

MINUTES  
VILLAGE OF ARKPORT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
\*\*\*\*\*July 18, 2023 \*\*\*\*\*  
6 Park Ave., Arkport, NY

**Meeting was call to order at 7:00pm by Mayor, George Prete.**

**Pledge to the Flag:**

**Roll Call:** Mayor George Prete Trustee Ryan Beers Trustee Mike Brewer  
Trustee Ezra Geist Trustee Patricia Amidon

**Absent Call:** None

We have a quorum of all five members are present, so any business conducted tonight will be legal.

**Others Present:** Theo Holder, Village Clerk; Patty Lupo, Treasurer; William Rusby, Code Enforcement Officer, Barbara Prete-Maker, Steve Peck, Ryan Agency; Bonnie Dungan, Deputy Clerk; Carolyn Wheaton.

Mayor Prete moved the agenda so Steve Peck from Ryan Agency could present his proposal of the insurance for 2023-2024 with the Trident Public Risk Solutions. The policy total premium is \$15,719.25 a small increase due to the new truck that was purchased and the valuation of the buildings due to inflation.

**M8** Motion made by Trustee Brewer, seconded by Trustee Geist to accept the Trident Insurance Premium of \$15,719.25 for the year 2023 – 2024 as presented. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Barbara Maker addressed the Board members about considering an ordinance on Solar Farms and to take in consideration the possibility of solar farms being placed in the Village of Arkport. Barbara is against a Solar Farm being placed in the community and would like the Planning Board to take into consideration of ruining the property value of many homes. They have been coming into Canaseraga and ruined the view and land for many home owners.

Bill Rusby, Code Officer injected that the power that is produce from the Solar Farms would not stay in our area and the land is no longer useable after they are taken down. Con-x lithium batteries are now being stored in containers that a computer is moderating the batteries that can catch on fire. The fire departments do not have the skill or equipment to put these fires out.

Trustee Beers asked if there was anyway the Village could zone the area against the use of solar farms and storage containers. Discussion followed.

Mayor Prete asked Bill Rusby if there was a sign ordinance in the Village of Arkport. Permission needs to be given by code officer and permit. Signs need to be taken down after 30 days after the advent.

Trustee Brewer stated to Bill Rusby, code officer that Julio's Scrap & Hauling Service has not been cleaned up there is still is a lot of debris in the yard.

**Approval of Minutes:** No corrections or additions made to the minutes of the June 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

**M7** Motion made by Trustee Amidon, seconded by Trustee Geist, to approve the minutes of the, June 20, 2023 Regular Board Meeting as presented. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**DPW/Water Department** –Logan Sliter – Absent –

**Treasurer** – Patricia Lupo – Profit and loss reports for July 2023. General Fund income was \$109,346.82 and expenses were \$33,936.77. Water Fund income was \$1,087.04 and expenses were \$6,092.30.

**M2** Motion was made by Trustee Geist, seconded by Trustee Beers, to approve the Treasurer’s Profit and Loss Reports for July 2023 for the General Fund and Water Fund as distributed and reviewed. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Abstract #2 Expenses for July 2023:**

General Fund	\$ 33,936.77	Vouchers and PR	#22 thru 46
Water Fund	\$ 6,092.30	Vouchers and PR	# 9 thru 15
Total	\$40,029.07		

**M3** Motion made by Trustee Beers, seconded by Trustee Geist, to approve ratification of Abstract #12 as presented. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**New Business:** Newsletter will be mailed on July 31,2023

**Committee Reports:**

**Trustee Brewer** - Some of the signs in the Village need to be replaced, that they are in bad shape. Yield signs on Henry Street and Meadow Brook need replacing, the colors have faded.

**Trustee Amidon** - Stated that she got a call on the gates to the park were not up. Patty Amidon stated that the side by sides are going fast again.

**Trustee Geist** – Everything looks great.

**Next Board Meeting date will be August 15, 2023**

**M Motion** made by Trustee Amidon, seconded by Trustee Brewer to adjourn, at 8:04. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theo Jane Holder  
Village Clerk

STATE OF NEW YORK    }  
COUNTY OF STEUBEN   }

I, Theo Jane Holder, the undersigned clerk of the Village of Arkport, do hereby certify as follows:

1. A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Village of Arkport, Steuben County, State of New York, was held on February 21, 2023 and said meeting has been duly recorded in the Minutes Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the minutes of meetings of said Village Board.
2. Said Minutes correctly state the time and place when said Meeting was convened and the Board Members present.
3. Public notice of the time and place of said Meeting was duly posted and duly given to the public and the news media in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, constituting Chapter 511 of the Laws of 1976 of the State of New York, and that all members of said Village Board had due notice of said Meetings and that the Meeting was in all respects duly held and a quorum was present and acted throughout.
4. In WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have affixed the corporate seal of the Village of Arkport this day of March 14, 2023 as approved by the Board.

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Arkport Village Clerk

**Budget Workshop Meeting:** March 10, 2022 at 6:00pm.  
**Next Board Meeting Date:** March 22, 2022

**M56** Motion made by Mayor Dugo, seconded by Trustee Geist, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 7:35pm. Roll call. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Village Clerk

STATE OF NEW YORK     }  
COUNTY OF STEUBEN    }

I, Theo Jane Holder, the undersigned clerk of the Village of Arkport, do hereby certify as follows:

1. A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, Village of Arkport, Steuben County, State of New York, was held on February 15, 2022 and said meeting has been duly recorded in the Minutes Book kept by me in accordance with law for the purpose of recording the minutes of meetings of said Village Board.
2. Said Minutes correctly state the time and place when said Meeting was convened and the Board Members present.
3. Public notice of the time and place of said Meeting was duly posted and duly given to the public and the news media in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, constituting Chapter 511 of the Laws of 1976 of the State of New York, and that all members of said Village Board had due notice of said Meetings and that the Meeting was in all respects duly held and a quorum was present and acted throughout.
4. In WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have affixed the corporate seal of the Village of Arkport this th day of February 16, 2022 as approved by the Board.

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Arkport Village Clerk



