

## *Village of Geneseo Board of Trustees – September 8, 2025*

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### **Board Present:**

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

### **Other Village Representatives Present:**

Shawn Forrester, Clerk & Treasurer  
Dan Quinlan, Superintendent of Public Works

### **Others Present:**

Michaela Regner, Karen Kelley, Larry Kelley, Ella Hinckley, Kyle Scoville, Marck Chiarenza, Justin Merkel, and Steven Tuttle

### **Meeting Opened:**

Mayor Ivers opened the meeting at 5:01pm. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Action Items:**

#### **Review of Minutes:**

The minutes from August 18, 2025, were presented. *Deputy Mayor Walters moved to accept the minutes, as presented. Trustee Livingston seconded. After much discussion the minutes were accepted as amended with ayes from all.*

#### **Public Hearing:**

*Deputy Mayor Walters moved to open the Public Hearing. Trustee Livingston seconded. With no further discussion the hearing opened at 5:05pm with ayes and thanks from all.*

Mayor Ivers explained the purpose of the hearing and stated The Village of Geneseo is holding a public hearing for the purpose of hearing public comments on the Village's community development needs and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the 2025 program year. The CDBG program is administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$100 million in Federal Fiscal 2025 program year for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities, with the principal purpose of benefiting low/moderate income persons. The Village of Geneseo is applying for \$2,000,000 in CDBG funds to construct improvements to the wastewater treatment plant. This hearing will allow for citizen participation in the development of any proposed grant applications. Comments on the CDBG program or proposed project will be received at this time. Mayor Ivers then opened the hearing to the public. Hearing no comments the hearing remained open and the Board moved on.

#### **Court JCAP Grant:**

Trustee Lee explained that Court Clerk Molisani would like to apply for the 2025-2026 Justice Court Assistance Program in the amount of \$2,696.77. He continued that this 2025-2026 Grant was for electronic equipment to allow for electronic proceedings. He also noted that this Grant was fully funded. *Deputy Mayor Walters moved the following with second from Trustee Livingston: Be it RESOLVED that the Board of the Village of Geneseo authorizes the Geneseo Village Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2025-2026 grant cycle up to \$2,696.77. The vote passed with ayes from all.*

#### **Parade Hounds:**

The request of The Genesee Valley Hunt was presented to hold the annual Hounds and Horses Parade on Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 7:30am was presented. *Deputy Mayor Walters moved to approve the Parade request. Trustee Livingston seconded. After discussion the request was approved with ayes from all.*

**Police Copier Surplus:**

Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to allow the Police Department to surplus the 2019 Lexmark Copier. Deputy Mayor Walters seconded. Trustee Hamann-Whitmore noted that the copier was no longer functional. *With no further discussion the motion passed with ayes from all.*

**Water/Wastewater Trainee:**

Deputy Mayor Walters moved to approve the recommendation to hire Dylan Szczensniak as Water/Wastewater Trainee. Trustee Livingston seconded. Deputy Mayor Walters explained Superintendent Quinlan's recommendation and need to hire a water/wastewater trainee. *After discussion the request was approved with ayes from all.*

**NY Collegiate Baseball League:**

It was noted that there was no one present for the request.

**Discussion Items:****Municipal Lot Signage:**

Justice Houston's request for more signage in the municipal lot was presented. There was much discussion regarding where the signs were placed, possible confusion, and the need for more parking. *It was decided that Trustee Lee and Trustee Hamann-Whitmore would walk through the lot to help with a recommendation.*

**Good Cause Eviction Law:**

The request to consider opting in to the Good Cause Eviction Law was presented. There was much discussion regarding the law, number of requests, and how it would affect the Village. *No Action Taken.*

**Local Law #3:**

Discussion began with Trustee Livingston informing the Board that the survey results should be compiled by next meeting. The discussion continued with noting what opting in meant, the misunderstandings about MU-1 or MU-2, a specific store/location, and Town vs Village. The Board continued with the public hearing attendance, public comments, survey results, education and traffic. *No action taken – the Board will continue to have discussion.*

**Mayor Updates:**

Mayor Ivers informed the Board that the 2023-2024 Annual Financial Report had been filed with the State, on time.

Mayor Ivers updated the Board regarding the NY Forward Parks and Main Street Grants. There was discussion regarding the existing Park Concept Plan, relocating the dog park, Main Street concept and public input.

**Board Updates/Information:****Fire Department:**

Trustee Livingston updated the Board on the training of the new ladder truck; it should be in service soon.

Trustee Livingston also asked the Board to consider changing the time of the Board Meetings. He noted that he had been told that the time was inconvenient for many people. *The request would be put on the agenda for the next meeting.*

**Police Department:**

Chief Osganian's report was presented. It was noted that the Police Department had received a Grant for equipment to help with uploading discovery data in accordance with NY State's requirements.

**Court:**

Trustee Lee informed the Board that the Court Audit had been completed and would have the report at the next meeting.

**Department of Public Works:**

Superintendent Quinlan's monthly report was presented.

**Public Hearing:**

Hearing no public comments. *Deputy Mayor Walters moved to close the public hearing for The CDBG Grant. Trustee Livingston seconded. The hearing was closed at 6:03pm with ayes from all.* The following resolutions were presented

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION NEW YORK STATE REVOLVING FUNDS FINANCING APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo wishes to apply to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation State Revolving Funds for a Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements Project.

WHEREAS, the financing application requires approval from governing board for submission

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Geneseo authorizes the submission of a New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation New York State Revolving Funds Financing Application for a Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Mayor is hereby authorized to submit the application on behalf of the Village, and to execute any agreements, instruments or other documents in connection with the Village's acceptance of any such financing and/or the funding thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The vote was as follows:

Christopher Ivers, Mayor - Aye

Keith Walters, Deputy Mayor - Aye

Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee - Aye

Eddie Lee, Trustee - Aye

Alex Livingston, Trustee - Aye

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A NEW YORK STATE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT (WIIA) GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Village of Geneseo wishes to apply to the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act grant for a Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements Project.

WHEREAS, the grant application requires approval from governing board for submission

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Geneseo authorizes the submission of a New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act (WIIA) grant application for a Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Mayor is hereby authorized to submit the (WIIA) grant application on behalf of the Village, and to execute any agreements, instruments or other documents in connection with the Village's acceptance of any such grants and/or the funding thereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The vote was as follows:

Christopher Ivers, Mayor - Aye

Keith Walters, Deputy Mayor - Aye

Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Trustee - Aye

Eddie Lee, Trustee - Aye

Alex Livingston, Trustee - Aye

Michaela Regner of Barton & Logudice presented the Board with the preliminary designs for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project.

**Adjourn:**

*Trustee Hamann-Whitmore moved to close the meeting at 6:05pm. Trustee Livingston seconded. With no further discussion the meeting was closed with ayes from all.*

Shawn Forrester  
Clerk Treasurer