

Village Of Walden
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
September 16, 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

Absent:	Ralph Garrison, Jr
	Bill Taylor

Also Present:	John Revella, Village Manager
	Kaitlyn Laux, Village Deputy Clerk
	Dominic Cordisco, Village Attorney

Mayor Pearson: So, we will do roll call, we are missing Liz, Bill and Ralph this evening.

Manager Revella: Okay, since last meeting we had Labor Day holiday hopefully nobody labored too hard. I went over some foils, and I had gone over the agenda. Went over our projects with the DPW Superintendent and went over a lot of permits, personnel, priorities and resident issues with the building department. We went over harvest fest with the rec-coordinator including programs and the final music in the Grove. Payroll, journal entries, updates from the board with some trustees. I did go to Montgomery day and there were a couple of the board members that went too, they were in the parade. It went very well; it was good weather. Hopefully for Walden day there is good weather as well. I had a meeting with the Village Attorney, building inspector and the owners of Edmunds Lane project to go over timelines for permits. Met with the Chief and special counsel about some PBA matters. I did some interviews with the DPW Superintendent. Went over the canvas letters with the PD including the new list coming out should be out today for us to get a couple more hires, you will meet some tonight. I did have another meeting with the town Chamber about the cannabis dispensaries and when the board is having another meeting on it and I told them I wasn't sure yet, I did have the comp plan meeting as well to finalize that. That

will come up to the board soon. That's in correspondence with the New York State DOT, the assembly, and some board members regarding Lustig court. I did attend the 9/11 ceremony at the Orange County arboretum. The rec department, teen center is going well and indoor pickleball program at Anita Vandermark, outdoor soccer registration, the adult football trip was last Sunday it was sold out. Movie night is set for September 26 and harvest fest in the square is September 27th. The building department issued 16 new permits, 31 violations, 19 of them for grass. Had 6 stop work orders and updating property maintenance, which there's a bunch on the agenda today. Clerk, going over 207-C, foils, payroll, handicap processes, dig permits and IT assist. Finance doing AFR, bank recs, updates with the auditor and a consultant, Edmunds programming, and journal entries. Public works, regular maintenance and things going on. Water department did 18-mark outs, replaced 10 meters, 1 endpoint, and 1 daily inspection, they're post carding properties, patching potholes, cutting back routes, they did have a safety class for the whole department with NYSIF. Police Department 's been out there for events in the community. They did have 344 blotters since last meeting, 5 arrests, 80 traffic stops, and 42 summonses, 3 MVAs and 11 parking summonses. And the library is still meeting with their capital improvements.

Mayor Pearson: Anything from the board for the manager? Lynn?

Deputy Mayor Thompson: No.

Mayor Pearson: I just have a couple, for the board members, Marisa's still looking for BIOS and pictures. It was in your packet, so you have that. Can I get an update for the waterfront park? I know I spoke to you the other day, where are we at?

Manager Revella: We're still holding the money from that to make sure the grass is redone.

Mayor Pearson: So, will they replant this fall?

Manager Revella: I've been debating whether we're going to let them plant or going to keep their money and do it ourselves, so I'm going to talk to you about it.

Mayor Pearson: Okay, when would you talk to us about that?

Manager Revella: To you about that. I could talk to all of you it doesn't make a difference. I must talk to you about our options under the contract, but I can't do it out here.

Mayor Pearson: The loan from last meeting, did we get somebody to do that?

Manager Revella: I did draft it. I sent it over to his office for review, so that should be shortly.

Attorney Cordisco: We should have comments on that tomorrow and then that can be finalized.

Mayor Pearson: We have teams playing at Bradley Park?

Manager Revella: Yes.

Mayor Pearson: And plantings, I know Mike talked about plantings. What about the front of the Community Center, is that going to be done this fall or in the spring or is that going to happen this year or next year?

Manager Revella: I didn't get a time frame for that; we'll talk to our committee about that.

Mayor Pearson: Okay, thank you, that's all I have so we will bring up the chief he's here for some important information for us, so we appreciate that.

Chief D'Elicio: Good evening, everyone. Thank you for having us tonight. We're here to introduce some new members of our Police Department, we've added some additions in dispatch and police officers. We would also like to tell you guys about the recent actions of our police officers on a call for service. At this point I'd like to introduce Sergeant Montanaro, he's going to introduce our two new dispatchers.

Sergeant Montanaro: Good evening, Mister manager, Mayor, and board. So, I would like to introduce 2 people, I have the privilege and honor to introduce Dave Kurtz over 30 years of service to the village and Kathleen McClintock approaching 30 years of service they're here to introduce two new employees. Come on up guys. Kathleen, please come up first.

Dispatcher McClintock: Hello everyone. I am very lucky to be here tonight to introduce my daughter Jessica who has just started dispatching. She went to Wallkill High School and she worked at a car dealership before this and for the last 4 and a half years she's spent being a stay at home mom to my two grandchildren, and now she's ready to get out and work and I'm hoping that she can be all trained and take my place when I retire so we'll see. But this is my daughter, Jessica Murphy. She's going to be dispatching for us.

Officer Kurtz: Good evening, everyone. I would like to thank the chief and the sergeants for giving us this opportunity for both of us to introduce our children. So, Justin obviously, is taller than me, I think. So, Justin went to Valley Central High School. Since he's turned 16, he's joined the Walden fire department. He also joined the Town of Montgomery ambulance Corp where he is starting to do EMS stuff. So, again, get his hands involved in the community. He lived in the area between Newburgh and Walden his whole life, when I first started, I was a dispatcher so this is an endeavor that it's a first step to get somewhere where maybe he will be standing in my shoes in 30 years down the road. I think he would be detrimental to the Police Department as well as Jessica and all the new employees that we

have hired and I'd just like to again, introduce Justin Kurtz to everyone and wish him the best of luck. I think it's a great place to have a great job and I guess you can get away with telling me what to do for once, but we'll see how that goes.

Mayor Pearson: Thank you for joining us, we appreciate that. Good luck with what you do we are happy you are here.

Manager Revella: They can submit their speech in written form.

Manager Revella: Thank you.

Chief D'Elcio: Officer Kurtz and dispatcher McClintock we have 60 years of service here in Walden, so I think as we move forward it's a huge step for us to have their children come to work here. We have a second generation of employees coming back to Walden. To have them here that's something we're really excited about to keep that golden legacy. At this point I would like to introduce Shawn Talmadge. Sean is the son of Bob Talmadge; Bob is a retired corrections officer from Green Haven and New York State correction system. Sean graduated from Minisink Valley, he then graduated from SUNY Orange, continued his education then graduated from Suny Oneonta. He came to us with a background in security he completed phase one at the Rockland County Police Academy yesterday he began Phase 2 sponsored by the Village of Walden and the Rockland County Police Academy. Shawn is going to be our new full time police officer. During the whole process Shawn has been very eager to get here, which I appreciate. He's very excited to be here and he has made that known. He's local, he's from Montgomery and we're very lucky to have him. So, I would like to introduce you guys to Shawn.

Mayor Pearson: Best of luck.

Chief D'Elcio: Thank you. Our next officer that we'll introduce is Robert McCutchen. Officer McCutchen is a graduate of Wallkill High School; he graduated from Ulster County police Academy in 2016. He comes from a background of owning a flooring company he had previously worked at the town of Plattekill and the town of New Paltz as a part time police officer. For some reason he told me to say that he's a former competitive golfer, I don't know if that's true or not but that's what he says. Officer McCutcheon came over, and he started with us part time and he just accepted full time position with us. Again, I'd like to introduce Officer McCutcheon.

Mayor Pearson: Thank you for coming and we appreciate you being here.

Chief D'Elcio: Lastly, I'd like to introduce Jordan Mauro as our next new full time police officer. Jordan is the son of Jeffrey and Carra Mauro and the brother of Jared Mauro. He graduated from Valley Central High School in 2016. He attended college on a scholarship

for men's lacrosse and pursue his degree in criminal justice, and in 2023 he put himself through the Ulster County police Academy and then was hired by the Village of Montgomery in 2023. He attended Phase 2 at the Orange County Police Chiefs Association. He started working part time in the village of Walden in 2023, and we proudly would like to introduce him as one of our new full-time officers. Lastly, I'm going to bring up Sergeant Dudas, he's going to speak about some of the actions that took place on the recent call for service that we had. I'd like to also acknowledge the first line supervisors being a Sergeant Police Department is a vital role they interact with their staff on a consistent basis they facilitate our whole vision to the patrol division. And obviously we're trying to set a high standard here so when I received a notification about the actions that took place, I thought that it was imperative that we shared it with the board and community. So, I'm going to bring up Sergeant Dudas to tell you guys more about the action.

Sergeant Dudas: Good evening board. Officer Mauro and McCutcheon and dispatcher McClintock and Murphy can you join me please. So, I'm having these members join me up here I think it's cool that these are newer members and that this experience happened, thankfully it was a great outcome so if you could just bear with me I'd like to take a moment to recognize the members of the Police Department and congratulate them on a job well done. This past Sunday night, the 14th at approximately 7:30 at a residence on Pleasant Avenue, the Walden Police Department was dispatched to a priority medical call. It was reported that an infant was choking turning blue and became unresponsive. Dispatchers Kathleen and Jessica working at the time received notification of the incident they dispatched officer Jordan Mauro, and officer Rob McCutcheon who immediately responded to the scene. Upon their arrival officer Mauro made initial contact with the female outside the residence on the front lawn who was rendering aid to the infant at that time a large gathering of neighbors had collected in the front yard. Officer Mauro took immediate action and instinctively through his knowledge and experience began rendering basic lifesaving aid and skills to the infant. So, the female that was at the at the scene with the infant when they arrived was doing what she thought was right however it was the incorrect procedure. I would still like to point out and recognize that she was there, and she was doing the best she could until the emergency personnel arrived. Officer Mauro recognized that the woman was attempting to push on the infant's chest to clear the airway while holding the child flat on her back. Officer Mauro at that time took the child and placed the infant over and began basically doing the basic lifesaving procedure. So, you put the child out kind of like this. Provide soft blows to the back, you want the child's head lower than the chest to help with gravity and basically just dislodge whatever is obstructing her from breathing. So again, he administered that technique after numerous strikes the infant then began crying, which if people don't know is a very good sound because now at

that point it means the child is breathing. So, Officer Mauro and McCutcheon were the first emergency personnel on the scene, they were also assisted by the Walden Fire department and the Town of Montgomery volunteer ambulance Corp who arrived shortly after. Upon arrival the infant was turned over to them, and they just checked the child further. At that time, it was unclear what was causing the infant to stop breathing there's no food or object that was located or found to be distinguished as a source of blockage. I was fortunate enough where the following day I was at school I was approached by the infant's mother who was with the infant to pick up her other child, so the infant was in good health she was walking proudly with her brother who had just got dismissed from school, so it was cool to see that. She wanted to express her gratitude and her recognition of the professionalism that took place at that moment she said to me that she was upset at the moment, and she froze and did not know what to do she just began yelling for help she informed me that the woman who was there was her neighbor and that she had heard her screaming for help. She told me her daughter walked into the living room and just suddenly fell to the ground. She told me her daughter's lips were turning blue, her face began to get pale, and she became unresponsive. She said in that moment she did not know what to do and emphasized that when she thanked the officers, they replied in summary your welcome and that it's our job, and to me she said she felt it was so much more than that, that it is your job but that the officer took immediate action, knew exactly what to do and saved her one year old under the highly stressful moment when she felt completely helpless. And it was something they should take pride in and should be proud of themselves for, and it was more than just their job. She told me basically her daughter has a medical condition and believes that her daughter was choking on some kind of mucus but that she just was more than grateful, so again I'd just like to acknowledge our dispatchers as our first line of communication who officially relayed the information to our officers, Providing with updates while they're on route, all while they're under pressure. Both are mothers and getting a call like that, I can't imagine. I'm proud of them for being able to handle it. And do their job properly. Also, I'd like to acknowledge the officers for remaining professional, being able to take swift action to save the infant all while under extreme pressure as well. I'm proud of these Walden Police Department members. This goes to show how our team works collectively, I consider them all heroes, and I hope you do as well, and I'd like to take a moment to congratulate them on a job well done.

Mayor Pearson: Jordan and Robert thank you very much. I have Jordan, I will get you one as well and for the 2 dispatchers. We'll get you something as well, so I just wanted to give this to you Jordan, it's from the village for an outstanding job, thank you so much.

Chief D'Elcio: Again, I'd like to thank Madam Mayor, the board of trustees, and the village manager for your continued support for the police department. I'd like to welcome again all

the new employees to our Police Department. And again, I'd like to thank all. The members include our first line supervision, all our police department, our dispatchers, and parking enforcement. The amount of work that they're doing day in and day out during this transition period has been nothing short of amazing. I'm very proud of these guys and gals for the way they conduct themselves. I can't thank them enough for all the hard work they continue to do. So again, thank you for having us tonight.

Mayor Pearson: *We're going to continue approval of minutes for September 2nd meeting, does anyone want to make a motion?*

Trustee Mishk: *I'll make a motion.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *Any discussion? All in favor?*

Aye: Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Kyle, Trustee Mishk,

Abstain: Trustee Baker

Mayor Pearson: Public comment, business of the board anyone want to follow up on our agenda this evening? Unless you are on our agenda this evening.

Mayor Pearson: *Okay audit of the bills, anyone wants to make a motion to pay the bills.*

Trustee Kyle: *I'll make a motion.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: Any discussion? All in favor?

Aye: Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Kyle

Abstained: Trustee Baker

Mayor Pearson: Business of the board were going to start with E-bikes. I just wanted to ask Liz do you have anything further on the videos?

Trustee Kyle: Can we get together afterwards?

Mayor Pearson: Yes.

Mayor Pearson: Okay Chief, thank you for getting us that report, I appreciate that.

Chief D'Elcio: I don't have the initial report Infront of me, the initial research i did do i sent to you. I think the key thing we're at with this is that the DOT does govern e-bikes the vehicle and traffic law, anything that you guys choose to enact as far as that goes or be in addition

to that. I'm of the opinion that we should have a committee discussing for village code for what issues really need to be enacted to set enforcement codes.

Mayor Pearson: Do you think we should add to it for what we have, or do you think it's enough or should we have more?

Chief D'Elcio: So obviously we do run situations with E bikes I don't have the data to say how many calls for service we specifically have with e-bikes anything that we enact with village code depends on what that village needs. When the community comes to you guys, if you feel that there's a need. First step is the DOT does address it. I'm not opposed if it's under the board 's advisement that you guys want to try to form a committee to discuss the concerns that everybody has and then based on those concerns we can obviously see how it's addressed by the DOT if it's the belief of the community that through the committee we want to put more regulations through the village code on that I think that's something that we can discuss. My initial amount of research is e-bikes are an issue everywhere, they are here, but I don't have in front of me the specific data on how many calls per service. I think that's something we should review and discuss at this point the DOT does govern it but I wouldn't be comfortable saying that I think it's adequate or inadequate. And I think that's something we need to have a discussion or committee to decide what we need to put.

Mayor Pearson: Anything from the board to the Chief? It's straightforward and I read the state law, and I read a couple other people who had them in their code, they added a few things like a fine.

Trustee Kyle: If there are already traffic laws that cover it, I think if it's the opinion of the

Chief D'Elcio: I'm not opposed to it. But I also want to be clear if the board feels we should add more to it we can do that.

Trustee Baker: I did like the suggestions that you had you know laid out for possible revisions that we can add in addition, which I would like to further explore with the committee. I think there should be fine structure on how we want to respond, especially with repeat offenders.

Trustee Mishk: I don't know if it's possible but maybe you can answer this, would it be for the village residents operating e-bikes, can we at least, and I use this term loosely register, not register one more vehicle of course but the Police Department maybe have a copy of them because many times they're running through the neighborhoods and with the description that maybe people might want to call because they were almost run over on the sidewalk you would be able to find them easier.

Chief D'Elcio: Yeah, I think as far as registration, the DMV designs what they like is registration process based on whatever that is like altering vehicles after that. For me I think the biggest concern is that we will see kids on e-bikes, dirt bikes, different motorized vehicles and you'll see them throughout the village. From a police perspective, one of the biggest things that I think about is overall safety like our policies with addressing it. I wonder and I don't know this off hand without researching it but if that's right, like Trustee Baker brought up with the fines of enforcement, if they're operating here, I don't know specifically how you can get but proof of ownership.

Trustee Mishk: I really wasn't talking registration, more of a database of kids using these bikes.

Chief D'Elcio: Oh yeah so just to touch on that real quick so any call for service that we go on through the system that we currently use impact; there's different tabs for information that we take that we can reference later.

Trustee Mishk: OK thank you.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I was on the board when we talked about this a few years ago and my stance then was that we already have laws to deal with this. I felt like why we would reinvent the wheel we already have laws, to me it's all about enforcement. So, I don't know as we need to change anything with what the state law says or if we just maybe be a little more vigilant in enforcing the laws that are already in the books, and I'm not saying you guys aren't doing your jobs I'm not saying that at all. I'm just saying there are a lot of laws that exist for a reason, but they're not always well enforced so I'm not opposed to having a discussion or having a committee, but I just feel the laws in place and perhaps we should just work a little harder to enforce the laws that we already have.

Mayor Pearson: We're missing a couple tonight, so we'll just carry over and just see if they have other opinions. If somebody wants to be on a committee and they feel this strongly we'll touch base again after this next meeting, we will put it on the agenda.

Mayor Pearson: Letter B. 7 Lafayette Street I was supposed to get an e-mail from them but I did not get an e-mail so he called me, and he would like to be put on for the next meeting. He and his son are going to school tonight. So, we are going to move on to 27 Ulster Ave. Robs is not here, can we do this tonight?

Attorney Cordisco: Yeah, you don't need the building inspector for the public hearing. The hearing has been closed, and I did prepare at your direction to remedy. Which were circulated to the board and so what this provides is that because there hasn't been

compliance to this point, the way that the order to remedy works is if you adopt it. Then the owner has an additional what I suggested was 30 days, but you can put whatever number you think is appropriate there to complete the work themselves. Or the village can do that work and then assess the cost of that against the property taxes. I did prepare all of them. So, it's up to the board if you want to hear anything further from the owner but that's what I prepared for you and how you decide to move forward?

Mayor Pearson: Yeah, Mr. Wageman, come up but not too long please.

Resident: Okay I turned in a building permit. And i met with “did you solve your insurance problem.” I don't look at this particularly as my insurance problem, I look at it as you know the villages insurance problem. Supposedly this insurance problem is Hunter insurance because they called the building inspector and said insurance is needed on this and to put this an additional insured on the bill OK so now when you talk here about the general liability insurance certificate this is the Village of Walden as an additional insured. Liability insurance must be primary and noncontributory and must include a waiver of subrogation. Yeah. Can anybody here tell me what that means?

Manager Revella: So, the insurance policy that we're looking for is just to say that you're not going to hold the village responsible because we're doing inspections on your property for a permit so you're subjugating our insurance by having your own policy. It's like in place.

Mayor Pearson: Does homeowners insurance cover that or not?

Manager Revella: Yes, if you do name us additional insurance then no. contractors' insurance.

Mayor Pearson: Okay, so do all permits have that they must have that liability insurance for permit.

Manager Revella: Okay all contractors must have Insurance.

Resident: This is the big problem I'm running into.

Mayor Pearson: So, it's not his insurance, it's the contractor's insurance that he's using, is that what you're telling me?

Attorney Cordisco: It should be.

Resident: This is what's caused me a big problem. And everybody says don't look at other people 's chimneys you don't look at other people 's paperwork. A house on the corner by 19 William Street had a chimney repaired by the same person, now suddenly it comes to

me, and I've got a big problem, I can't get a building permit unless I go through all this. Now when I look at it one of the things I was going to do is foil what happened at 19 William Street. Right and somebody either looked the other way, or something is not adding up at all. Right, this is a big problem. And here everybody wants to hang me right, and it seems like that's found that I'm being held to one standard. Somebody, I hate to use the term heads, but heads should roll right? But somebody should be fired, because it's becoming too selective and too obvious. It's kind of like what's going on at 2 Oakland Avenue, it's too selective and too obvious.

Resident: I don't even have a copy of the building permit that I turned in because when I went there this morning the door was locked. This locked door policy is creating a problem too. One guy said he was waiting 2 and a half months for a building permit. So, the question comes up how quickly can this be done how quickly can a lot of things be done? As far as insurance goes the woman before me that I was listening to they wanted to put up a fence, same kind of deal building permit and all, not one peep about insurance was made. But with me insurance is the big thing, it's what's holding me back. This requirement.

Mayor Pearson: Thank you. I appreciate it.

Mayor Pearson: So, if you can check into all of that for us, please?

Manager Revella: What's the board's pleasure with this property giving them time?

Mayor Pearson: I would be saying yes, I'm going to give it time for now.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I have a question. If we have delays on our building department's end, what's a reasonable amount of time to give this gentleman? It sounds like he has done what we asked him to do. He's moved forward, he's engaged in the services of the contractor, he's filing his permit. But if he's having difficulty talking to the appropriate people in the village that he needs to talk to then what's the appropriate amount of time to give him? Obviously, it wasn't his fault that no one replied to him or was able to help him.

Manager Revella: He submitted the permit today, not sure how long before that it was asked to, I don't know how much longer you want to give after, it's up to you I mean the next meeting is October 7th.

Trustee Mishk: When's your contractor starting work.

Resident: I don't have that answer, I'm not sure. The problem is not when the contractor can start work, my problem is being treated differently than 19 William Street.

Manager Revella: we don't know that yet, you may not be treated differently. We'll check the paperwork they may have submitted a year ago and just finally started the work I don't know we'll check.

Attorney Cordisco: Just so the board is aware that notice of violation was issued in October of 2024.

Resident: Who in the right mind would put this out in almost November and say do a chimney? And I wanted to wait and do this because I wanted to see how other people were being treated and how the law is being applied to them and now, I'm finding out. Thank you.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I guess my question is John, can you follow through with the building department so we can expedite this for this gentleman if he has a contractor ready to go and all his paperwork is in order I don't want it to be delayed on our end I want it to keep moving forward agreed everybody.

Manager Revella: I don't know if you want to specify a date for the issuance of permit that might be better.

Mayor Pearson: No, I'm going to just say I want an update from the building department on the 7th. Dennis, can you come back on the 7th?

Resident: I probably can.

Mayor Pearson: Can I keep a copy of that check? I'll just write some stuff down.

Trustee Kyle: I know that we do check insurance when using the park facilities, so I know we do check insurance.

Mayor Pearson: Then we have 4 Gladstone Avenue. I don't see him here this evening.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Do we need him to be here John? I'd like to stop at 4 Gladstone Ave.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: As I said at the last meeting, I have photographs on that property from 2017. Nothing has changed on that property and all these years the gentleman was not here as we requested. I would like the attorney to say what the next course of action can be.

Attorney Cordisco: Yeah, so once again the board had conducted its hearing you closed your hearing, I did prepare an order to remedy. And so, as I said before it has 30 days from when it's served excuse me 30 days from when it's signed and then it must be served on the landowner and then they have that period to correct the problems. And if they don't then

the village building department is authorized to take whatever steps are necessary to secure the property and charge that cost back against the property.

Mayor Pearson: We don't know if he's waiting for a permit, we don't know that information.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: He didn't even come to discuss it with us. He assured us that things would be starting.

Mayor Pearson: Was he told he had to be here?

Manager Revella: If they didn't come to the hearing then they got a notice. If they didn't come to the hearing they made their decision, and that's the order now, if they don't come then that's not your problem.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: We were assured that things would start happening and nothing happened.

Mayor Pearson: You don't know if he has a permit out. I don't know if I can't answer I can't ask that question.

Manager Revella: That's not your job to ask for that's the owner's job to show proof that he's done something. He hasn't so then you take whatever action you deem necessary.

Attorney Cordisco: And even assuming you know for a moment that just the lack of information that you have after status update at this point it's possible that a building permit has been applied for and it's in process. But this would still be if you adopted the order to remedy it would provide them with 30 days to complete that work.

Mayor Pearson: Who wants to make a motion?

Trustee Baker: *I'll make a motion.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *Any discussion and all in favor?*

Aye: *All ayes motion carried.*

Mayor Pearson: Okay moving on and that's 30 days from now. Moving on to 121 Ulster Avenue update, I know she was saying she was going to cut her bushes.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: This person has been working to try and correct some of these issues.

Manager Revella: We had volunteers that went there and helped.

Mayor Pearson: But she also did the chimney that she needed to do.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: She has tackled some of the projects, correct?

Manager Revella: Now the issue is the siding and the fascia soffit.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Are there permits for this do you know?

Manager Revella: Yeah, not yet no.

Trustee Baker: Well, I'm saying you can't treat one differently than the other. So, it has to be the same.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I agree and it's hard to say that, but this is to get property owners to fix their properties. And if we keep kicking the can down the road, we see that nothing 's getting done. I feel like the building inspector has brought these things to us because he wants us to act.

Trustee Mishk: What is the issue of 121 Ulster Ave.

Manager Revella: It's the siding soffit and fascia there's holes in it there's rotting and peeling off paint as well.

Mayor Pearson: The porch as well. She has all the wood on the porch and she's looking for a contractor.

Trustee Mishk: Well, if you hire a contractor, it's the contractor's obligation most times to file for the permit. So, if he hired a contractor and he dragged his feet we really can't do much about that.

Mayor Pearson: We just did that. We just don't know about the building department; it's the same thing no matter what you're talking about.

Trustee Kyle: Mr. Wallner did say that the paperwork was not in order, and he refused to submit insurance documents.

Manager Revella: It's not a hearing tonight so he wouldn't be present for non-hearing. It's for the board to act because it was not in compliance.

Mayor Pearson: Alright so what's our action? Are we treating everyone the same?

Trustee Baker: I say we treat everyone the same.

Mayor Pearson: *Is there a motion for 30 days to have the work started?*

Trustee Baker: *I'll make the motion.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *More discussion?*

Trustee Mishk: *I'm pressed to move on without knowing what the progress is, what the story is, who the contractor is he hired. I mean it's one thing to look at these properties that have garbage out all over the place. But if the guy can't get a building permit to get the work done, that's not his fault.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *Right, but at least then, now because we are taking an action the property owner has got to try to work with the village or there's going to be a consequence*

Trustee Kyle: *Yeah, it's also not the villages' fault.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *No but we need to have communication, we need to know what's happening. These things have been going on for years.*

Manager Revella: *6 years at least on this one. Back and forth that's been before the board prior as well.*

Mayor Pearson: *Any more discussion? Alright, all in favor?*

Aye: *Mayor Pearson, Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kyle.*

Nay: *Trustee Mishk.*

Mayor Pearson: *I'm an aye, because what's the difference between one or another one? Seriously they're all the same to me.*

Trustee Mishk: *Well as I sit here listening to these you're right. Most of them are the same, but if there is roadblock and they're not able to get a building permit because the office is closed or locked or whatever the case maybe they shouldn't be penalized for it because they're trying to do it.*

Mayor Pearson: *I agree with you. So, then we go back and change them all.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *But this has been going on for years.*

Manager Revella: *Well, if you get the order and the people come forward with progress, we're not going to bid on it, we're going to work with them to get it done if they don't do it in 30 days then we have the option to bid it out.*

Attorney Cordisco: *That's absolutely correct, if this doesn't require.*

Trustee Mishk: *Are they the same orders?*

Attorney Cordisco: *Yes, they're all the same orders. And they're all structured the same way that there are 30 days and then after the 30 days the building department may, so if there's progress that's being made.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Then we don't have to do anything.

Attorney Cordisco: Correct, why would the building department want to take it on themselves when we just hope for compliance, we don't want to have to do this.

Mayor Pearson: There is a 20 George Street on here, which would be new because I don't have any information on 20 George Street.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Are we finished with 121 Ulster Avenue, are we moving on to the next one I am asking because Jerry just brought up another question?

Mayor Pearson: Yeah, it's already a vote.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: To George Street. No, I don't either, we don't have any paperwork.

Manager Revella: Table.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: So, are we holding that one?

Manager Revella: Table.

Mayor Pearson: All right moving on to 90 South Montgomery Street.

Manager Revella: The abandoned house that is up on South Montgomery Street.

Mayor Pearson: *Anyone want to make a motion?*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll make a motion.*

Trustee Baker: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *Is there any discussion? All in favor aye.*

Aye: *Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kyle.*

Mayor Pearson: 7 South Montgomery Street. Yeah, that's the one that you can't get the backyard clean the fire department was there. Anyone want to make a motion on that one?

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I feel like I'm not familiar with this property.

Manager Revella: It's the one with the fire department trying to get through the back and they couldn't, they ended up cutting some of the brush, but that was about it was.

Mayor Pearson: It's also for a chimney, the violations for the chimney are for deteriorating bricks, something unsafe falling on the sidewalk, grounds not kept clean, the front deck is rotten, overall unsafe condition.

Trustee Baker: Has that property had a notice for a tax sale? So, what happens if it goes for sale to the county, what happens at that point if we do this and it goes up for sale at the county court?

Manager Revella: Depends on the timing, so if the timing is not for 2 years, it's different but if it's now, they would have to notify all lienholders of the sale and give them an option to purchase for whatever the sale price is or the person buying to buy it for whatever.

Trustee Baker: But how does that affect the village if we go and do these repairs and this ends up as a tax sale?

Manager Revella: It depends on the timing of the lien. I'm not sure.

Attorney Cordisco: Property taxes would still be assessed against the property so if there's cost that the village extends and those costs would still be added to the property taxes. The question of when they get paid, you'll ultimately get paid.

Mayor Pearson: *So, this is the same. We're moving forward, so does anyone want to make a motion?*

Trustee Mishk: *I'll make a motion.*

Trustee Baker: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *Any discussion? All in favor?*

Aye: *Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kyle.*

Mayor Pearson: Okay, we are up to 192 Ulster Avenue. I didn't get that one from you.

Attorney Cordisco: Yeah, I can send it tomorrow but it would be the same format so you could authorize this, yes correct.

Mayor Pearson: *Anyone want to make a motion for that?*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll make a motion.*

Trustee Kyle: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *All in favor?*

Aye: *Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kyle.*

Mayor Pearson: Moving on to outdoor fire pits, barbecue pits. I sent some laws from other communities to better understand what we need and I kind of like what Montgomery had for where they go, you know fixed firepits versus portable firepits recreation fires? I thought that was well written. Any comments about what your thoughts are?

Trustee Kyle: I agree, I like the way the Montgomery one is written up. Also, the Warwick one was good.

Mayor Pearson: Warwick one was simple, it wasn't too much.

Manager Revella: It's good I like it. Now there's one part that I'm not sure about. If the board, Warwick's 55.2 in the end it says or the burning of paper and enclosed incinerator, I'm not sure you want to allow that in the village.

Trustee Kyle: How many people have enclosed incinerators?

Manager Revella: I don't know but I don't know if you want that, it's dangerous. It still comes out of the chimney the paper usually has debris that comes out it's so difficult I don't know why they would even allow that. And I don't know why we would want that in our code at all.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Montgomery's doesn't have anything about outdoor kitchens, or outdoor ovens, which people use especially pizza ovens. It's mentioned in the village of Warwick but not Montgomery.

Attorney Cordisco: So, I would certainly add nothing contained here and however shall prevent the operation of outdoor grills, pizza ovens, or fireplaces for the preparation of food. Then we cut out the burning paper in an enclosed incinerator.

Mayor Pearson: Are those things going to be the same distance from yards or is it going to be something different.

Attorney Cordisco: I don't know if you necessarily want to regulate that. Do you want to regulate how far away someone's grill is away from their house? Also opening potential enforcement relates to that. I'm a little concerned about outdoor kitchens because that requires building permits because, like anyone that would have to come in and would have to get a building permit, they would have to design drawings you know for that and I think they fall in an entirely different category.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Understood that's why I was asking.

Mayor Pearson: Alright, so pizza oven would be fine. So, are you okay with that board?

Attorney Cordisco: So, I will add that into the code revisions I am working on those so I will get you a draft of those.

Mayor Pearson: Sure, do we need a motion for that or not?

Attorney Cordisco: No because you're going to end up having a draft and if you're okay with the draft then you'll need to hold a public hearing.

Mayor Pearson: Moving onto code revisions, which we are going to do at the next meeting.

Mayor Pearson: Okay time clocks, John, I know you put this in here

Manager Revella: Yeah, this is the favored company for Edmonds and it's the only one to respond to us every time we ask for bids. The other people I don't know why they're not giving us quotes. They have all the options you can ever think of they have retinol as an option, they have touch as an option they have location as an option whatever option you want, they can do without an issue. It's priced by employee it's priced by how many employees you have in the system.

Mayor Pearson: And I know we talked about the facial one of the towns had I'm sure that must work with Edmonds or does it not because they don't use payroll with Edmonds.

Mayor Pearson: So, I think you can check that for us just to see the pricing on that as well.

Manager Revella: Yep, it's also per employee too so yes.

Mayor Pearson: Yes, I saw I went online pricing so just tell me by employee.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Do you have a preference John, I mean you are involved with payroll and everything I'm just curious what you think?

Manager Revella: I think that because of the number of employees we have in the locations the proximity one is very important to have but I'd like to have the options depending on the location it's like you have parks people that work in all different locations I don't want to pay for 1,000,000 machines. Whatever is more cost effective. As for summer camp I'm sure you know they're all different locations, but the parks guys will be at different locations when they start, we'll figure it out.

Mayor Pearson: I get it and that includes all departments.

Manager Revella: Yes.

Manager Revella: Maybe all departments but we would have to discuss collective bargaining for CSEA we wanted to include them to be required to do.

Trustee Mishk: Can we have one of these companies? Which are ones you prefer, come in, and give us a demo.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Why would we not want to require all our employees?

Manager Revella: You can't require CSEA without collective bargaining.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I understand that but that would be something that you'd be up for negotiating in your next contract?

Manager Revella: Yeah, exactly right, of course. Whatever makes payroll easier.

Mayor Pearson: Alright so next meeting maybe we get someone to come in?

Manager Revella: I'll ask them if they can, I mean they're not local, they're from Atlanta but they may have a Rep nearby.

Mayor Pearson: Okay, the yard sale.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I have a question. This that we were reading talks about 4-yard sales per year, correct?

Manager Revella: That's one of them.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Yes, but my question is this, we have 2-yard sales a year that people do not need a permit for, do you really want 6-yard sales a year?

Mayor Pearson: No, that's what your discussion is, what came to us because of the price of another fee. Do we need to add or subtract something

Mayor Pearson: Each day is another expense. And do you think about who decides 75 to 50. Why don't we just have one set fee?

Manager Revella: I mean that is up to you guys. How big is the yard sale?

Mayor Pearson: Are our churches exempt on that

Manager Revella: That's up to you guys if you want to exempt them, I don't know if they are I don't think they are now.

Mayor Pearson: So, I think indoors would be separate from that. I don't know if they got a fee, I think they just read the fee and were shocked at the amount of the fine, \$250.00.

Trustee Baker: To nail someone for selling a cabbage patch doll is a bit excessive.

Mayor Pearson: I agree, and I wanted to send you other laws in case you wanted to change anything.

Mayor Pearson: Up to you because it goes into yard sales tax sales.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Then we have a state sale. It can get crazy.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Well, it sounds to me like we're all in agreement that the fine is outrageous.

Manager Revella: Do you want to look at the different laws that were presented, maybe some ideas to revise the villages to talk to the attorney about doing that?

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I only had 2 things I don't want to see us having, I don't want a person to have 100-yard sales a year. We already have 2 that you don't need a permit for, and you don't get a fine for. So, do we add 2 more per person do we leave the 4 like that's in these other laws plus we have our 2 with our bulk pickup that everybody's entitled to participate in for free?

Mayor Pearson: Did you read those articles that include insurance. We are back to insurance so why is it on my property if they fall, they sue me and not the village so why is that even in there? I would take that out. Let's reread it next meeting come back to it. Take out what you want, you might as well do it right and get it to where people, and the public can also comment, so it's really where it needs to be.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Dominic why would they need additional insurance wouldn't your homeowner's insurance be sufficient if you were having a yard sale?

Attorney Cordisco: Sure.

Trustee Kyle: I think it's just saying include proof of adequate insurance, so I think it's just a matter of showing insurance not necessarily getting extra insurance but just providing insurance.

Mayor Pearson: The community council was asking if we could put signs up in the village for yard sales.

Manager Revella: That is up to you guys.

Mayor Pearson: Alright so outdoor cafe fees we discussed that last time. We're going to make a motion to put them in our fee schedule. It was \$100 for the one that is permanent, and it is a one-time fee until that café goes away, whoever buys it after must go to the planning board and for the next it will be permanent after the fee is paid. Then the pop-up ones on the streets would be \$10.00 every year to begin with the year January. They're not really doing anything, they're just putting out tables, I mean they're going to do fire inspections in those businesses anyway.

Mayor Pearson: *So, does anyone want to make a motion?*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll make a motion to accept the fee schedule.*

Trustee Kyle: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *Any discussion? All in favor?*

Aye: *Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kyle.*

Mayor Pearson: Okay public comment?

Mayor Pearson: Okay we have Julie Stratton

Resident reads a letter on behalf of her neighbor Joyce about 75 Maple Street

Resident: To the village board, village management, lawyer, and police department about 79 Maple Street upon which you notice has been posted which cites the New York State property and maintenance code. Section 107.1. 0.3 structure unfit for human occupancy and 107.5 placard removal. It is necessary to know definitions when reading these codes. Chapter 2 definitions of the property maintenance code of New York section 201.5 title states whenever the words, dwelling unit, dwelling premises, building, rooming, house rooming unit housekeeping unit or storing are stated in this code. They shall be construed as though they were followed by words or any part thereof. Section 202. General definitions of state code as well as section 214-2 of Village of Walden Code Premise are defined as a lot, Plot or parcel of land easement or public way including the structure thereof. In village of Walden code, it is worded as the building dwelling. And work around. According to New York State code section 107.4 unsafe structures and equipment prohibit occupy states no person shall occupy placarded premises or shall operate placarded equipment additionally in section 105.5 of the New York State so. And section 305. 63 long code and I paraphrase here. That it's picked. Up a blocking issue is required for permission to use or occupy a building or structure or any portion thereof and no person or entity shall use or occupy such building entry. Sure, for such portion thereof or less. Certification has been obtained. It has not been revoked or expired. In summary section 107 together with Session 15 New York code and 3 at village Code and the Definitions of section 201 and 2 code and 214. The village code is clearly spelled out at 75 Maple Street. In section 15 of state Code and 3 or 5 of those roles. Therefore, the village of Walden. To allow anyone to be on. The property to clear violation of New York. State and village codes and subject. Dogs at the property or see these people engage in illegal or illicit behaviors we expect this problem to be resolved immediately and permanently. Sincerely and respectfully Mike.

Another resident from Maple Street comes up

Resident: I second Joyce's letter. According to the village code you cannot have appliances on the porch. There was an incident with the dogs*inaudible* the mail lady was chased by

the dog, and something needs to happen, God forbid it was a child. I can't sleep because of the dogs barking. It's a unsafe structure.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I walk there but I'm very cautious now.

Mayor Pearson: I understand I got bit by a dog out here.

Manager Revella: I can't speak about the rights of the property owner, but I can address comments if the board wants me to, it's up to you. I'm sorry about the incident last night I was at the police station when they came back, I talked about that and made sure they'd been over there daily to make sure they're not sleeping. We cited them. So, the family members called me about it too to make sure they check on them to get them they don't want them there either, the other family members but so we have them cited for the furniture and for the condition of the property. We have the ADA on call to see what we can do about removing them from the place they're not helping us with that, yet they said we're going to get rid of removing them from the porch wouldn't support that at this time to trespass them from the porch. So, we're doing whatever we can to make them uncomfortable so I got the police check in with them every couple of hours as a welfare check to see that they're alive so they're not sleeping on the porch if they're doing any lewd acts like public urination which I heard happened so they can arrest them for that. The dogs is a different issue we're trying but it's up to the town animal control officer to address that since your incident and the post office since the postal workers incident I'm not sure where she is with it but I've been pushing the police to push her at the town to make sure they take care of that because they're not being taken care of well when they're sleeping on the porch with the dogs and the dogs aren't really getting out anywhere they are in danger so I believe they are the animal control to do that inside that pursuing the business board can't really do that. Unfortunately, they are doing what they can and that's making sure the code enforcement officers citing to get rid of the couches because they're not allowed on the porch a lot of that stuff is not allowed out their stuff in the yard, the fence that stuff so, we can work on this and discuss that.

Mayor Pearson: That is sleeping on the porch.

Manager Revella: I'm making sure the police are checking to make sure they're not dead so every couple of hours they're checking in on the porch to make sure they're awake. To get them out.

Trustee Baker: If they don't respond to the violation with the couches and everything does the village have the ability to go in and remove them?

Manager Revella: Yes, we give a certain number of days and then we can remove. I think its 10 days on that, but we must discuss that. And I did instruct the building inspector was

going to go to the premises to make sure he has to avoid the dogs we don't need our employees getting bit either it's not a happy place right now.

Mayor Pearson: We have uh Meg Charles.

Resident: I'm basically just kind of reiterating what they say. I also live on Maple Street. I have seen people relive themselves, and the dogs are very strong tied up or not tied up. It is super frustrating getting woken up every hour of the night, individuals going up to my camera and giving gestures and staying there for moments, screaming, yelling. Allegedly I have seen them doing drugs, and I've called the cops in the past. It just concerns me for my kids.

Manager Revella: I don't want to speak out of turn about what the attorney is doing at this moment with the Police Department but they're trying to do whatever they can to remedy. It's not a quick fix unfortunately and we hoped it was. But they keep telling us it's not right now.

Trustee Kyle: Even if they were given a citation that doesn't mean you can forcibly remove them.

Manager Revella: Something like that we're working on that. Have you had them trespassed?

Resident: Jen, I have.

Manager Revella: Not the other 2?

Resident: Not the other 2 but I know my neighbor next door has.

Manager Revella: So, consider that now in the meantime. Hopefully it's resolved quickly but if not in the meantime that will help us all. They're going to wander I'd rather they weren't able to.

Mayor Pearson: We will continue working on it, we have tried once and we will keep trying.

Mayor Pearson: Even though we don't like what's happening, there are still rights that people have. We must go by law.

Mayor Pearson: We can move on to correspondence we did everyone get a letter from Mr. Sullivan about the pharmacy issues. With rite-aid closing he just feels we should bring in a pharmacy. And we did get a letter from LP Builders, does anyone have a comment?

Trustee Mishk: I think that is a possibility of relief, but the violation is still going unanswered, and the gate is up there and were told that the building department cited him for putting a gate up without a permit for the fence up without permit. And it still hasn't been remedied I think that must be remedied first plus it blocks our property. Which has been there for quite a long time, so I think before we consider anything else we need to address that.

Trustee Baker: Yeah, my question you know I have been approached with this and I'm not against the proposal, but someone had mentioned to me that the other property owners would be charged maintenance and I want to know if that is still the plan because if it is then i am not in favor of.

Manager Revella: I don't know if that was addressed.

Mayor Pearson: So, I don't know for me, I think that the village should really take back the land and the property.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I don't think this should be entertained. Because it's not addressing the true problem. It's a solution too; the problem is still there.

Mayor Pearson: Site plan of the building that he did also talk about that driveway remaining so all of that is in this folder.

Trustee Mishk: I would like to know why when all these other hearings occurred on property issues that this one hasn't been brought before us to address because he certainly hasn't complied with the order, I'm assuming the order was given, maybe I shouldn't assume that. But to remove that gate and then we can talk about other things or other issues that the property owners want to address. But I think that the owner of the property should be here and that it should be addressed either here or to village court.

Trustee Baker: Was he given an order to remove the fence?

Manager Revella: I'm not aware of any order, I'm not sure if it was brought to court or not.

Trustee Kyle: He was given a violation.

Mayor Pearson: The violation is in here let me find it.

Manager Revella: it's been going on since June 16th.

Mayor Pearson: The permit doesn't specify a lot, observe fence and install without permit, that's it. So, what is that supposed to say somebody. Are we supposed to then what? What's going to happen?

Manager Revella: Obtain the proper permit I don't know I don't have it in front of me. The violation paper.

Trustee Kyle: Yeah, I mean that doesn't really specify that they must take it down.

Mayor Pearson: It was a stop work order on July 16.

Manager Revella: Yeah, that's what was shown, it's been 2 months.

Trustee Mishk: I don't think we're there, yet I think we need to address the situation and just for the record because I saw it mentioned here, the definition of a gate is a movable part of a fence. I think the building inspector needs to realize that. Maybe start reading some of his own laws.

Trustee Baker: In the meantime, until this is resolved can we get the building department to take down that gateway?

Manager Revella: No, you cannot do that he's got to take him to court or here for a hearing and whoever adjudicates that hearing has to say that either this board or the court.

Mayor Pearson: To me this is saying they got cited because they did not get a permit, so Mr. Attorney that would mean that the fence shouldn't have gone up, because there was no permit.

Attorney Cordisco: I'm reticent to comment on this because it is a complicated issue and I have limited information about it, it's complex because there's multiple like spinning plates in connection with this and we have site plan approval for portion of this, we have a fence with a gate that was it constructed which apparently was constructed without a permit we have a notice of violation that was issued we have a landowner that has not complied with that notice of violation we have in dispute you know land ownership issues as far as right of way is concerned it's is undisputed as far as I'm concerned however that the people that have been accessing oak street to get to the backs of their homes have been doing it for as long as those homes have been there. And so, I've said from the outset that there shouldn't be a dispute as to whether there is an easement or not because they certainly if nothing else have an easement by prescription which means that they've been using it and that's what they have. So, it's clear that the from my point of view that the fence went up and it should not have gone up it should be taken down it is a question of enforcement this board can't in the record that you have a procedural steps that you have right now they can't order the things be done but you can ask the building inspector as to like where things stand. And you know continue to encourage him to take appropriate steps that that are necessary to reopen this, I just seen now you know this letter that was sent September 15th from the landowner offering to make some accommodation. To put these people out through the parking lot whether that's feasible or advisable. Think that I prefer the board as to what you

know but I think what I'm hearing is that you know you agree with me that these people have the right to use oak street and that right should be restored.

Mayor Pearson: Agreed. And that has been my point forever.

Attorney Cordisco: There are multiple issues here and it's also complicated by the fact that the village owns a piece of property that is now being obscured but on the flip side of that it's not like you really use it you know it's really I think your concern is about the homeowners who've now been prevented with access.

Mayor Pearson: Plus, we don't want garbage cans on main street we don't want a lot of that to happen and it's a detriment to get down the hill to put their garbage down there, and if someone falls, they will sue the village so there are a lot of issues.

Attorney Cordisco: And this was all created by unilateral action of the landowner.

Mayor Pearson: All right so, I don't think we're ready to act on anything. As far as I'm concerned, yes or no?

Trustee Mishk: I think we should direct the manager to direct the building inspector to move this case into village court at the soonest possible date. And let it be addressed there and all the legal can be involved in deciding then.

Mayor Pearson: *Okay do you want to make that a motion?*

Trustee Mishk: *I'll make that a formal motion yes.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *Ill second that.*

Mayor Pearson: *All right anymore discussion? All in favor?*

Aye: *Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Baker.*

Abstain: *Trustee Kyle*

Trustee Baker: Can the board agree to ask the gentleman to come before the board so we can ask for more details in the letter I don't think that's unreasonable.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I think I think we should wait until it goes to court.

Mayor Pearson: I agree.

Trustee Baker: But I would like to ask for more detail on this letter.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: But why would we even move to the letter depending on what the court rules.

Trustee Baker: Because they're 2 separate things that's about taking down the fence but, in the meantime, I don't see why we can't inquire about this.

Trustee Mishk: Well, if anything like that's going to be done, we're going to need site plans we're going to need drawings we're going to NYSEG to come in and address all these issues. So, what are we considering until we know it's even feasible?

Trustee Baker: I get that, I would like clarification on the letter. I don't know why that's such a hard thing to get.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Because the letter might be a mute point.

Trustee Kyle: Well, she won't know that until she can get clarification on it.

Mayor Pearson: Alright so moving on. Liz anything?

Trustee Kyle: There was a comment on Facebook that asked about the crosswalk at the end of the street on South Montgomery. They paved it a couple of weeks ago but who can we ask to put the crosswalk back.

Mayor Pearson: The county paves South Montgomery Street.

Trustee Kyle: Also, when are the appliances going into the Anita Vandermark?

Manager Revella: The appliances are in.

Manager Revella: Appliances, yes there's some countertop or something they were waiting to get in, and that was it, then a fume hood inspection that might have been done already I don't know, that's the last I got from the engineer.

Trustee Baker: Lynn and I attended general Montgomery day, and it was very lovely. It was well attended and thankfully the rain held off. It was a wonderful event, and they always do a good job.

Mayor Pearson: Jerry?

Trustee Mishk: Nothing.

Mayor Pearson: Lynn?

Deputy Mayor Thompson: I got a phone call and I encouraged them to call you apparently there is some issues with the bus stop down at Walden estates with people parking, sight lines are not good just for people to see who's getting off and on the school bus driveways are getting blocked with parents that are there for pickups so I thought someone that lives over there was going to be here tonight but I guess they couldn't make it. It's at the entrance

where the children wait for the bus. And I just wanted to ask you, do we use parking spaces, like mark them out, the lines on most of our village streets?

Manager Revella: No, only downtown.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: So do we do Orchard Street because there are some that are marked but if you go down the street on the side that the church is on there are no spots and everybody complains about parking at the school. Something I constantly see where we waste 4 or 5 parking spots on that street. So, I don't know if that would be worth looking into or not because a lot of people when they can't find anything in the municipal lot or by the library or in front of the Good Samaritan or in front of the rectory over there, they go down orchard street or they circle around and want to park there it would really be helpful if we could maximize the number of cars that park there.

Manager Revella: We are trying to get our painting contractor in as soon as possible then.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: But I don't know if the DPW would look at that and determine how many, who determines how many spots?

Manager Revella: So, the parking space, the painting guy measures that out for us.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Well maybe he could take a look when he comes to work thanks.

Manager Revella: We have 2 years' worth still to do

Mayor Pearson: Just to remind people of Harvest Fest is September 27, the fishing derby starts at 7:30 at ollie park which is a nice little thing if you have children and want to bring them the rest starts in the square at 11 join us and the community come out for that they put a lot of hard work into that and making it happen again this year.

Deputy Mayor Thompson: Please mention for harvest fest that there is a spelling bee if anyone out there has a child in 5th grade that likes to spell. A little girl won last year that was home schooled and we are going back to having our baking competition muffins are the item. So, any bakers out there you can find on the community council website or village of Walden website.

Mayor Pearson: *So alright so we're moving on, does anyone want to make a motion for an exec session.*

Trustee Kyle: *I'll make a motion.*

Deputy Mayor Thompson: *I'll second.*

Mayor Pearson: *All in favor?*

Aye: *Deputy Mayor Thompson, Trustee Mishk, Trustee Baker, Trustee Kyle.*

Motion to Reconvene: Motion made by Trustee Mishk, Seconded by Trustee Baker, All ayes.

**Motion to Appoint Village Attorney, J & G Law, as Village Counsel by Trustee Mishk
Seconded by Deputy Mayor Thompson, All Ayes**