

**VILLAGE OF MILLERTON**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**April 14, 2025**  
**6:00 PM**

A Meeting of the Village of Millerton Board of Trustees was held Thursday, April 14, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM with Mayor Jenn Najdek presiding. Deputy Mayor Matt Hartzog, Trustee David Sherman, Trustee Lisa Hermann, Trustee Matt Soleau, Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Cope were present. The call was completed.

**Introducing Zoning Administrator, Justin Noyes**

Mayor Najdek introduced Justin Noyes as the Code Enforcement Officer.

**Vouchers**

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Soleau to approve vouchers 2022181-2022205 in the amounts of General \$10,754.49, Water \$9,876.42, and Fire Expenses \$5,990.95 for a total of \$26,631.86. All five (5) present members agreed.

**Resolution 2025-18**

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Hermann and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartzog to approve the proclamation that May 2025 is Mental Health Awareness Month. All five (5) present members agreed.

**Resolution 2025-19**

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Hermann to approve Village Hall being the polling place for Village Elections on June 17, 2025. All five (5) present members agreed.

**Resolution 2025-20**

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Soleau and seconded by Trustee Sherman to approve the appointment of Elizabeth Mosher and Nancy Vialpando as Election Inspectors for the Village Election to be held on June 17, 2025. All five (5) present members agreed.

**Approving Lease Agreement with Dutchess County Emergency Response**

Approving the lease agreement with Dutchess County Emergency Response has been tabled to the next meeting.

**Budget Public Hearing**

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Sherman to open the Budget Public Hearing at 6:05 PM. All five (5) present members agreed.

**Public Comment**

Kelly Kilmer -stated that 2022-2023 was the year the Town stopped giving the Village the \$36,000 because they did not renew their police contract. If the Village wants to hire new officers, they will have to supply the new officers with vests. Kelly Kilmer would like to see a contingency plan or a replacement plan to replace the vests. Instead of trying to increase their equipment every year, put something in place.

Kelly Kilmer- questioned what the extra revenue for the police is going towards since the town court budget is \$5,800 but revenue is \$8,300. Mayor Najdek responded that all administrative costs are billed to Town of North East.

Kelly Kilmer -asked what the tax cap was and what the overage was. Treasurer Cope responded that the tax cap was 1.02% with a local law passed to go over by 2%. Kelly Kilmer confirmed with Lisa Cope that the actual percentage was more like 3.02.

Major Najdek informed Kelly Kilmer that the town would still be keeping their end of the Summer Camp contract by providing the Village with \$40,000 even though summer camp will not happen this year.

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Hermann and seconded by Trustee Sherman to close the Budget Public Hearing at 6:42 PM. All five (5) present members agreed.

#### **Resolution 2025-22**

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Hermann to approve setting the adoption of the General and Water Budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026. All five (5) present members agreed.

#### **Resolution 2025-21**

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Hermann to authorize the issuance of a serial bond for the Eddie Collins Memorial Park. All five (5) present members agreed.

#### **Resolution 2025-23**

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Soleau and seconded by Trustee Sherman to approve the replacement of the water treatment shed. All five (5) present members agreed.

#### **Mayor Update**

In the past, Lopane's Nursery has done the Spring mulching at Eddie Collins Memorial Park, but it was always paid personally by someone who does not wish to pay for it this year. The cost is about \$3,800 and the money can come from the endowment fund.

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Hermann to approve Lopane's Nursery mulching Eddie Collins Memorial Park. All five (5) present members agreed.

On June 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM – 2 PM there will be a Millerton Street Fair hosted by the Millerton News, North East Community Center, and the Millerton Business Alliance.

On April 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 AM – 11 PM the Fire Department will be hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt at Eddie Collins Memorial Park.

#### **175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Logo Designs**

Trustee Hermann provided potential logo options to the board that will be chosen to represent the Village's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Soleau and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartzog to set the next meeting date to April 28<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM. All five (5) present members agreed.

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Soleau and seconded by Trustee Sherman to set the next meeting date to May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 PM. All five (5) present members agreed.

**Public Comment:**

Kelly Kilmer mentioned the trees that were paid for by donations and planted on South Center Street and were cut down without any permission from the Village of Millerton. Mayor Najdek stated that if the trees are replaced, it should not be replaced with a tree that large again and it needs to be memorialized who will be taking care of the trees in the future.

Deputy Mayor Hartzog stated there are community members who are interested in creating a tree inventory for the Village. There is funding available to do a tree inventor, like counting and documenting the state they are in, and making recommendations about what kind of trees to plant.

**Executive Session**

A **Motion** to enter executive session to discuss personnel salaries and matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person was made at 7:17 PM by Trustee Soleau and seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartzog. All (5) present members approved.

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Hermann and seconded by Trustee Soleau to exit Executive Session at 7:29 PM. All (5) present members approved.

**Adjourn**

A **Motion** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartzog and seconded by Trustee Soleau to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM All five (5) present members agreed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Cope

Village Clerk/Treasurer

Date approved: May 21, 2025

Prepared By:

Emerald Havelin

Deputy Clerk