Montgomery St for August 19, 2025. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried.

August 5, 2025 Meeting

Trustee Baker made a motion to reschedule the August 5, 2025 meeting to August 7, 2025.

Roll Call:

Trustee Baker: Yes

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Yes

Trustee Mishk: No

Trustee Taylor: No

Trustee Kyle: No

Motion failed.

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