

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Village of Delhi was held **Tuesday, June 17, 2025** at 6:00 pm at Village Hall.

The meeting started at 5:31 pm at the Street Garage on Depot Street to view the new electric equipment purchased with NYSEDA funding. Daren Evans discussed the benefits of the new equipment. He also discussed the equipment that was purchased with CHIPS funding.

Present: Mayor: Jeffrey Gearhart
Trustees: Jeremy Fitch, Janet Tweed, Ian Lamont and Barbara Sturdevant

Guests: Bill Brown, Elizabeth DeFalco; The Reporter, Daren Evans, Marianne Greenfield, Courtney Heinel, Dave Kopecek, Josh Morgan, Scott Rasmussen and Kristina Zill

The meeting moved back to Village Hall and continued with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR –

Bill Brown reported on the Sewer – he is working with NYS DEC to get the SPEDES permit renewed and is also working with Courtney Heinel on the Order of Consent. Bill is also working on refilling the WIIA grant, the deadline is September 12, 2025. Letters of support and a resolution will be needed. Bill also indicated that he continues work with Jay Decker on the Lead Service Line work – currently there are 40 known lines and 40 unknown lines. Mayor Gearhart stated any lines going under porches, decks or driveways will be redirected. Bill is finalizing the bid package and will have the final bid package ready for the July meeting.

Mayor Gearhart introduced Marianne Greenfield, she will be the shared Historian between the Village of Delhi and Town of Delhi as part of the shared services. Marianne Greenfield reported that she has already done some research on the Village's Court Street cemetery and presented some burial records to the Board. She would like to attend a workshop for Archival Preservation of Municipal Records and would like to be reimbursed for mileage.

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant to reimburse Marianne Greenfield mileage for the workshop. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant to enter executive session for purpose of pending litigation and employment history of a particular employee. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and executive session started at 6:39 pm.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to exit executive session. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and the board went back to open session at 8:51 pm.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to accept Nickolas Guth's letter of resignation. Motion was seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously. Nickolas Guth's last day of work will be August 15, 2025.

Motion was made by Trustee Tweed to give Henry Post 30 days notice to either be terminated or move to the Street Department due to not passing the required 2A Waste Water Treatment Operators Test. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2025 regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant to approve Abstract #013 dated June 17, 2025 in the amount of \$142,808.17 (General fund \$25,281.48, Water fund \$32,206.89, Sewer fund \$60,620.28, Joint Activity fund \$8.40 and Trust & Agency fund \$24,691.12) and Abstract #001 dated June 17, 2025 in the amount of \$121,093.60 (General fund \$87,881.34, Water fund \$983.63 and Sewer fund \$32,228.63). Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant to accept the Police Report dated May 2025, Street Report dated June 2025, Water Report dated 6/12/2025, Sewer Report dated June 11, 2025, Code Enforcement Report 5/14/2025 – 6/12/2025, Treasurers report dated May 2025, and Clerk Report dated June 17, 2025. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Trustee Fitch reported for the **Police Committee**

SUNY Delhi – Memorandum of Understanding – the Chief's name and the date are the only changes. Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to authorize Mayor Gearhart to sign the revised Memorandum of Understanding. Motion was seconded by Trustee Tweed and passed unanimously.

Mayor Gearhart reported for the **Public Works Committee**.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to authorize Jay Decker to make minor adjustments to water usage bills under 1,000 gallons. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

Airgas – Quote #2013474333 – Welder for Sewer: after some discussion, this item was tabled as the Board wanted to more information since the Village already bought a welder to share between the departments.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to approve the Meerkat quote for \$2,115.00 initial treatment then \$250.00 bi-monthly treatment for the Village's Depot Street building. Motion was seconded by Trustee Fitch and passed unanimously.

NPPGov Municipal Listing – Henderson Products: after some discussion, this item was tabled as the Board wanted to more information.

Trustee Sturdevant reported for the **Joint Services Committee**

Fees from other communities for summer recreation: after some discussion, the Board will gather the information and create a seasonal report.

Motion was made by Trustee Sturdevant that usage of the Village parks does not need Board approval. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Mayor Gearhart reported for the **Codes, Building & Planning Committee**.

Bishop building – update – Mayor Gearhart indicated that there have been repairs done to the upstairs and the roof.

Unplug and Play Grant: Mayor Gearhart stated after some discussion with Sean Leddy, this grant is for Community Centers only.

Trustee Sturdevant reported for the **Finance Committee**

Request from Billie Kunzang (11 Franklin Street) regarding village property tax – after some discussion, the Board decided not to take action due to Billie Kunzang not meeting with Mayor Gearhart to discuss her request.

Procurement Policy: after some discussion, this item was tabled. Trustee Lamont will look into what the Village already has for a procurement policy.

OLD BUSINESS

IPAW (Integrated Public Alert and Warning System) – No update.

NEW BUSINESS

Climate Smart Communities – Trustee Tweed indicated that they met on June 12, 2025. Trustee Sturdevant stated the Village will be applying to be a certified community and for bronze status.

NYSERDA Reimbursement: Mayor Gearhart stated the Village has received all of the reimbursement funds.

FedEx Account: Mayor Gearhart discussed the need to start using FedEx to ship water samples. The Post Office is no longer offering overnight delivery. Water samples need to be shipped overnight.

Motion was made by Trustee Lamont to authorize the Clerk to open a FedEx account and start using FedEx for shipping. Motion was seconded by Trustee Sturdevant and passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report

Delaware County Council of Mayors last meeting was 6/11/2025 – next meeting is 7/9/2025.

Motion was made by Trustee Fitch to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Trustee Lamont and passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Ferguson
Village Clerk