

**Village of Iliion**  
**Village Board Regular Meeting**  
**June 24, 2015**

Mayor Leonard called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Village of Iliion Municipal Building Board Room.

**Present:** Mayor Terry Leonard, Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore, Trustee Fred Hartmann, Trustee Bridget McKinley, Trustee Kalman Socolof

**Also Present:** Village Treasurer Connie Gagliardi, Library Supervisor Thomasine Jennings, Marina Dockmaster Don Sterling, Village Clerk Cindy Kennedy

**Public:** 13

**Pledge:** Pledge was said by all present

This meeting was videotaped by Michael Lucia.

**Request for Appearance/Public Comment:**

- Zach Higgins: Eagle Scout Project Proposal: Zach Higgins is a Life Scout and a member of Troop 9. He presented to the Village Board his Eagle Scout project, which included updating and engraving the plaque in the Municipal Building that honors Iliion Eagle Scouts, the repair and repainting of the “Welcome to Iliion” sign on the eastern side of the village, and the repair and repainting of two benches on the eastern side of the village. He hopes to complete the project by mid-August and is fundraising to pay for all supplies necessary to complete the projects. The Board Consensus is to accept Zach Higgins’ Eagle Scout project.
- Bonnie Danforth- Columbia Parkway: Mrs. Danforth expressed her concern for the flooding that occurs frequently along Columbia Parkway. She has asked for assistance for many years and presented pictures and a description of damage done to homeowner properties in the neighborhood. A lengthy discussion followed on past handling of the situation and what the current Village Board has put in place to start the process.
- Dan DeGoff: Flooding on and around Columbia Parkway: Mr. DeGoff continued the discussion of the flooding that occurs on Columbia Parkway and adjoining streets.
- Mayor Leonard then presented the process that the Village has initiated to look at the flooding issues in the Columbia Parkway area. A meeting was held with Jessica Breiten of the HOOCP, two Engineering experts from Barton and Loguidice, Trustees Hartmann and McKinley, Village Treasures Gagliardi and Mayor Leonard. The meeting resulted in a plan to have Barton and Loguidice perform a study of the area. That study would provide the information needed to file a Consolidated Funding Application to include Engineering Design and Construction Project aimed at correcting flooding issues in the Columbia Parkway area. A motion to approve the hiring of Barton and Loguidice to

prepare a Consolidated Funding Application seeking funding of an Engineering Design and Construction Project for the Columbia Parkway area at a cost not to exceed \$3,000.00 was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

**Appointments/Resignations:**

- Court Appointment: A motion to reappoint Honorable Judge Jeff Stone as Acting Village of Ilion Court Justice for the 2015-2016 year was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

**Department Reports**

**DPW:**

- Report accepted as submitted
- Bandshell Use Consideration: Herkimer County Habitat for Humanity has requested the donation of the bandshell for a fundraiser at the Herkimer Methodist Church. A motion to accept reimbursement of the basic cost to place the bandshell and remove it was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Bike Racks: Suggested placement of the bike racks is as follows: Montgomery Street Playground inside the fence, Ilion Mall area near the Gazebo, Lower Playground of Russell Park, and Whalen Fields. The Board Consensus is to accept these placements.

**TREASURER:**

- Abstracts: A motion to approve the payments for the Abstracts was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

Village General	\$449,638.84- 6/25/15, \$21,167.56- 5/31/15	
Electric	\$86,665.74-6/25/15, \$187,573.39-5/31/2015	
Water	\$56,492.13-6/25/15, \$3,460.02-5/31/15	
Capital	Water Project \$136,932.88- 5/31/2015	Paving \$0.00
Library	\$3,664.48- 6/25/15, \$65.03- 5/31/15	
Small Cities	\$2,715.00- 6/25/15, \$628.50- 5/31/15	
M&T One Card (ACH)	\$668.36	
National Grid	\$2,208.00	

- A motion to approve the Budget Amendment submitted for CHIPS allocation from the New York State Department of Transportation in the additional amount of \$20,896.95 was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- A motion to approve allowing Mayor Leonard to sign the payment forms to McDonald Engineering for completion of the well construction in the amount of \$8,470 was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
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Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- A motion to approve payment of the invoice from Central New York Construction for work on the wells in the amount of \$32,412.00 was made by Trustee Hartmann and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- The Board will continue to review the unaudited fiscal year-end paperwork.

#### **WATER:**

- Report accepted as submitted
- A question was raised regarding the Water Department’s assistance to other Village of Ilion Departments. Mayor Leonard suggested a meeting with Village Board members and Water Department Heads to clarify the situation.
- A question was asked regarding “home visits” in the Water Department report. Mayor Leonard clarified that residents call with water issues and Department heads go to the residence to assist.

#### **LIGHTS:**

- Report accepted as submitted
- A question regarding information transfer by wi-fi versus cell phone was raised. There has been no indication yet as to a rate change for the transfer of information. That question will be raised to the company in the next conference call with Tantalus.
- Mayor Leonard will follow up on an Arc Flash study that was due in January of 2015.
- Rick Palumbo of Utilities Software Acquisitions needs to do an update to the Utilities software that the Village uses. A motion to approve the payment of \$1,100 for the upgrade of Utilities software was made by Trustee Hartmann and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

**LIBRARY:**

- Report accepted as submitted
- Trustee Socolof, as Library Liaison, discussed the need for a new chimney at the Library, due to the poor condition of the existing chimney. Since it is a new fiscal year, there are new grant opportunities to fund the work. The Village of Ilion owns the Library building, and, therefore, a motion to approve permission to allow the Library Board to pursue grant opportunities was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

**MARINA:**

- Report accepted as submitted
- A motion to allow Dockmaster Sterling to purchase new signs for the Marina at a cost of \$1,300 was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Keith Crane- Marina Commission: A motion to appoint Keith Crane to the Marina Commission’s open position, per Dockmaster Don Sterling’s recommendation, was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

**VILLAGE CLERK:**

- A motion to approve the 06.10.2015 Village Board Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
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Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Liquor License Renewal- Sorrento's: The liquor license for Sorrento's will be renewed as of 08.31.2015.
- Resolution #2015-18: A Resolution authorizing the award of a bid and the execution of a contract with CCI Companies, Inc. in connection with the East Street Neighborhood Sewer Improvements- Phase 1- General construction at a cost of \$419,067.50: A motion to approve Resolution #2015-18 was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Resolution #2015-19: A Resolution authorizing a transfer between line items of the ESDA/Rural Development Form Budget for Village of Ilion Water Filtration Plant and Dam Improvement Project: A motion to approve Resolution #2015-19 was made by Trustee McKinley and seconded by Trustee Socolof.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Village Clerk Kennedy read Correspondence from the Ilion Community Church thanking Mayor Leonard and the Village Board for serving the community.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Ilion Days Update: An updated calendar of events has been placed on the Ilion website.
- Remington Federal Credit Union Property Purchase: A discussion was held regarding the Remington FCU purchasing Village property in order to make a drive-thru window for banking. The Credit Union will not proceed with plans until the Village makes a decision to sell or not. The Board Consensus is to continue discussions with the Remington Federal Credit Union.
- Nixon Peabody Update: Nixon Peabody will not be billing the Village for any additional

work. Village Attorney Rose will continue with the Bond Anticipation Note work to close out the USDA project. There will be one more Bond Anticipation Note at a cost of \$500,000.

- Wetlands Update: The project is done. The final component, a sign that says “No Dumping,” is in place. A letter will arrive next week stating that the Consent Order has been completed. 14,901 tires were taken out at a cost of \$29,987 to dispose of them. \$52,000 was paid to the excavator.
- Woods Tire Update: Codes Chief Trevett expressed concern that the exterior of the Woods Tire Building could potentially accumulate unwanted piles of unused materials. Village Attorney Rose placed wording in the contract to avoid that situation. There also must be an Easement Clause in the contract to allow for work to repair the West Main Street Bridge. Village Attorney Rose will address this in the contract, also.
- Buy-out Program Update: New York State is preparing to finalize their component to send a letter to FEMA that includes 44 properties in the Village. New York State has indicated that there is enough money in the FEMA budget to buy out all 44 proposed properties. More information will be forthcoming.
- IBEW Update: Trustee Socolof summarized the three year contract negotiations. The contract runs from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017. The members will receive a 2% increase each year. Other points in the contract were clarified. A motion to endorse this Union contract was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

The next round of negotiations will involve the water department and the clerical staff.

- Summer Playground Program Update: Trustee McKinley met with Summer Playground Director Rachael Atwater. An end of summer picnic at Russell Park for the whole community is being proposed. The Town of German Flatts has allocated \$1,000 for use in Iliion youth activities. There will be group trips with the Mohawk Summer program. The program will start July 7<sup>th</sup>, with alternating days on Tuesday and Thursday, and Monday, Wednesday, Friday the following week. The Summer Youth workers will have an Orientation on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Asbestos Study Proposals: Engineers from Barton and Loguidice toured the Municipal Building and the Fire Station identifying areas containing asbestos. Two proposals have been submitted for full building surveys. The cost for the survey of the Village Hall and Police Station is \$3,400 plus \$810 for laboratory analysis. The cost for the survey for the

Fire Station is \$2,100 plus \$520 for laboratory analysis. A motion to approve the payment of \$3,400 for an asbestos survey plus \$810 for laboratory analysis of the Municipal Building and Police Station was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

A motion to approve the payment of \$2,100 for an asbestos survey plus \$520 for laboratory analysis of the Fire Station was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee Hartmann.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Renewal of Landfill Monitoring Contract: A motion to share the annual cost of \$12,700 in Landfill Monitoring with the Town of German Flatts was made by Deputy Mayor Moore and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

- Annual Unemployment Report: Mayor Leonard has distributed copies of the Annual Unemployment Report to the Village Board.
- National Grid Refund: A refund check was issued to the Village by National Grid in the sum of over \$112,000 due to an adjustment on a return on investment from 11.5% to 10%. A process will be put in place as to how the rebate will be distributed. Discussion took place on distribution. More information will be forthcoming.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

- NYS Comptroller Policies and Procedures Webinar information was distributed.

A motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiations was made by Trustee Socolof and seconded by Trustee McKinley.

The motion passes as a result of the following vote:

Mayor Terry Leonard	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Deputy Mayor Joanne Moore	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Fred Hartmann	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Bridget McKinley	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Trustee Kalman Socolof	X Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
<b>Vote Total:</b>	<b>5 Aye</b>	<b>0 Nay</b>	<b>0 Absent</b>	<b>0 Abstain</b>

Adjournment: 8:10 pm

### Executive Session

No actions were taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy A. Kennedy  
Village Clerk