

Village of Geneseo Board of Trustees – April 09, 2025

Board Present:

Chris Ivers, Mayor
Keith Walters, Deputy Mayor
Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee
Eddie Lee, Trustee
Alex Livingston, Trustee

Other Village Representatives Present:

Shawn Forrester, Clerk & Treasurer
Dan Quinlan, Superintendent of Public Works
Eric Osganian, Police Chief
Andrew Chanler, Fire Chief
Julie Molisani, Court Clerk

Others Present:

Josh Hamilton, Kyle Scoville, Diane Johnson & Lousie Zipp

Meeting Opened:

Mayor Ivers opened the meeting at 5pm. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing Local Law #2 Tax Cap Override:

Mayor Ivers asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing. Deputy Mayor Walters moved to open the public hearing to override the Tax Cap. Trustee Livingston seconded. The meeting opened at 5:04pm with ayes from all.

Public Hearing 2025-2026 Tentative Budget:

Mayor Ivers asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing. Deputy Mayor Walters moved to open the public hearing of the 2025-2026 Tentative Budget. Trustee Livingston seconded. The meeting opened at 5:05pm with ayes from all. Mayor Ivers explained the purpose of the hearings, the budget, the Village's need to grow and thanked the Department Heads for their hard work. He continued with the importance of having a healthy Unassigned Fund Balance. At this time Mayor Ivers asked the public present if there were any questions or comments.

Lousie Zipp and Diane Johnson expressed their concerns over where the increase was being used, commercial and residential growth, the Tax Cap as well as the fact that the town and county taxes had increased, and the school tax was due to increase as well.

Mayor Ivers and the Board explained that the taxes were used across the board, Fund Balance was necessary for emergencies, as well as the progress the Board has made with Planning and the new Parking Law that was created in the hope of attracting new businesses.

Hearing no more comments, Mayor Ivers asked for a motion to close the Public Hearings. Deputy Mayor Walters moved to close the public hearing to override the Tax Cap. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore seconded. The meeting was closed at 5:16pm with ayes from all.

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to close the public hearing of the 2025-2026 Tentative Budget. Trustee Livingston seconded. The meeting was closed at 5:17pm with ayes from all.

Shawn Forrester, Clerk & Treasurer