

REGULAR MEETING
DOLGEVILLE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 21, 2024

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Mary E. Puznowski
TRUSTEES: Robert P. Dyer
Craig A. Eggleston
Robert Gridley
Marilyn Williams

ATTORNEY: Karl Manne

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Tammy L. Chmielewski

ATTENDED: David Jaquay, Chet Szymanski, Mark McGowan, Jaden Leon, Donna DeLucco, Arianna Marucci, Amy Mowers, Elaine Ruggerio, Amber Kraszewski, Neal Winkler, Matt Crozier, Jeremy Boyer, Skip Gehring, Jennifer Winkler, Joseph Gilfus.

Mayor Mary E. Puznowski at Village Hall called this Regular Meeting of the Dolgeville Village Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance recited.

***Local Law # 3-2024
Establishing
And Imposing Sewer Rents
In the Village of Dolgeville
Resolution # 297-2024***

The following resolution offered by Trustee Williams sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Board of the Village of Dolgeville, New York, as follows:

LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF THE YEAR 2024

A Local Law of the Village of Dolgeville establishing and imposing sewer rents in the Village of Dolgeville and repealing Local Laws # 3-2022.

Be in enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dolgeville as follows:

SECTION 1. Establishment of Sewer Rents

A. The Village hereby establishes and imposes sewer rents for the use of the sewer system or any part or parts thereof applicable both to user located within the Village and to users located outside the Village, whether within special use districts or otherwise, and establishes and imposes such sewer rents as an annual charge on the real property within the Village using such sewer system.

B. The amount of such sewer rents are fixed as follows:

1. Residential Properties. Annual sewer rents for residential properties within the Village shall be assessed at the rate of \$583.00 per dwelling unit. Such rent shall be payable without regard to occupation or vacancy. For purposes of this section a dwelling unit is defined as an apartment or house with living facilities intended for use by a single family.

2. Small Commercial Properties. Except as set forth in section 3, infra, annual sewer rents for commercial properties within the Village shall be assessed at the residential rate as a single dwelling unit. Notwithstanding, any residential dwelling unit within a commercial property shall be charged a separate sewer rent.

3. Large Commercial Properties. The following are identified as “Large Commercial Properties” and shall pay sewer rents in the amounts stated:

Gehring Tricot Miltex	\$ 73,231.00
North Hudson	\$ 3,018.00
J & M Car Wash, LLC	\$ 2,406.00
Rawlings Sporting Goods	\$ 3,109.00
Dolgeville Central School	\$ 4,993.00
Flocast	\$ 1,739.00
Laundromats 0-8 machines	\$ 1,252.00
Laundromats 9-16 machines	\$ 2,419.00
Laundromats 17+ machines	\$ 3,590.00

4. Outside Users. Annual sewer rents for users outside of the Village shall be assessed at the rate of \$643.00 per dwelling unit or per commercial property.

SECTION 2. Sewer Year

For the purposes of this Local law, sewer rents for users in all classes shall be billed on a quarterly basis with said billings being due on August 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1.

SECTION 3. Collection of sewer rents

Sewer rents shall be paid within thirty (30) days after the due date thereof.

SECTION 4. Penalties

Penalties for late payment or non-payment of sewer rents are hereby fixed at a rate of ten percent (10) as currently established and may be amended from time to time by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dolgeville.

SECTION 5. Lien for sewer rents

Sewer rents shall constitute a lien upon the real property within the Village served by the sewer system to the extent as set forth in Section 452 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

SECTION 6. Collection of delinquent sewer rents

The Village may enforce the collection of delinquent sewer rents by any method authorized by Section 452 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York.

SECTION 7. Pro-Ration of Rents for Cancelled Service In the event a property owner lawfully terminates sewer service to the premises during the rent period. The sewer charge shall be pro-rated by the Village Clerk on a monthly basis to the month of termination. If service to a dwelling is terminated, a minimum of a single user sewer charge will remain until such a time the sewer is legally disconnected, capped at the street and inspected by the sewer inspector.

SECTION 8. Correction of Errors

If any owner of real property on which a sewer rent has been imposed deems himself aggrieved because such real property is not served by the sewer system or an error has been made in computing such sewer rent. he may file an application for a refund or all or part of such sewer rent. Such application shall be verified by him and shall set forth the amount of refund sought and the grounds therefore. Such application shall be presented to the Village Board of Trustees with his recommendation in relation thereto. The Village Board of Trustees may refund all or part of such sewer rent.

SECTION 9. Separability

The invalidity of any section, clause, or provision of this Local law shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Local law, which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

SECTION 10. Repeal of Prior Laws Local Law No. 3-2022 and any other prior law, rule or regulation inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

SECTION 11. Effective date.

This Local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of the State of New York.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Madore, Williams

NAYS: None
ADOPTED – September 16, 2024

***Local Law # 4-2024
Establishing
And Imposing Water Rents
In the Village of Dolgeville
Resolution # 298-2024***

The following resolution offered by Trustee Williams sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Board of the Village of Dolgeville, New York, as follows:

LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF THE YEAR 2024

A Local Law of the Village of Dolgeville establishing and imposing water rents in the Village of Dolgeville and amending Local Law # 2-2016.

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dolgeville as follows:

SECTION 1. Definitions.

Unit. A structure or parcel of real property served by the Village of Dolgeville water system, or other applicable designation herein related to the use of such water. Dwelling Unit. An apartment or house with living facilities intended for use by a single family.

SECTION 2. Establishment of Water Rents

A. The Village hereby establishes and imposed water rents for the use of the water system or any part or parts thereof applicable both to users located within the Village and to users located outside the Village, whether within special use districts or otherwise, and establishes and imposes such water rents as an annual charge on all real property located within the Village and being served by such water system.

B. Water rents will be charged in accordance with class of use as specified herein, inclusive of pro-rata use charges if a unit is being utilized in a multiple manner.

C. The amount of such water rents are fixed as follows:

1. Residential Properties. Annual water rents for residential properties and churches within the Village shall be assessed at the rate of \$247.00 per dwelling unit to which water is actively connected. Such rent shall be payable without regard to occupation or vacancy.

2. Small Commercial Properties. Except as set forth in section 3, infra, annual water rents for commercial properties within the Village shall be assessed at the rate of \$306.00 per unit to which water is actively connected. Any residential dwelling unit within a commercial property shall be charged a separate water rent at the residential rate.

3. Special Uses. The following are identified as “Special Uses” and shall pay water rents in the amounts stated, subject to the provisions of Section 3, infra.:

Farms: \$5.15 per head of livestock per year
Emergency Wholesale \$5.15 per day
Non-potable use \$5.15 per 300 gallons

4. Large Commercial Properties.

The following are identified as “Large Commercial Properties” and shall pay water rents in the amounts stated:

Gehring Tricot Miltex	\$ 48,740.00
North Hudson	\$ 1,950.00
J & M Car Wash, LLC	\$ 2,161.00
Rawlings Sporting Goods	\$ 1,883.00
Dolgeville Central School	\$ 3,014.00
Tumble Forms	\$ 1,131.00
Flocast	\$ 919.00
Laundromats 0-8 machines	\$ 775.00
Laundromats 9-16 machines	\$ 1,548.00
Laundromats 17+ machines	\$ 2,323.00

5. Outside Users. Annual water rents for users outside of the Village shall be assessed at the rate of \$306.00 per dwelling unit and \$402.00 per commercial property.

SECTION 3. Special Rates

The Dolgeville Department of Public Works shall be the designated fill station for outside area resident who are temporarily out of water (Class 9 users). There will be no charge for the first thirty (30) day period in a calendar year. After this (30) day gratis period, there will be the above-described five dollar (\$5.00) charge for a maximum of three hundred (300) gallons of water per day. The designated fill site will only be available during working hours of the Department of Public Works unless prior arrangements are made at the Village Clerk's office. The Village reserves the right to deny this service to outside area residents during periods of water shortage which affect Village users.

Class 10 water purchasers for non-potable use shall pay a charge of five dollars (\$5.15) for each three hundred (300) gallons of water purchased. The Village reserves the right to deny this service during periods of water shortage. A fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) will be due for having water shut-off and for having water turned on at the user's request. A fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) shall be due and paid before water is turned back on after being turned off because of non-payment of rent.

SECTION 4. Water Year

For the purposes of this Local law, water rents for users in classes 1 through 5, shall be billed on a quarterly basis with said billings being made on August 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1. Water users in class 3 shall pay the appropriate fee to the Village Clerk before drawing water at the Village water fill station. A receipt for this payment shall be shown to the attendant before water is drawn.

SECTION 5. Collection of Water Rents Water rents shall be paid within thirty (30) days after the due date thereof.

SECTION 6. Penalties

Penalties for late payment or non-payment of water rents are hereby fixed at a rate of ten percent (10) which may be amended from time to time upon resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dolgeville.

SECTION 7. Lien for Water Rents Unpaid, or delinquent, water rents shall constitute a lien upon the real property within the Village served by the water system to the extent as set forth in Section 11-1118 of the Village Law of the State of New York Unpaid, or delinquent, water rents for outside of village real property served by the water system shall constitute a lien upon such real property in accordance with any judicial judgment that may be rendered for non-payment.

SECTION 8. Collection of Delinquent Water Rents

The Village may enforce the collection of delinquent water rents by any method authorized by Article 11 of the Village law of the State of New York or other applicable law.

SECTION 9. Pro-Ration of Rents for Cancelled Service

In the event a property owner lawfully ceases or terminates water service to the premises during the rent period, the water charge shall be pro-rated by the Village Clerk on a monthly basis to the month of termination.

SECTION 10. Correction of Errors

If any owner of real property on which water rent is imposed deems himself aggrieved because such real property is not served by the water system, or for an error which has been made in computing such water rent, he may file an application for a refund for all or part of such imposed water rent. Such application shall be presented to the Village Board of Trustees with a recommendation in relation thereto. The Village Board of Trustees may refund all or part of such water rent.

SECTION 11. Water Meters.

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Dolgeville may, by subsequent resolution, require that all water to various types and classes of users shall be measured through meters. Such a resolution shall be made by the Board only after a public hearing has been held thereon with at least fifteen (15) days notice to the public.

The following regulations shall apply to each water service where meters are specifically ordered by the Board:

A. When the Board makes a determination that on a certain date all village water provided to a certain type and class of user will be supplied and sold by measurement only, then and thereafter all water used by such customers shall be metered.

B. The Village shall provide all water meters and the installation and maintenance thereof shall be a charge to the consumer.

C. If a meter is out of order and fails to register, the consumer will be charged at the average consumption as shown by the meter when in order.

D. At the written request of a consumer, the Village will test the meter supplying the premises of said consumer. If the meter on testing is found to be registering over three (3) percent more water than actually passes through it, no charge will be made for the test; otherwise a charge as defined in a Village fee schedule to cover the cost of removing, testing and resetting the meter will be made.

E. No seal placed by the Village for the protection of any meter, valve or other water connection shall be tampered with or defaced. If the seal is broken, the Village reserves the right to remove and test the meter at the customer's expense.

F. Where, after installation, damage to any meter is caused by the negligence of the consumer, the charge for renewing or repairing

of same shall be at the expense of the consumer. Tampering with any meter shall be a misdemeanor and punishable as provide for Unclassified Misdemeanors in the Penal Law, or other applicable law, of the State of New York.

SECTION 12. Separability

The invalidity of any section, clause, or provision of this Local law shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Local law, which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

SECTION 13. Repeal of Prior Laws

Local Law No. 2-2016 and any other prior law, rule or regulation inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. Effective Date This Local Law shall take effect upon its filing with the Secretary of the State.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

**Resignation
Police Dept.
Resolution # 299-2024**

The following resolution offered by Trustee Williams sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all

Motion to accept the resignation of Part Time Patrolman Tyler Perkins effective September 18, 2024. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

**Resignation
Police Dept.
Resolution # 300-2024**

The following resolution offered by Trustee Williams sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Motion to accept the resignation of Part Time Patrolman Nicholas Beevers effective October 15, 2024. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

**Resignation
Police Dept.**

Resolution # 301-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Eggleston sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

Motion to accept the resignation of Full Time Officer-In-Charge Katareena Pate effective October 28, 2024. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

**Appointment-Trustee
Resolution # 302-2024**

The following resolution offered by Trustee Eggleston sec. Trustee Dyer.

Motion to appoint Robert Gridley – Trustee retro to October 3, 2024 to replace Trustee Laura Madore until the next election – March 18, 2025. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Please Note: Laura’s original term to expire 2026.

Additional appointments: Auditor, Finance, Health Officer. Liason to: Public Health & Nuisances, Personnel, D.P.W., Public Relations, Recycling, Senior Citizen Advisor.

**Approval of
Meeting Minutes**

By Trustee Eggleston

Motion to approve and place on file the meeting minutes of September 23rd and October 3, 2024. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

**Budgetary Transfers
Resolution # 303-2024**

The following resolution offered by Trustee Eggleston sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

FROM: FO8330.400 –Supplies/Purification \$ 500.00
TO: FO8330.200 – Equipment/Purification \$ 500.00

FROM: G18110.107 – Deputy Treasurer \$62.69
TO: GO8110.103 – Deputy Clerk \$ 62.69

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Abstract of

Audited Vouchers
Resolution # 304-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 9/7/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 139,997.89
SEWER FUND	\$ 12,132.66
WATER FUND	\$ 5,708.50

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams
NAYS: None
ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers
Resolution # 304A-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 9/17/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

TRUST & AGENCY FUND	\$ 13,901.45
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AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams
NAYS: None
ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers
Resolution # 304B-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 9/18/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

TRUST & AGENCY FUND	\$ 7,853.80
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AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams
NAYS: None
ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers

Resolution # 304C-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 9/23/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 29,531.06
SEWER FUND	\$ 12,450.48
WATER FUND	\$ 6,962.39
CAPITAL FUND (FINK CREEK)	\$ 619.50
GENERAL (5/31/24 – Library)	\$ 14,520.00

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers

Resolution # 304D-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers from – 9/25/24 the following funds for the amount specified:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 33.96
WATER FUND	\$ 41,528.53

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers

Resolution # 304E-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 10/1/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

TRUST & AGENCY FUND	\$ 12,117.15
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AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers

Resolution # 304F-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 10/15/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

TRUST & AGENCY FUND \$ 10,646.77

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Audited Vouchers

Resolution # 304G-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Dyer sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be and hereby authorized to sign the Abstract of Audited Vouchers – 10/17/24 from the following funds for the amount specified:

CAPITAL FUND (Main St. Sewer) \$ 2,973.75

CAPITAL FUND (N. Main St. Homes) \$ 600.00

CAPITAL FUND (N. Main St. Waterfront)\$ 48,995.34

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Village Engineer

Village Engineer Chet Szymanski came before the Board on the following:

Active Projects

Quarterly Meeting / Multiple Projects – October 8, 2024

A quarterly coordination meeting was held on October 8, 2024, at 10:00 AM between representatives of the Village of Dolgeville, the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT), and Barton & Loguidice (B&L), the Village’s consulting engineer. The meeting focused on updates for multiple infrastructure projects in the Village. The following updates are provided for each project:

1. Main Street Sewer Project

- The project is progressing towards the bidding phase. We are still awaiting responses from most regulatory agencies, but the next steps in the bidding process are being prepared.

- The advertisement for bids must be published in the Village's official newspaper during the week of October 28th before the project can be posted on the online bidding platform.
- The current front-end project schedule is as follows:
 - o **Advertisement in Village Newspaper:** Week of October 28th
 - o **Pre-bid Meeting:** November 12th
 - o **Bid Opening:** December 5, 2024, at 2:00 PM
 - o **Contract Award:** December 16, 2024, at the Village Board Meeting
- Comments from both the Village and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have been reviewed and integrated into the design. However, feedback from the Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC), the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), and the Department of Health (DOH) is still pending.
- It was noted that due to ongoing staffing shortages and retirements, EFC and NYSDEC are experiencing significant delays in their review process, which could take up to a year.
- Barton & Loguidice will issue formal correspondence to the Village documenting the resolution of Village comments.
- The anticipated timeline for this project includes contract award in December 2024, followed by the finalization of construction contracts and submittal reviews, with construction anticipated to begin in March 2025.

2. Beaver Creek Culvert Project (NYS DOT)

- The Beaver Creek Culvert project is currently in the final design phase. Bidding is anticipated to take place by the end of March 2025, with construction starting shortly thereafter.
- A full closure of Route 167 is expected during the construction period, with an anticipated detour lasting approximately 30 days.
- NYS DOT is coordinating with the Village to secure a temporary easement for the parkland adjacent to the project area.

3. Route 29 Bridge Replacement Project

- The draft design is currently undergoing internal review by NYS DOT, with an anticipated review period of approximately four weeks. Following this, the design will be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for review.
- The current project schedule includes bidding in June 2026, with construction of the bridge itself commencing in spring 2027 and completion expected by fall 2027. The overall

project, including all related work, is anticipated to be complete by fall 2028.

- The Village has requested a copy of the survey data collected for the design, and NYS DOT has committed to providing this.
- NYS DOT anticipates minimal impact on FEMA buyout properties from this project, with the potential for some stream armoring adjacent to the bridge. Coordination with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and FEMA is ongoing to address any potential encroachment issues.
- The bridge replacement will also include drainage and paving work along North Main Street, extending to approximately the north end of the pizza shop.

4. Additional Notes

- NYS DOT has allocated \$1 million for planning improvements to the Main Street corridor, which will be executed after the sewer project. This funding will make the project “shovel-ready” for future grant opportunities.
- Additionally, NYS DOT has secured a Thriving Community Grant for the Village, which was awarded to only five communities across New York State.
- NYS DOT will also replace many of the streetlights along Main Street (with the Route 29 Bridge Project) and has requested input from the Village on the preferred style of lighting.
- NYS DOT will be conducting a video inspection of all drainage in the project area in the coming months and will provide the Village with the resulting inspection reports for future use.

5. Next Steps

- The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2025, at 10:00 AM at Village Hall.

North Main Street Floodplain Creation and Preservation Project – NYSDEC Contract No. C01223GG

- The Village submitted the application for the New York State Green Resiliency Grant (GRG) by the August 16, 2024, deadline. On October 17, 2024, it was announced that the project was awarded \$1.75 million in funding under the GRG program. This significant grant will support the development of green infrastructure, including tree trenches, an infiltration basin, porous pavement, and a bioslope, aimed at reducing runoff into the storm sewer system and East Canada Creek.
- The project will enhance water quality and provide the first publicly accessible connection to the scenic East Canada Creek in the Village. Additionally, the design includes recreational

improvements such as a playground, swing garden, pavilion, and porous pavement walking paths, further supporting community engagement with the natural environment.

- The project in Dolgeville was one of 13 projects funded, demonstrating the state's commitment to enhancing resiliency through sustainable infrastructure.
- Next steps include the finalization of detailed designs and coordination with NYSDEC to advance the project toward construction.

Fink Creek Storm Drainage System Project - FEMA Project No. 4472DR-NY [130884]

- A contract between Barton & Loguidice (B&L) and the Village was approved at the recent special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, allowing the project to proceed.
- Last week, on Wednesday, I met with engineers from Barton & Loguidice to discuss the next steps in the project. We are currently scheduling the camera inspection and coordinating this work with Patrick Torrico from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES).
- The initial phase will include limited cleaning to ensure successful camera inspection of the culvert sections, allowing us to document the existing conditions. Cleaning beyond this point will not be required at this stage.
- A Scope of Work (SOW) change request may be necessary, depending on the condition of the culvert. If the repair costs exceed 50% of the replacement cost, as per FEMA's 50% rule, the damaged segments may need to be replaced rather than repaired.
- Patrick Torrico has confirmed that he would like to be on-site during the inspection to discuss the documentation required for the SOW change. Coordination of this site visit is ongoing, and we anticipate scheduling the camera inspection for the last week of October or the first week of November.

Brayton Court Sewer Project

- The manhole structure has been delivered, and the Village Department of Public Works (DPW) is coordinating installation with the homeowner's contractor.
- DPW has confirmed that there is no strict cut-off date for this work; however, due to the potential for cold weather in early November, efforts are being made to complete the installation by the end of October to avoid complications with paving.
- This installation will align with the Main Street Sewer Project and ensure proper gravity flow. The project is progressing as planned, and the road cut permit for the homeowner's portion of the work has already been issued.

- The next steps will involve scheduling the on-site coordination between Village DPW and the homeowner's contractor for the final installation work.

NYSDEC Floodplain Correspondence

- I have a draft response letter prepared for the NYSDEC, addressing the project sites across the Village that were noted in their recent floodplain permitting letter. Before finalizing the letter, I will be coordinating several items with Phil Green to ensure all necessary details are addressed.

General

- EPA Lead and Copper Rule Projects
- Brownfields Opportunity Area Project w/ IDA

DPW Project List

- Repair / replacement of 4 major creek culverts throughout Village
- Vehicle acquisition / replacement planning
- Co-funding sources for Main Street Paving / ADA Compliance Project
- DPW Garage Construction Grants (CHIPS?)
- Greenway Extension Grants (Main Street to Gehring Tricot)
- 2nd Street Drainage Improvements (*on hold*)
- Van Buren Street Erosion / Streambank Protection
- Water Transmission Main Clearing (*on hold*)

WTP / Water Distribution System Project List

- Siding Repairs at Rear of WTP
- Water Transmission Main Mapping (after water service data collection, before access road clearing)
- Preliminary Engineering Report for System {needed for future grant applications}

WWTP / Collection System Project List

- Phosphorous Removal Limits Changing, 1.0 (EPG)
- Incorporate Video/Condition Assessment Into GIS / HOCCPP System
- WWTP Study / Proposed Upgrades for IDA Project

Creeks and Flood Prevention

- East Canada Creek Sediment / Hydraulics; Dam Removal
- Van Buren Street Ice Jam / Flooding; ACOE Design and Permitting
- New FEMA Flood Maps (*in process*)

- ACOE East Canada Creek – Erosion and WWTP Protection (*on hold, waiting for NYSDEC*)

***Village Engineer
Monthly Report***

By Trustee Williams

Motion to approve and place on file the October 2024 Village Engineer report as submitted. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

Public Comment

Bergeron Industries

Jeremy Boyer of Bergeron Industries came before the Board on the following:

Bergeron submitted a proposed parking area for approximately 25 employee vehicles starting in the first quarter of 2025. The area is located at the northeast corner of the Village Park adjacent to their property. They would install and maintain a set of stairs on their property for their employees to travel from the lower parking area up to the Elm Street level and vice versa. Bergeron is looking for something in writing from the Village confirming Bergeron Companies' use of this property for parking during Monday-Friday business hour.

Attorney's will draw up proposal paperwork for submittal at the next regular board meeting.

Gehring Tricot

Skip Gehring of Gehring Tricot came before the Board on the following:

Skip informed the Board that Gehring Tricot has hired an engineer and will be working with Justin to gain more facts and numbers regarding solutions to waste water issues.

Department Heads

WWTF

WWTF Chief Operator Amy Mowers came before the Board on the following:

WWTF Monthly Report

By Trustee Williams

Motion to approve and place on file the September 12, 2024 - October 17, 2024 WWTF report as submitted. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Water Plant

Water Plant Operator Neal Winkler came before the Board on the following:

Water Technical Assistance

The Village will work with the EPA water technical assistance program to submit applications for federal funding, quality water infrastructure, and reliable water services in

partnership with drinking water, wastewater, and storm water utilities and local government.

Water Monthly Report

By Trustee Dyer

Motion to approve and place on file the October 21, 2024 water report as submitted. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Police Department

Officer-In-Charge Katareena Pate came before the Board on the following:

SPO – DCS

The Village will schedule a special meeting with DCS.

Police Hiring

The Village will post for full-time and part time officers.

Police Monthly Report

By Trustee Williams

Motion to approve and place on file the October 2024 Police report as submitted. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

Code Enforcement

N/A

Herkimer County

Land Bank

156 South Main Street

A meeting is set for October 23rd to discuss 156 South Main Street.

D.P.W.

D.P.W. Superintendent David Jaquay came before the Board on the following:

D.P.W. Monthly Report

By Trustee Williams

Motion to approve and place on file the October 2024 D.P.W. report as submitted. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

Planning Board

N/A

Treasurer

Treasurer Amber Kraszewski came before the Board on the following:

***Expenditures,
Encumbrances, and
Appropriations***

By Trustee Dyer

Motion to place on file the Statement of Expenditures, Encumbrances, Appropriations for the period ending 9/30/24. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Balance Sheet

By Trustee Dyer

Motion to place on file the Balance Sheet for the period ending 9/30/24. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Annual Report

6/1/21-5/31/22

Resolution # 305-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Williams. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Motion to place on file the Annual Report of Finances to the State Comptroller’s Office for the period of 6/1/21-5/31/22. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Annual Report

6/1/21-5/31/23

Resolution # 306-2024

The following resolution offered by Trustee Williams. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

Motion to place on file the Annual Report of Finances to the State Comptroller’s Office for the period of 6/1/22-5/31/23. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

New Business

Check Reconciliation

Resolution # 307-2024

By Trustee Eggleston

Motion to place on file the check reconciliations as presented. Sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

Center Park Restoration - **5441** 6/3/24-9/30/24
Balance - \$ 6350.43

D.P.W. - **3068** 5/1/24-9/30/24
Balance - \$ 36,313.31

Economic Development - **8330** 6/3/24-9/30/24
Balance - \$ 149,215.53

Fink Creek - **5458** 6/3/24-9/30/24
Balance - \$ 480.50

General Fund - **8233** No report/update

General Fund Savings – **5177** No report/update

Helterline Park – **5185** 6/3/24-9/30/24
Balance - \$ 3,562.54

Housing Rehabilitation – 8322 Balance - \$ 47,790.36	6/3/24-9/30/24
Main St. Sewer Improvements – 5466 Balance - \$ 500,111.07	6/3/24-9/30/24
Money Market Public Fund – 3842 Balance - \$ 41,891.07	6/3/24-9/30/24
N. Main St. Homes – 5474 Balance - \$ 31,488.12	6/3/24-9/30/24
Police Vehicle – 3118 Balance - \$ 9,762.86	4/1/24-9/30/24
Sewer Savings – 5193	No report/update
Spohn’s Disposal – 3043 Balance - \$ 663.00	4/1/24-9/30/24
Trust & Agency – 8225	No report/update
Unemployment – 5201 Balance - \$ 36,400.37	6/3/24-9/30/24
Waste Water Savings – 5219 Balance - \$ 24,884.12	6/3/24-9/30/24
Water/Sewer – 8349	No report/update
Water Capital Reserve – 5227 Balance - \$ 2,594.98	6/3/24-9/30/24
Water Fund Savings – 5235	No report/update
North Main St. Waterfront Park – 5722 Balance - \$ 0.00	9/25/24-9/30/24

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams
NAYS: None
ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

***Payroll Certification
Resolution # 308-2024***

The following resolution offered by Trustee Eggleston sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

WHEREAS, Amber Kraszewski hereby submits for certification the following payroll period of 8/31/24-9/13/24 in the amount of \$ 44,079.88 be approved for payment from the appropriation authorized by the Village of Dolgeville Board of

Trustees.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

***Payroll Certification
Resolution # 309-2024***

The following resolution offered by Trustee Eggleston sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

WHEREAS, Amber Kraszewski hereby submits for certification the following payroll period of 9/14/24-9/27/24 in the amount of \$ 40,734.39 be approved for payment from the appropriation authorized by the Village of Dolgeville Board of Trustees.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

***Payroll Certification
Resolution # 310-2024***

The following resolution offered by Trustee Eggleston sec. Trustee Dyer. Ayes all.

WHEREAS, Amber Kraszewski hereby submits for certification the following payroll period of 9/28/24-10/11/24 in the amount of \$ 43,860.03 be approved for payment from the appropriation authorized by the Village of Dolgeville Board of Trustees.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

***Green Resiliency Grant
North Main Street
Waterfront Park***

Place on hold for a special meeting to discuss further including what the actual % match is for the village.

***Comp Alliance
Loyalty Award***

The Village of Dolgeville received a member loyalty award check from Comp Alliance in the amount of \$ 500.00 for the 2023-2024 policy year.

Water Shut Off List

50 water services are scheduled for shut off October 21, 2024.

Attorney

Village Attorney Karl Manne came before the Board on the following:

11-13 Van Buren St.

Update

Herkimer County has not taken possession of 11-13 Van Buren Street. Attorney Norman Mastromoro will contact County lawyer for updates.

AT&T Update

The Judge found that the ZBA failed to follow proper procedure with regard to SEQR and failed to apply the proper standard of review in granting the variance; accordingly, this is being remanded back to the ZBA for reconsideration.

Mayor Puznowski will contact AT&T lawyers to see if they want to pursue their application.

Executive Session

By Trustee Dyer

Motion to enter executive session @ 7:40 to discuss contract negotiations. Sec. Trustee Eggleston. Ayes all.

By Trustee Eggleston

Motion to adjourn executive session @ 8:00 p.m. and reconvene regular meeting. Sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

LOMR – Local Law

5-2024

Resolution # 311-2024

Village Attorney will prepare LOMR Local Law # 5-2024 for public hearing on November 18, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. – Village Hall. Copies to Herkimer County Planning Board for consideration.

By Trustee Williams

Motion to schedule a public hearing on November 18, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m. @ Village Hall to discuss LOMR Local Law # 5-2024. Sec. Trustee Eggleston.

AYES: Trustees Dyer, Eggleston, Gridley, Williams

NAYS: None

ADOPTED – October 21, 2024

Future Meetings

Special Meeting – October 24th @ 1:00 – Village Hall.

Special Meeting – November 4, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m. – Village Hall.

Adjournment

By Trustee Gridley

Motion to adjourn regular meeting at 8:40 p.m. Sec. Trustee Williams. Ayes all.

_____ Mayor

_____ Village Clerk