# The Village of Nelsonville Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, January 21, 2025**

The Village of Nelsonville Board of Trustees met at 7:30pm, on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, for their regular meeting, with Mayor Winward presiding, and Trustees Moroney and Zhynovitch present. Trustee Anderson was absent, and Trustee Biro arrived at 7:48pm.

**Pledge to the Flag**

Mayor Winward opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The mayor then took a moment to remember Chris Johanson, who recently passed and was a member of the Planning Board.

**Approval of Vouchers**

Abstract #8 in the amount of $41,966.49 was audited and ordered paid by a motion from Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried three in favor, two absent

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the December 16, 2024 meeting were approved by a motion from Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried three in favor, two absent.

**Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

**Reports**

Clerk Harris

Village of Nelsonville

Treasurer's Report

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GENERAL FUND

Previous Balance $1,087,828.07

Receipts:

Total $10,524.91

Disbursements:

Total $33,917.50

Current Balance $1,064,435.48

Checking Account $1,064,435.48

Savings Account $129,504.37

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TOTAL $1,193,939.85

Mayor Winward

Mayor Winward reported that the public comment period for the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) for the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail was extended from February 2, 2025 to March 4, 2025. She also reported that BRE, the company that will be installing the speed radar signs, came to scope out the installation sites, and are hoping for a March installation. Lastly, the mayor reported that the LED street light transition is in process. She also reminded the board that February’s meeting will be on Tuesday, February 18 due to the President’s Day holiday on February 17.

**New Business**

Submission of Delinquent Taxes to County

Upon motion from Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried three in favor, two absent, the delinquent tax roll was approved to be sent to the Putnam County Commissioner of Finance in the amount of $8,199.99

Election Registration Resolution

WHEREAS, the intent of the Election Law and of this Board is to enable all qualified persons to vote in the general election of the Village of Nelsonville, which will be held at the Municipal Building Meeting Room, 260 Main Street, on March 18, 2025, between the hours of Noon and 9pm; and,

WHEREAS, a Registration Day is required to accomplish this action; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Registration Day will be held for the Village of Nelsonville's General Election as follows;

March 8, 2025, Noon to 5pm, at the Municipal Building, 260 Main Street.

I, **Melissa Harris**, the duly qualified and acting Village Clerk of the Village of Nelsonville, Putnam County, New York do hereby certify that the above hereto is a true and correct copy of an extract from the minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Nelsonville held on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 and that the resolution set forth herein is a true and correct copy of the resolution of the Village Board of said Village adopted at said meeting.

**I FURTHER CERTIFY** that pursuant to section 103 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Village, 21st day of January, 2025.

The Board members voted on the Resolution by roll call, and the resulting votes of the board members were as follows:

**Member of Board Voting**

Mayor Winward Aye

Trustee Anderson Absent

Trustee Biro Absent

Trustee Moroney Aye

Trustee Zhynovitch Aye

**Total Ayes and Nays Three Ayes, Two Absent**

Appoint Election Inspectors

Upon motion by Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried all in favor, Kelly House, Donna Steltz and Donna Duncan were appointed as Election Inspectors.

Budget Discussion

Mayor Winward gave an overview the calendar dates for the 2025/2026 Village Budget review and approval process.

Community Choice Aggregation Renewal Process

Mayor Winward stated that Community Choice Aggregation was at the end of the two-year agreement and up for renewal. Nelsonville, along with the other municipalities that joined, including the Village of Cold Spring and the Town of Philipstown, will have to decide if we are going to participate again. The mayor stated that she feels the Village should remain in the program, and reminded the board that residents can opt-out for the Central Hudson variable rate. She went over the indicative pricing, currently shown as $.11 for 50% renewable in state and 50% renewable out of state, and at $.12 for 100% in state renewable, among CCA bidders. These prices are down from $.138 and $.145 from the last two-year agreement, respectively. Lastly, the mayor explained that the MOU would be signed the day following the February 12 workshop being held at Village Hall, where the public can attend a presentation by Joule.

**Old Business**

FEMA Repair Updates

Mayor Winward stated that the engineers are finalizing the bid for Healy Road and are expected to issue RFBs within the next few weeks, with work starting in the spring. She stated that she also had her FEMA close-out call, and final administration will be through the NYS Department of Homeland Security (DHSES).

**Open to the Floor**

There was no public comment.

**Adjournment**

Upon motion of Trustee Moroney, seconded by Trustee Biro, enacted four in favor, one absent, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

Respectfully presented,

Melissa Harris

Village Clerk