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Christina Charuk, Mayor
Deputy Mayor John Walker
Trustee Clark Giblin Trustee Mary Jacyna Trustee Lori Thorn

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Johnson City Village Board held in the Village Hall Board Room, 60 Lester Avenue, Johnson City, NY on Tuesday, July 21, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

Present:	Christina Charuk, Mayor John Walker, Deputy Mayor Mary Jacyna, Trustee Lori Thorn, Trustee
Absent:	Clark Giblin, Trustee
Also Present:	Mark Skinner, Legal Counsel Kim Cunningham, Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Christina Charuk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Charuk thanked everyone for coming, advised the meeting attendants where the fire exits are and took roll call.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

[1] JC Rotary Carousel Day to be held Saturday, July 25th at CFJ Park from 11:00am to 4:00pm.
[2] The next Planning Board Meeting will be Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 7:30pm with a work session at 7:00pm in the Johnson City Village Hall Board Room.
[3] The next Zoning Board Meeting will be Monday, August 17, 2026 at 6:30pm with a work session at 6:00pm in the Johnson City Village Hall Board Room.
[4] The next regular Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday, August 18, 2026 at 7:30pm with a work session at 6:00pm in the Johnson City Village Hall Board Room.
[5] Ukrainian Independence Day Flag Raising will be August 23, 2026 at People's Park at 12:30pm to honor the 35th anniversary of Ukrainian Independence at the request of the Ukrainian National Women's League of America who provided a flag for the event.
[6] Workers Park Ribbon Cutting is tentatively set for August 26, 2026.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

[1] June 16, 2026 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes

[2] June 16, 2026 Village Board Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes
[3] July 7, 2026 Village Board Special Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes 4.1 through 4.3 and place them on file was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

BIDS – None

PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

PETITIONS RECEIVED – None

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS

Mayor Charuk opened the privilege of the floor. She advised if anyone would like to address the Board, please line up at the podium and if they would like to state their name and address and if they have a prepared statement, please address it to the Clerk-Treasurer. She advised the attendees the Board follows Roberts Rules of Order and any speaker can address the Board for up to five minutes and asked everyone to respect the decorum policy of the Village.

Jeremy Hauze – Ackley Avenue

Discussed Resolution 162. He stated that is related to the non-point source planning grant for the Cloverleaf Fire Retention Project. He was not privy to this exact one, but he was in a meeting with Allison where she discussed similar projects, and he said this is probably part of a larger project related to stormwater retention and diversion in the area because of the highway being there that causes a large amount of potentially contaminated water to flow off that needs to be properly absorbed into the ground otherwise it gets into the groundwater. It also has some impacts because those hard surfaces could be a flooding impact for the Village, and because of Choconut Creek going through the area, that area is already partially a flood risk. Usually, for a bio retention project of this sort, it would be the type of thing where they would go through, they would remove some of the soil, they would be putting in permeable soil designed to, over a set period of time get the expected amount of rainwater and have it properly drain into the earth. And the plants that are planted on top of it are part of a larger project there to help with the filtration. Usually, it's varieties that are chosen specifically for the area for the absorption of many of the pollutants that would be common from road runoff, which you're usually talking about asphalt issues, you're talking about rubber contaminants, heavy metals, very commonly. So usually, this kind of project would be a one-two punch of getting those pollutants properly absorbed in a timely fashion before it gets to the rest of the groundwater in the area. In addition to that, being one of many small mitigating factors for potentially larger scale flooding issues that that area is probably prone to. The only other thing that he could add on that is that usually there is some upkeep associated with those projects. The biggest two would be eventually, besides normal stuff, you're going to get pooling that will happen, and that will need to have some of the set or the filtration media replaced when that happens irregularly, maybe once every few years at most. And plants will usually need to get pruned twice a year for that. He wanted to provide some content because he knows that grant has to be approved now timely.

Kelly Pennay, corner of Union and Columbus Place - He explained his situation regarding water runoff during the storm. He's right on a corner, and the driveway above his, the blacktop has been ramped up into the driveway, so when the water comes down that it hits that ramp and it jumps this high and it splits. Half

goes down the road; half comes down the sidewalk. He has a video he can show the Board. In the winter time, with the freeze and the thaw and freeze and the thaw, it comes down around the corner and it pulls right in front of his stairs and the public sidewalk. He cannot get rid of that ice in the winter time, and if somebody comes and goes down there, they're going to be knocking on my door. He feels as if the ramp up wasn't there, it would be okay. It would definitely cut what's coming down the sidewalk in half, if not more.

Joseph Picalila – Albert St.

Johnson City rose the flag for pride on May 31. He thanked the elected officials who attended. He hopes the event next year is more attended.

He thanked DPW and all those involved for the drug bust, that took harmful substances off the street and also gave gratitude to DPW regarding the water main break, for the speed and quality of the work performed. Mr. Picalila read the prepared statement below:

Joe Picalila, concerned US citizen who is residing in the Village of Johnson City --
Mayor, Trustees...

I come before you tonight to share that, just like all of you, I also once took an oath to defend the Constitution. The US Constitution, and the Amendments thereof, represent the governance structure of our nation, and also deliniate quite clearly the freedoms we enjoy. I will now read the 5th Amendment, and Section 1 of the 14th Amendment. Any emphasis will be my own.

Fifth Amendment

NO PERSON shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall **ANY PERSON** be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without **DUE PROCESS OF LAW**; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Fourteenth Amendment Section 1

All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive **ANY PERSON** of life, liberty, or property, without **DUE PROCESS OF LAW**; nor deny to **ANY PERSON** within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Due Process, in short, is a fundamental guarantee that governments of all sizes, from Village to Federal, follow fair and established rules and cannot arbitrarily act against people.

The wording of "Any Person" is used. It is used in the same paragraph such as terms like "citizen" but it is because of that proximity that it's meant to imply that "citizen" and "any person" are not interchangeable. They are put in together deliberately to show that these are different concepts, without modifiers or qualifiers. "Any Person" therefore in these Constitutional Amendments, is the simplest definition you can conjure.

The reason I bring this up is because in the Village Board meeting on February 3rd I asked for the Trustees to consider the Resident First Resolution (27 of 2026) the Mayor had brought forward regarding federal immigration officers. "Consider" implied thought, discussion, and a vote. There was none. There was none despite residents asking for it. Resolution 27, approved by the Chief of Police mind you, was a great step in doing something, ANYTHING -- rather than doing nothing. The City of Buffalo's passed resolution, with edits to say "Village" and "Johnson City" was also brought forward, to no avail. I have that with me again.

ICE is in our Village. It is in our collective communities. They are targeting people who live in and work in the Village. There have been many alleged reports, videos, photographs, and sightnings of DHS vehicles and people being kidnapped into SUVs. People who had legal rights to be here, who asked to obtain their papers mere feet away in their trucks and were denied. I once asked for change. I once advised for change. Now I come here demanding change, and demanding that doing something is better than doing nothing. Allow the passage of a resolution to limit ICE cooperation that has been already passed in so many municipalities, Binghamton included, across the country and state. This is not radical policy. It is responsible policy.

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Mr. Picalila's suggested Resolution is attached to the end of the minutes.

Nick Cordisco - Owns property across from America's Attic on Harry L Drive -

He advised there has been quite a lot of thefts done over the last five or six years in that area. Questions whether there can be a remote camera put in the general area because there's been catalytic converters stolen from more than one vehicle, batteries that were stored that were stolen, tires magically show up in the back of the car lot that he has to pay to get rid of. In his personal vehicles, he has had two plates stolen. They've been reported to the police and they haven't found them, so he took the other two plates because they're still legal. They still have insurance on them, and recently was two weeks ago a guy that lives in 313 had an e-bike stolen. He asked if there could be a remote camera somewhere so he can find out who's doing this? Some of the cars he had to take to the to the junkyard because the catalytics cost more than what the vehicles were worth, and it's been going on for quite a few years.

Mayor Charuk suggested Mr. Cordisco consider getting a personal camera.

Gary Andrews, North Street – read prepared statement which is below:

Village Board Meeting — Tuesday, July 21, 2026
Privilege of the Floor — Questions for the Mayor from Gary Andrews

Prelude: Mayor, you've repeatedly said transparency was one of the biggest failures of the prior administration. In keeping with your emphasis on transparency, I have a few questions:

1. Property Tax Bill

Question 1(a): Regarding the recent property tax billing error — did you receive a 2026 Property Tax Bill from the Village of Johnson City — yes or no?

Question 1(b): Do you own real property in the Village of Johnson City — yes or no?

If "No" — Question 1(c): Do you own real property anywhere in Broome County — yes or no?

[If silence at any point — proceed to the next prepared question.]

Mayor Charuk stated FOIL it.

2. April 20th Facebook Post

In your April 20th post on your 'Christina Charuk For Johnson City Mayor' Facebook page concerning a disturbing letter you received, you stated the sender of that letter was 'anonymous', that the matter had been 'reported,' and you wrote — quote — 'let's call it what it is — patriarchal bullying' — unquote.

Question 2(a): By 'reported,' do you mean reported to law enforcement — yes or no?

Question 2(b): Given that the sender remains unidentified, was your characterization of 'patriarchal bullying' based on information you subsequently received from law enforcement, or was it your own personal opinion?

I'll note for the record either the answer given, or that the question was not answered.

3. Availability

How many days per week are you here at the Village office?

Mayor Charuk advised this is a public comment period, not a question and answer. She confirmed the letter was patriarchal bullying.

Jeremy Lasda – Stated there are four resolutions he wished to talk about today.

Resolutions 151 to 152, he would like to give a heartfelt congratulations to the two men who are being considered for promotion within the fire department.

Resolutions 153 and 154, the appointment of the two probationary fire firefighters and their expected budgetary constraints that come with them, though truthfully that is no fault of their own. The board was so close to being unable to balance this year's budget, and the fire department contract and pay is very publicly known to be no small part of that issue. The budget is tight, so tight that there is no wiggle room, and this is the time to recoup some of that budget for emergencies. The fact is that the fire department's contract and pay is getting closer and closer to bringing this village into dissolvement. What about your children, your friends' children, the ones who work here, the ones who work at the fire department? What about the men and women in this room who work for the fire department? Well, where will they go if this contract eats everything? He asked that the Board postpone these two appointments to a day when your budget allows more fiscal freedom. Maybe next year, maybe the following year, depending on what happens. But not put that these people's careers at risk, unless of course you truly don't care about the budget.

Michael Taylor, Reynolds Road. He was wearing sleeves because the field behind the Oakdale Arms, located directly across from the school, is standing water. He believes it is owned by Johnson City. Unfortunately, he has to wear longer clothing to avoid the fact that when he goes back there, even walking around a little bit, his feet sink into the high grass there. He notes the aspects like malaria and mosquito buildup. He asked if there's a possibility that that field back there might be mowed, given the ability to penetrate into the ground and possibly soak up the water that's down there because right now it's a breeding ground for bugs and mosquitoes. He thanked the Board for their time.

Bob Blakeslee, Colville Ave – He stated when you equate life safety to dollars and cents, that's where he is disconnected. The only thing that he can relate it to is when he stood in his front yard and did CPR on his three-year-old daughter, and heard sirens before he got off the phone with 911, there isn't enough money in the world

that could have replaced that. And his daughter is going to be 12 years old, and she's still here with us. We live in Johnson City because we know from our own life, somebody's going to come.

Mayor closed the privilege of the floor

COMMUNICATIONS

A motion to accept and file the following Communications was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

[1] Correspondence from Joeseph Harendza regarding review of water/sewer bills for 271 N. Harrison Street.
[2] Correspondence from Asif Rahman regarding a lawn cutting bill in the amount of $122.00 for 233 Grand Avenue.
[3] Correspondence from Ayesha Begum regarding garbage removal fee in the amount of $560.00 for 36 Burbank Avenue.

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the Committee and Board Reports was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Walker. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

[1] Binghamton/Johnson City Joint Sewage Board Reports for June 30, 2026

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A motion to accept and file the Department Reports was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

[1] Police Department monthly report for June 2026
[2] Police Department Overtime Report for June 4, 2026 – June 17, 2026
[3] Police Department Overtime Report for July 2, 2026 – July 15, 2026
[4] Fire Department Overtime Report for June 4, 2026 – June 17, 2026
[5] Fire Department Overtime Report for June 18, 2026 – July 1, 2026
[6] Fire Department Overtime Report for July 2, 2026 – July 15, 2026

PAYROLL AND BILLS PRESENTED

A motion to approve Abstract #2 of the 2026 - 2027 Fiscal bills as stated and or amended and attached to the work session minutes and recorded as part of the work session minutes, having been audited by the Board and approved with the amendments, was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 5 (Thorn, Jacyna, Giblin, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 0

GENERAL FUND	$1,520,364.64
WATER FUND	$268,515.25
SEWER FUND	$2,494,686.59
REFUSE FUND	$147,068.66
VARPUR	$29,180.47
SPECIAL GRANT	$0
DEBT SERVICE	$2,608,762.54
CAPITAL	$274,817.12

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution 136 of 2026

A motion to forgive portion of water bill for hydrant-related charges in the amount of $6298.40 to Dave Drew, 400 Riverside Dr was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 1 (Walker) Nays – 3 (Thorn, Jacyna, Charuk) Absent – 1 (Giblin)

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCE & RULES

Resolution 146 of 2026

A motion to authorize free parking in the Main Street corridor from the Isabelle Lot to Jennison Street, including Broad Street, Willow Street, Lewis Street, North Broad Street, Avenue D, Avenue C, Avenue B, and Avenue A and all Municipal Lots on Fridays and Saturdays, commencing July 24, 2026 through September 26, 2026 was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Mayor Charuk advised Binghamton is doing Saturdays. We are going to do Fridays and Saturdays. This is just through September 26th in an effort to support downtown businesses.

Resolution 147 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Mayor or her designee to sign utility easement to NYSEG across Tax Map No's 143.57-2-34 and 143.57-2-36 in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A in accordance with Village Law §1-102 was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Mayor Charuk stated this is to allow NYSEG to come onto village property to string some wires to the old fire station.

Resolution 148 of 2026

A motion to forgive a portion of the April 2026 water bill and a portion of the July water bill to Joeseph Harendza, 271 N. Harrison Street was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 149 of 2026

A motion to forgive lawn cutting charge in the amount of $122.00 to Asif Rahman, 233 Grand Avenue was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 150 of 2026

A motion to forgive garbage removal fee in the amount of $560.00 to Ayesha Begum, 36 Burbank Avenue was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Failed – Vote:

Ayes – 0 Nays – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 168 of 2026

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

RESOLUTION INTRODUCING A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW

WHEREAS, a local law entitled "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE ZONING LAW OF THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CITY TO ESTABLISH A HEALTH CARE, RESEARCH AND EDUCATION OVERLAY DISTRICT" was introduced at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board desires to hold a public hearing with respect to the adoption of said Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing shall be held by the Village Board of the Village of Johnson City with respect to the adoption of the aforesaid Local Law on **August 18, 2026 at 7:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as may be heard; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause public notice of said hearing to be given as provided by law.

Discussion: Mayor Charuk stated this is a resolution introducing a proposed law, and we are just calling for a public comment. This has to do with the necessary green space in the downtown area. Trustee Walker added this is just to set public hearing for August 18th at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE

Resolution 151 of 2026

A motion to appoint Firefighter Kevin Madden to the position of Fire Lieutenant, at the negotiated salary per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, from Broome County Civil Service List #76-306, effective July 23, 2026 was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Trustee Walker notes this is to fill a position that somebody retired.

Resolution 152 of 2026

A motion to appoint Lieutenant Joshua Owen to the position of Fire Captain, at the negotiated salary per the Collective Bargaining Agreement, from Broome County Civil Service List #76-313, effective July 23, 2026was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 153 of 2026

A motion to appoint Kyle Novobilski to the position of probationary firefighter, at the negotiated salary per the collective bargaining agreement from list #60038910, pending the completion of the required physical, effective July 23, 2026 was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 3 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker) Nays – 1 (Charuk) Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Mayor Charuk advised she'd like to note that, per the fire department contract,

which the board reviewed before her term, new hires do begin at a rate of about $40,000 which will scale to about $84,000 at the end of their fourth year. This is, of course, before the 3% mandatory raise the village negotiated for these positions, so that puts that at about $98,000 not including benefits that they are, of course, entitled to and retirement costs that the village will be paying for decades to come. She has included these resolutions on the agenda so that they can receive their due consideration. But she remains concerned that through the budget process we faced a nearly $2 million deficit, and so she would strongly recommend against the additional personnel costs of about $200,000 to $300,000 at this time.

Resolution 154 of 2026

A motion to appoint Bradley Neferis to the position of probationary firefighter, at the negotiated salary per the collective bargaining agreement from list #60038910, pending the completion of the required physical, effective July 23, 2026 was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Walker.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 3 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker) Nays – 1 (Charuk) Absent – 1 (Giblin)

POLICE

Resolution 155 of 2026

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

WHEREAS, the State of New York has introduced the Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1); therefore

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Village Board of the Village of Johnson City that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A: (a) Only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution 156 of 2026

A motion to approve a $20,000 stipend to Randy Shear for taking on additional duties of the Director of Public Services was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Thorn.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Mayor Charuk noted Mr. Shear has been stepping up and taking on any additional duties, and to that we are very grateful.

Resolution 157 of 2026

A motion to approve a one-time seasonal stipend payment of $2,000.00 to Kim Cunningham for the performance of seasonal duties related to the summer park staff, due to the absence of an account clerk in the Public Works Department was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Mayor Charuk stated This is just an additional stipend for all of the park's duties that fall on Kim, and we are also grateful.

Resolution 158 of 2026

A motion to appoint Levi Hardy to the position of DPW Probationary Laborer at a salary of $21.4460 per hour effective, August 6, 2026. This appointment is contingent upon the successful completion of a background investigation and the required pre-employment drug screening was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 159 of 2026

A motion to appoint Jordan Bourgeois to the position of Clerk in the Department of Public Works Office, effective July 23, 2026, at a salary of $34,807.50, contingent upon the completion of a successful background check and approval from Broome County Civil Service was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Trustee Walker said this is to replace Public Works office clerk. The previous clerk did not meet the requirements during this probationary period.

Resolution 160 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Fairview Recovery Services to host a recovery celebration on Saturday, September 12, 2025 from 11:00 am – 3:00 pm at CFJ Park with the Fairview Recovery Services being responsible for the park's facility use application, naming the Village as an additional insured for events on their liability insurance, providing the Village with a copy of same and if there are traffic control issues and/or police officers are needed they will be the responsibility of the Fairview Recovery Services was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Thorn.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 161 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Two Rivers Church to host a children's sports camp from Monday, August 24, 2026 through August 28, 2026 from 4:30 pm – 8:30 pm at Boland Park with the Two Rivers Church being responsible for the park's facility use application, naming the Village as an additional insured for events on their liability insurance and providing the Village with a copy of same was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT

Resolution 162 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Mayor to accept the Non-Point Source Planning Grant award of $50,000 and execute a Grant Disbursement Agreement with NYS DEC to complete an engineering study for the Cloverleaf Bioretention Project was held over by Trustee Walker.

Discussion: Mayor Charuk advised this is an engineering study for the cloverleaf off of 201 for things that Jeremy Hauze mentioned earlier.
Trustee Walker said he can't vote for something that is on state property in state right of way for Route 17 that the village is going to have to pay funding to get an engineering study done. He would say that we hold it over until we get complete clarification from the state that it wouldn't cost our taxpayers any money to do an engineering study. It's state land. The state wants to do it, and they should be mandated to pay for it.

Resolution 163 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Community Development Administrator to nominate 19 Avenue B to the

2027-2028 Preservation League of NYS Seven to Save program for technical assistance and grant support was made by Trustee Walker and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 164 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Community Development Administrator to release a Request for Proposals to hire consultant to complete an engineering study for the Cloverleaf Bioretention Project was held over by Mayor Charuk and Trustee Walker.

Resolution 165 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Community Development Administrator to release a Request for Proposals to hire a contractor to complete interior masonry work at the Training Facility was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 166 of 2026

A motion to authorize the Community Development Administrator to release a Request for Qualifications for Architectural and Engineering services to establish an eligible contractor list for the Downtown Revitalization Initiative Small Project Fund was made by Trustee Jacyna and seconded by Trustee Thorn.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Resolution 167 of 2026

A motion to authorize a five percent increase ($2,228.15) in salary for 2026 with retro-pay dating back to June 1st 2026, for the Community Development Administrator per the terms of the Personal Services Agreement was made by Trustee Thorn and seconded by Trustee Jacyna.

Motion Carried – Vote:

Ayes – 4 (Thorn, Jacyna, Walker, Charuk) Nays – 0 Absent – 1 (Giblin)

Discussion: Mayor Charuk confirmed this is a salary for the Community Development Administrator, whose contract was due in June.

JOINT SEWAGE TREATMENT BOARD – No new business

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Christina Charuk thanked all attendees for coming and adjourned the meeting at 8:26pm.

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Kim Cunningham
Village Clerk/Treasurer

Recordings of the Village Board meetings and work sessions are available for review through the Village Clerk/Treasurer's Office.

RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE USE OF VILLAGE PERSONNEL OR RESOURCES FOR FEDERAL CIVIL IMMIGRATION PURPOSES AND STRENGTHENING THE VILLAGE'S COMMITMENT TO ENSURE THE SAFETY, DIGNITY AND LEGAL PROTECTIONS OF ALL VILLAGE RESIDENTS, REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS OR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

WHEREAS, generations of immigrants from all over the world have uniquely enriched and revitalized our beloved Home of the Square Deal,

WHEREAS, the expansion of federal civil immigration enforcement and detention practices seek to undermine community trust, harm vulnerable populations, and deter residents from engaging with village personnel and seeking services,

WHEREAS, civil immigration enforcement is solely the responsibility of the federal government, and the use of local resources for that purpose diverts time, energy, assets, and personnel from critical municipal services,

WHEREAS, the Village of Johnson City commits to upholding the safety, dignity, and legal protections of all residents, visitors, patrons, or others regardless of immigration status or country of origin, and ensuring that our village government is not used to target or intimidate residents,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Prohibition on Use of Village Resources for Federal Civil Immigration Enforcement

No funds, property, equipment, processes, or personnel of the Village of Johnson City shall be used to assist or cooperate with any federal civil immigration authority if the basis for such assistance or cooperation is federal civil immigration enforcement.

2. Nondiscrimination

(1) All Village of Johnson City services shall be provided without regard to immigration status, (2) no Village of Johnson City personnel shall condition access to programs or services on proof of citizenship or immigration status, and (3) no individual shall be subjected to different procedures, policies and practices based solely on actual or suspected citizenship or immigration status; except, in each case, where necessary to administer a public program or service, or where required by law.

3. Information Collection and Interpreters

No Village of Johnson City personnel shall (1) ask about or collect the citizenship, the immigration status, or the country of origin of any individual when performing city services or work, or (2) provide any federal civil immigration authority with access to databases or records not otherwise available to the public, including databases or records containing identity or location information; except, in each case, where necessary to administer a public program or service, or where required to comply with law, a valid judicial warrant, subpoena or court order. Village of Johnson City personnel shall not use federal immigration officers as interpreters for any purpose.

4. Prohibition on Access to Individuals and Facilities

Village of Johnson City personnel shall not provide any federal immigration authority conducting civil immigration enforcement access to individuals or to facilities not otherwise available to the general public, unless presented with a valid judicial warrant or as required by law.

5. Prohibition on Assisting with Federal Civil Immigration Enforcement

No department, board, agency, commission, or division of the Village of Johnson City shall participate in federal civil immigration enforcement, whether by investigating immigration or citizenship status, performing or supporting the civil enforcement functions of a federal civil immigration officer, entering into a formal or informal cooperation agreement with federal immigration authorities to enforce federal civil immigration law, or otherwise.

6. Protection of Due Process Rights

Every department, board, agency, commission, and division of the Village of Johnson City shall protect the due process rights of individuals in their custody who are subject to immigration detainers or requests from federal civil immigration authorities, and shall not hold, detain, transport, or transfer custody of an individual solely based on (1) an individual's citizenship or immigration status, (2) an immigration detainer, (3) a request to notify, transfer, interview, or interrogate, or (4) an administrative warrant issued by federal immigration authorities.

7. Reporting on Requests from Federal Civil Immigration Authorities

The head of each department, board, agency, commission, and division of the Village of Johnson City is hereby directed to track immigration detainer, notification, transfer, interview, or interrogation requests from federal civil immigration authorities and share the compiled records with the Mayor on an annual basis.

8. Implementation of This Order

The head of each department, board, agency, commission, and division of the Village of Johnson City is hereby directed to take immediate action to implement and comply with the orders set forth above, including the clarification of internal policies, distribution of guidelines, and facilitation of training.

9. Scope of This Order

Nothing in this order shall prohibit or prevent local law enforcement agencies or any other officer, employee, or agent in any department, board, agency, commission, or division of the Village of Johnson City from complying with local, state or federal law (**including 8 U.S.C. § 1373**); rendering aid to a person in distress; enforcing criminal laws; investigating criminal activity; or engaging in law enforcement work other than federal civil immigration enforcement.

10. Severability

If any clause, section, paragraph or part of this Resolution or the application thereof is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

This resolution shall take effect immediately, and shall remain in effect unless specifically revoked, revised, or superseded by a subsequently issued resolution.