# VILLAGE OF TUXEDO PARK BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING JULY 7, 2025 7:00 P.M. MINUTES

Present: Mayor Marc D. Citrin

Deputy Mayor Michele Lindsay Trustee Joshua Scherer (via Zoom)

Trustee Matthew Tinari Trustee Jedediah Turner

Clerk: Elizabeth A. Doherty

Village Attorney: Ian R. Connett, Esq. (Harris Beach, PLLC) via Zoom

Attendees: No members of the public were present at Village Hall and approximately

two people attended via Zoom.

Mayor Citrin called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

# **SECTIONS:**

#### 1. APPOINTMENTS – BOARD POSITIONS

Trustee Michele Lindsay	Deputy Mayor	December 7, 2026
Trustee Michele Lindsay	Budget Director	One and a Half Years
Trustee Matthew Tinari	Deputy Budget Director	One and a Half Years

#### 2. APPOINTMENTS – PROPERTY TAX BOARDS

Board of Trustees	Board of Assessors	One and a Half Years
Board of Trustees	Grievance Board	One and a Half Years
John Ledwith	Advisor to the Property Tax Boards	One and a Half Years

#### 3. APPOINTMENTS – APPOINTED BOARDS: CHAIRS

Stefanie Rinza	BAR Acting Chair	December 6, 2027
William Mincey	BAR Member	December 7, 2026

Tom Bermingham	BAR Member	December 2, 2030
Rob McQuilken	BAR Member	December 4, 2028
Christopher Gow	BAR Member	December 3, 2029
Jake Lindsay	BZA Chair	December 3, 2029
Campbell Langdon	BZA Member	Holdover
Charlotte Worthy	BZA Member	December 7, 2026
David Christensen	BZA Member	December 6, 2027
Nancy Hays	BZA Member	December 4, 2028
Jay Reichgott	PB Chair	December 3, 2029
Vacant	PB Member	December 2, 2030
Richard Witte	PB Member	December 7, 2026
Jeremy Kidde	PB Member	December 4, 2028
Vacant	PB Member	December 6, 2027

# 4. APPOINTMENTS - VILLAGE COMMITTEES: CHAIRS AND TRUSTEE LIAISONS

Deputy Mayor Lindsay	Capital Planning Committee	One and a Half Years
JoAnn Hanson	Chair	One and a Half Years
Jim Hays, Chair	Climate Smart Committee	One and a Half Years
Mayor Marc D. Citrin	Tree Advisory Board	One and a Half Years
Christopher Gow	Chair	One and a Half Years
Trustee Joshua Scherer	Village Trails	One and a Half Years
Sally Sonne	Co-Chair	One and a Half Years
Jeremy Kidde	Co-Chair	One and a Half Years
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Trustee Joshua Scherer	Village Lakes	One and a Half Years
Jim Hays	Chair	One and a Half Years
Deputy Mayor Lindsay	Tuxedo Reserve	One and a Half Years
Trustee Matthew Tinari	Wee Wah Park & Beach Club	One and a Half Years
Caty Mullins	Chair	One and a Half Years
Mayor Marc D. Citrin	Welcome (New Residents)	One and a Half Years
Bryna Pomp	Co-Chair	One and a Half Years
Vacant	Co-Chair	One and a Half Years

Trustee Jedediah Turner	J	One and a Half Years
	Chair & Trustee Liaison	

# 5. APPOINTMENTS: OTHER

Deputy Mayor Michele Lindsay	Town Issues, Town Council and Board of Education	One and a Half Years
Mayor Citrin	St. Mary's in Tuxedo Episcopal Church	One and a Half Years
TBD	The Tuxedo Club	One and a Half Years
Trustee Matthew Tinari	Tuxedo Park School	One and a Half Years
TBD	Village Fire Inspector	One and a Half Years
Gardiner Hempel	Fire Commissioner	2027
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Todd Yannuzzi	Supervising Lake Warden	One and a Half Years
Gregory Libby	Lake Warden (Tuxedo Lake)	One and a Half Years
Jedediah Turner	Lake Warden (Pond No. 3)	One and a Half Years
Elizabeth Cotnoir	Lake Warden (Wee Wah Lake)	One and a Half Years

# 6. VILLAGE EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTMENTS

VILLAGE OFFICE		
Elizabeth Doherty	Village Clerk	December 6, 2027
	Village Treasurer	December 6, 2027
	Keeper of Records	December 6, 2027
Denise Spalthoff	Deputy Clerk-Treasurer	One and a Half Years
	Utility Clerk (Water & Sewer)	One and a Half Years
	Assistant to the Police Department	One and a Half Years
John Ledwith	Building and Land Use Officer	One and a Half Years
	Capital Projects	One and a Half Years
	Advisor to the BOT	One and a Half Years
	BAR / PB / BZA Advisor & Liaison	One and a Half Years
	DPW Inventory	One and a Half Years

POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Allen Faust	Chief of Police	Contractual
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Christopher Fury	Police Officer – Full-time	Union
Max Sirrine	Police Officer – Full-time	Union
Daniel Sutherland	Police Officer – Full-time	Union
James Ascione	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Stefan Christian	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Brendan Eirand	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Jacob Goldstein	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Erik Johnson	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Neil Kassel	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Rodney Krinke	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Brian Levy	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Timothy Lowry	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Johnny Motz	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Greg Panzarella	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Joseph Panzica	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Kenneth Sanford	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Scott Vecchio	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
Jessica Wigfall	Police Officer – Part-time	At Will
DEPARTMENT OF PUBL	IC WORKS	
Jeff Voss	DPW Superintendent	One and a Half Years
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John Bello	Water/Sewer Plant Operator	Union
Albert J. Bolger	Motor Equipment Operator	Union
Aidan Brown	Motor Equipment Operator	Union
Ryan Burns	Motor Equipment Operator	Union
Daniel Squillini	Working Foreman/Leader	Union
VILLAGE COURT		
David Hasin, Esq.	Village Justice (Elected)	December 3, 2029
Stephanie Staal, Esq.	Associate Village Justice	December 7, 2026

Village employee salaries are on file with the Village Clerk-Treasurer and available to the public through the FOIA.

# 7. APPOINTMENTS: VILLAGE PROFESSIONALS

Cooper Arias LLP (Andrew Arias)	Accountants for the Village	One and a Half Years
Harris Beach PLLC (Jared Kasschau, Esq.)	Attorney for the BOT	One and a Half Years
Harris Beach PLLC (TBD)	Attorney for the BAR	One and a Half Years
Naughton & Torre	Attorney for the PB	August 31, 2025
Law Office of Alyse Terhune (Alyse Terhune, Esq.)	Attorney for the BZA	One and a Half Years
Harris Beach PLLC (Jeffrey E. Storch)	Bond Counsel	One and a Half Years
Munistat Services, Inc. (Noah Nadelson)	Bond Advisor	One and a Half Years
Weston & Sampson Engineers (Joe Zongol)	Village Engineers	One and a Half Years
Travelers	Insurance Carrier	One and a Half Years
Marshall & Sterling (Stephen Kalmus)	Insurance Agent	One and a Half Years
GEI Consultants, Inc. (A.J. Reyes)	Lake Manager	One and a Half Years
Solitude Lakes Management (Bob Schindler)	Lakes Treatment	Contractual
The Pond and Lake Connection	Lakes Treatment	Contractual

# Village Committees and Trustee Liaisons Resolution 0707-01

On a motion made by Mayor Citrin, seconded by Trustee Turner, it was resolved to approve the appointments to the Village committees, including the Chairs and Trustee Liaisons, for a period

of one and a half years through first Monday in December 2026.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

# Village Employees and Appointments Resolution 0707-02

On a motion made by Mayor Citrin, seconded by Trustee Turner, it was resolved to approve the appointments of all Village employees.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

## Village Professionals Resolution 0707-03

On a motion made by Mayor Citrin, seconded by Trustee Tinari, it was resolved to approve the appointments of the Village professionals.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

**8.** The Board of Trustees approves that the appointed board member hold-over appointments are exempt from the term limits Local Law #3 of 2006.

#### 9. OFFICIAL UNDERTAKINGS AND INSURANCE

Employee Theft Coverage-\$500,000 per loss (not per employee) subject to a \$5,000

deductible; Clerk-Treasurer – additional of \$1,000,000; and Deputy Clerk is also additional \$1,000,000. Computer & Funds Transfer Fraud- \$500,000 each subject to a \$5,000 deductible

#### 10. OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Times Herald Record Newspaper of Record One and a Half Years

#### 11. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

The official Village bank(s) and/or trust companies for the deposit of all moneys received by the Treasurer, Village Clerk, and receiver who is designated and appointed as Village Receiver.

# **Banks**

JPMorgan Chase Bank, One Provident Bank, M&T Bank, NYCLASS One and a Half Years

#### 12. DATES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS

BOARD MEETINGS SCH	EDULED DATES
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Board of Trustees 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm
Board of Zoning Appeals 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7:00 pm
Planning Board 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7:00 pm
BAR 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month @ 5:30 pm
Village Justice Court 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month @ 5:00 pm

#### **HOLIDAYS**

Labor Day	Monday, September 1, 2025	
Rosh Hashanah	Begins on Monday evening, September 22, 2025	Ends on Tuesday evening, September 23, 2025
	Begins on Wednesday evening,	Ends on Thursday evening,
Yom Kippur	October 1, 2025	October 2, 2025
Columbus Day	Monday, October 13, 2025	
Veterans Day	Tuesday, November 11, 2025	
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 27, 2025	
Christmas	Thursday, December 25, 2025	
New Year's Day	Thursday, January 1, 2026	

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday, January 19, 2026
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 16, 2026
Good Friday	Friday, April 3, 2026
Memorial Day	Monday, May 25, 2026
Juneteenth	Friday, June 19, 2026
Independence Day (Observed)	Friday, July 3, 2026

#### 13. VILLAGE ELECTION AND VOTING HOURS

Village Election Day voting hours be from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the month of November starting 2026.

## 14. RULES OF PROCEDURE

- 1. General: The Mayor shall preside at Board of Trustees meetings. In the Mayor's absence, the Deputy Mayor shall preside. If neither the Mayor nor Deputy Mayor is present, a presiding officer will be chosen from among those present. All motions require a second.
- 2. Regular Meeting Schedules: The Board of Trustees shall hold regular meetings on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Such regular meetings shall commence at 7:00 p.m. and be conducted in the Village Hall. The Board of Trustees may determine any change to the foregoing.
- 3. Special & Special (Emergency) Meetings: Special meetings of the Board of Trustees are all those Board meetings other than regular meetings. The Mayor, or at least two trustees, upon notice to the entire Board may call a special meeting, as noted in Chapter 7 of the NYCOM Handbook. Notice among the Trustees and Village Clerk(s) shall be given by telephone, in person, or in writing at least 24 hours in advance unless an emergency exists.
- 4. *Quorum:* Most of the Board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. A quorum of the five-member Board of Trustees shall be three. In the absence of a quorum, a lesser number may only adjourn and compel the attendance of absent members. Three members must be present in person. The other members may attend remotely.
- 5. Executive Sessions: Executive sessions shall be held in accordance with the NYS Public Officers Law §105. All executive sessions shall be commenced in a public meeting and the reasons permissible for executive session shall be:
  - a) matters which will imperil the public safety if disclosed;
  - b) any matter which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer;

- c) information relating to current or future investigation or prosecution of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed;
- d) discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation;
- e) collective negotiations pursuant to article fourteen of the civil service law;
- f) the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;
- g) the preparation, grading or administration of examinations; and the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof;
- h) attorney-client privilege session for attorney advice.
- 6. Remote Attendance: Contingent upon the COVID 19 related Executive Orders filed by the Governor of NYS.
- 7. *Public Hearings:* Must be noticed in advance pursuant to New York State and Village Law, may be scheduled during regular or special meetings, and may be moved forward within the normal order of the agenda.
- 8. Agendas: An agenda shall be prepared by the Clerk at the direction of the Mayor. The Mayor or any Trustee may have an item placed on the agenda for regular meetings. Agenda items shall be given to the Clerk at least 24 hours before the meeting. Items may be placed on the agenda at any time by the Mayor or any Trustee, including during the meeting. When possible, the agenda shall be prepared by noon the day before meeting. If necessary a supplemental agenda shall be distributed at the beginning of the meeting.
- 9. Voting: Pursuant to Village Law each member of the Board shall have one vote. The Mayor is not required to vote on any matter unless it is to break a tie. A majority of the totally authorized voting power is necessary to pass a matter unless otherwise specified by State law. A vote upon any questionshall be taken by ayes and nays, and the names of the members present, and their votes shall be entered in the minutes.
- 10. Minutes: Minutes shall be taken by the Clerk or Secretary. Minutes shall consist of a record of all motions, proposals, resolutions, and any other matter formally voted upon by the Board and the vote thereon. A copy of any written resolutions or other prepared written material used to support an action of the Board must be given to the Clerk during the meeting or as soon as practicable thereafter. Minutes shall be available in accordance with NYS Public Officers Law §106 (open meetings within two weeks, votes taken in executive session within one week).

Minutes shall not be taken at executive session unless an action is taken or a motion is made by a formal Board vote, in which event a record or summary shall be made

of the final determination of such action or motion, and the date and vote thereon; provided, however, that such summary or record need not include any information which is not required to be made public by the NYS Freedom of Information Law.

Minutes shall also include the following: name of the board; date, place and time of the meeting; notation of presence or absence of board members and time of arrival or departure if different from time of call to order and adjournment; name and title of other Village officials and employees present and the approximate number of attendees; record of communications presented to the Board; record of reports made by board or other Village personnel; time of adjournment; and signature of clerk or person who took the minutes if not the clerk. Minutes shall not be verbatim or reference each comment made.

Minutes shall be approved by a majority vote at the next board meeting or as soon as reasonably practicable. Amendments to the minutes shall also require the approval by a majority vote by the Board.

11. Order of Business: Subject to the discretion of the Mayor, the normal order for the agenda in a regular Board meeting is:

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Mayor's Comments

**Trustee Comments** 

**Public Comment Period** 

Dept. Reports; Trustee Reports; Legal Reports; Committee Reports

Approval of Minutes

Business (Old)

Business (New)

**Budget Transfers** 

**Audit of Claims** 

**Public Comment Period** 

**Trustee Comments** 

**Executive Session** 

Adjournment

- 12. Guidelines for Public Comment: The Mayor shall determine if the public will be granted an opportunity to speak at any Board meeting, unless a majority of the Board decides otherwise. If the public is granted an opportunity to speak at a Board meeting, then they must do so in a respectful manner. The Mayor or Board may reasonably restrict the total length of time for the public comment period as well as limiting the time for each individual speaker.
- 13. Guidelines for Use of Recording Equipment: All members of the public and all public officials are allowed to record public meetings in an unobtrusive manner.

Recording is not allowed during executive sessions. The Village Boards record all meetings using ZOOM.

- 14. Guidelines for Use of Handheld Electronic Devices (i.e., iPhones, Android, Blackberry, iPad, and any other cell phone or tablet device): During Public Meetings, all members of the public and all public officials are encouraged to use handheld electronic devices in an unobtrusive manner.
- 15. Adjournment: Meetings shall be adjourned by motion (other than Special Meetings).
- 16. Amendments to the Rules of Procedure: The foregoing procedures may be amended from time to time at the request of the Mayor or a Trustee if approved by a majority vote of the Board.
- 17. Code of Ethics: It is required that anyone in a new Village position, whether a newly elected official, newly appointed board member, newly appointed position of chairman, or new employee must receive a copy of the Code of Ethics (Village Code, Chapter 15) and sign an acknowledgment of receipt of same in front of the Village Clerk or Deputy Village Clerk.
- 18. Fiscal Year: Begins on June 1<sup>st</sup> and ends on May 31<sup>st</sup>.
- 19. Mayor Appointments Requiring Board Approval: When the Code requires Board approval for appointments made by the Mayor, the Board will schedule a meeting to provide the opportunity to interview the candidate.

#### 15. THE NEXT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

2026 Organizational meeting is scheduled on Monday, December 7, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

#### 16. PROCUREMENT POLICY & PROCEDURE

Renew for one year the Procurement Policy for the Village of Tuxedo Park as amended and adopted by the Board of Trustees on April 17, 2019. A copy is on file.

## 17. OTHER VILLAGE POLICIES

- i. Sexual Harassment Training. Must be taken by all board members and employees.
- ii. Sexual Harassment Policy. A copy is on file.
- iii. Social Media Policy. A copy is on file.

- 18. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 19. TRUSTEE COMMENT
- 20. RESOLUTIONS

#### **Advance Approval of Claims**

Pursuant to Village Law § 5-524(6), the Board of Trustees may, by resolution, authorize claims for public utility services, postage, freight, and express charges to be paid in advance of audit, including the Mayor having the authority to expedite appropriations up to \$5,000 with oral or written approval by a majority of the Board of Trustees. An appropriate Resolution authorizing advance payment of claims follows:

**WHEREAS** the board of trustees has determined to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, postage, freight, and express charges; and

WHEREAS all such claims must be presented at the next regular meeting for audit; and

**WHEREAS** the claimant and the officer incurring or approving the claim are jointly and severally liable for any amount the board of trustees disallows;

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

**Section 1**. That the Board of Trustees authorizes payment in advance of audit of claims for public utility services, postage, freight, and express charges. All such claims shall be presented at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Village Board of Trustees for audit, and the claimant and the officer incurring or approving the claims are jointly and severally liable for any amount the Board of Trustees disallows.

**Section 2**. The Village Mayor and any other employee or Village official as directed by the Village Mayor, is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

**Section 3**. That this resolution is effective immediately.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

## Mileage Allowance

Pursuant to Village Law § 5-524(7), the actual and necessary expenses the officers and employees incur in performing their official duties are a Village charge. However, in lieu of auditing and allowing a claim for actual and necessary expenses for travel, the Board of Trustees may determine by resolution to pay a reasonable mileage allowance for use of personal automobiles in performing official duties. (See Chapter 15, Finances on page 15.11 for more information on travel expenses). An appropriate resolution authorizing a mileage allowance follows:

**WHEREAS** the Board of Trustees has determined to pay a per mile rate for mileage as reimbursement to Village officers and employees who use their personal automobiles while performing their official Village duties at the Federal 2025-2026 mileage rate;

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

**Section 1**. That the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to approve reimbursement to such officers and employees at the Federal per mile rate.

**Section 2**. That this resolution is effective immediately.

# Attendance at Schools and Conferences

Pursuant to General Municipal Law § 77-b, municipal officials and employees may attend schools, conferences, and seminars conducted for the benefit of the local government. (See Chapter 15, Finances on page 15.11 for more information on travel expenses). However, attendance is not authorized, nor can reimbursement be applied for, unless the Board of Trustees approves of the attendance in advance. Such attendance includes, but is not limited to, meetings at NYCOM's Annual Meeting and Training School, NYCOM's Fall Training School, NYCOM's Public Works Training School, and any New York State sponsored training classes. An appropriate resolution authorizing attendance at schools and conferences follows:

**WHEREAS** the Village desires certain officials and employees to be permitted the opportunity to attend conferences and seminars conducted for the benefit of local government; and

**WHEREAS** such opportunity to attend conferences or seminars would therefore benefit the Village official or employee and thereby benefit the Village;

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Village Board hereby authorizes the following Village officers and

employees to attend said events: Police Chief, Police Officers, the Village Building

Inspector, the Village DPW Superintendent, Village DPW employees, the Village Clerk-Treasurer, the Deputy Village Clerk-Treasurer, and members of the Village Board of Trustees.

**Section 2.** Modifications to the aforementioned list of Village officials or employees can be made by subsequent resolution by the Village Board of Trustees.

**Section 3**. That this resolution shall be effective immediately.

# **Designating Depositories**

Pursuant to Village Law § 4-412(3)(2), the Board of Trustees must designate, by resolution, banks or trust companies in which the treasurer, clerk, and receiver who is designated and appointed as Village receiver may deposit Village moneys received by them. An appropriate resolution designating depositories follows:

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees has determined that Village Law § 4-412(3)(2) requires the designation of banks or trust companies for the deposit of all Village monies;

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

**Section 1**. That the Board of Trustees designates the following institutions as depositories of allmoneys received by the village treasurer, clerk, and receiver of taxes. Names of Institutions: JP Morgan Chase Bank, Provident Bank, M&T Bank and NYCLASS.

**Section 2**. That this resolution is effective immediately.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

#### 21. MASTER RESOLUTION

#### Approval of the 2025 Organizational Agenda

**WHEREAS** the Board of Trustees have reviewed this agenda in detail.

**Section 1**. That this resolution is effective immediately.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees approves items one (1) through seventeen (17) on this **2025 Organizational Agenda**. Motion made by Mayor Citrin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Lindsay.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

# Adjournment Resolution 0707-04

On a motion made by Mayor Citrin, seconded Deputy Mayor Lindsay, it was: Resolved, to adjourn the Public Meeting.

Vote of the Board:

Mayor Citrin – Aye Deputy Mayor Lindsay – Aye Trustee Scherer – Aye Trustee Tinari – Aye Jedediah Turner – Aye

Respectfully submitted,

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Elizabeth A. Doherty Village Clerk-Treasurer