

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
REGULAR MEETING
9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, NY 14063
August 18, 2025
6P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER-MAYOR FERGUSON

I call this meeting to order on Monday August 18, 2025 at PM

Roll Call of the Trustees:

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

TWICHELL/BRAUCHLER

WHEREAS members of this Board have read the Official Minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of August 4, 2025 and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the minutes as entered into the Official Minutes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

D. PUBLIC PORTION-

This portion of the meeting is for public comment. Any member of the public wishing to speak, once recognized, shall stand at the microphone, and state their name and address. Speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes if speaking for themselves or five (5) minutes if speaking on behalf of a group. I will ask the speakers to refrain from remarks that are in poor taste, slanderous, or not germane to any action taken or contemplated by the Board

E. CORRESPONDENCE-

Correspondence dated August 8, 2025 was received from Fire Chief Joshua Myers requesting Tara Whitfield be removed from the Active Roll of the Volunteer Fire Department.

ESPERSEN/TWICHELL

BE IT RESOLVED that the name Tara Whitfield be removed from the Active Roll of the Fredonia Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated.

Correspondence dated August 13, 2025 was received from Police Officer Adam Tanner resigning his position from the department, effective August 28, 2025.

SIRACUSE/WANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED that the resignation of Adam Tanner as a full-time Police Officer with the Village of Fredonia is effective August 28, 2025.

F. MAYOR'S REPORT-

G. TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS-

**Brauchler
Espersen
Siracuse
Twichell
Wandel**

H. TREASURER'S REPORT –

**I. ADDITIONAL REPORT-
CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT JULY 2025
JUSTICE COURT REPORT JULY 2025**

J. RESOLUTIONS-

BRAUCHLER/TWICHELL

BE IT RESOLVED that the regular and overtime payrolls of the various Village Departments and bills approved by the Finance Committee and set forth in Abstract #771 through #774 are hereby approved and directed paid and available in the Village Clerk's office, 9-11 Church Street, Fredonia, NY.

WANDEL/ESPERSEN

BE IT RESOLVED, that the training request of Luis Fred, Chief Operator at the Water Treatment Plant, to attend the 2025 Tifft Water Supply Symposium, Syracuse, NY on September 16-18, 2025 is hereby approved in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

SIRACUSE/ BRAUCHLER

WHEREAS pursuant to section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, a public hearing must be held on the adoption of proposed local law 4 of 2025 - "A local law amending Section 287-2A of the Code of the Village of Fredonia to provide a change in Water Rates.". Notice of such public hearing published in the official newspaper, (Observer), now, therefore,

**CODE ENFORCEMENT
MONTH END REPORT
July 2025**

BUILDING

Permits issued	36
Inspections	71
Cert. of Occupancy	28
Cert. of Compliance	16
Violations	14

Violations satisfied 11

.FEES COLLECTED

Building Permit	\$ 7,675.00
Rental fees	\$ 1,760.00
Cert. of compliances	\$ 1,170.00
Plumbing license fees	\$ ----
Hearings, water, sewer	\$ 200.00
Total fees	\$10,805.00

RENTAL

Permit
Inspection 22
Renewals 10

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Property Maint. Found -11- Removed -6-
Junk cars & Parts Found -3- Removed -1-

MISCELLANEOUS

Annual Fire Inspections: -14- Fire Notifications: 1
Appearance Tickets -0-
Complaints 5/2 satisfied
Demolitions

Stop Work Orders 2

Stop Work Orders are issued because of improper construction practices, or failure to get building permit

Thirty-six Permits generated \$ 7,675.00 in revenue. The estimated cost of work for the month of July was 1,434,004.00

VILLAGE OF FREDONIA JUSTICE COURT

Chautauqua County

9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, New York 14063
Phone: (716) 679-2312

Michael R. Carrie
Village Justice

Nancy A. Dietzen
Associate Justice

TO: Village Board
Village of Fredonia

Dear Board Members:

The following is the report for the month of JULY 2025.

Total number of cases closed: **180**

VEHICLE & TRAFFIC

112

CRIMINAL CASES

56

VILLAGE ORDINANCES

2

CIVIL CASES

9

ABC LAWS

1

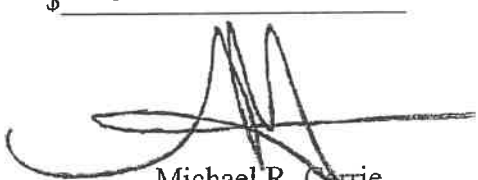
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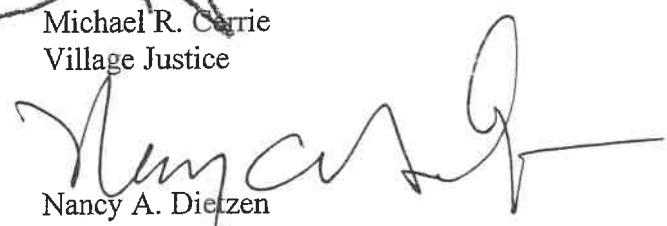
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TOTAL FINES & SURCHARGES \$ **5,273.00**

PARKING TICKET FINES \$ **1,499.00**

TOTAL \$ **6,772.00**


Michael R. Carrie
Village Justice


Nancy A. Dietzen
Associate Justice

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby schedules a public hearing on the 2nd day of September, 2025 at 5:00 P.M. in Trustees Room, second floor in Village Hall, 9-11 Church Street Fredonia New York, to receive comments on the proposed local laws. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of said hearing pursuant to Village Law.

LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2025

This local law shall be entitled "Local Law Amending Section 287-8A of the Code of the Village of Fredonia to Provide for an Increased Water Rate."

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

SECTION 1. Section 287-8A of the Code of the Village of Fredonia, last amended on February 19, 2024, by Local Law No. 1 of 2024, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 287-8A. Rates for metered water service within the Village of Fredonia:

A. For water supplied by the Village of Fredonia from and after September 2, 2025 and for each quarterly period thereafter, the following rates are hereby fixed and shall be collected on all water metered service within the Village of Fredonia: at a rate of \$7.60, per 1,000 gallons.

Note: Water Rates to the Town of Pomfret and Town of Dunkirk Water Districts or other outside of Village water customers shall be increased accordingly as provided by the contracts with the Village of Fredonia and such outside water customer.

SECTION 2. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of New York as required by law.

TRUSTEE BRAUCHLER/TRUSTEE TWICHELL

WHEREAS pursuant to section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, a public hearing must be held on the adoption of proposed local law 5 of 2025 - "A local law amending Section 237-15D of the Code of the Village of Fredonia to provide a change in Sewer Rates.". Notice of such public hearing published in the official newspaper, (Observer), now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby schedules a public hearing on the 2nd day of September, 2025 at 5:15 P.M. in Trustees Room, second floor in Village Hall, 9-11 Church Street Fredonia New York, to receive comments on the proposed local laws. and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of said hearing pursuant to Village Law.

LOCAL LAW NO. 5 OF 2025

This local law shall be entitled "Local Law Amending Section 237-15D of the Code of the Village of Fredonia to Provide for an Increased Sewer Charges."

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

SECTION 1. Section 237-15D of the Code of the Village of Fredonia, last amended on September 1, 2022, by Local Law No. 5 of 2022, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 237-15. Sewer rents; Sewer meters.

B. For sewer supplied by the Village of Fredonia from and after September 2, 2025 and for each quarterly period thereafter, the following rates are hereby fixed and shall be collected on all water metered service within the Village of Fredonia: a minimum charge of \$30.00 per quarter and at a rate of \$8.00, per 1,000 gallons consumption.

Note: Water Rates to the Town of Pomfret and Town of Dunkirk Water Districts or other outside of Village water customers shall be increased accordingly as provided by the contracts with the Village of Fredonia and such outside water customer.

SECTION 2. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of New York as required by law.

ESPERSEN/WANDEL

WHEREAS pursuant to section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, a public hearing must be held on the adoption of proposed Local Law #6 – "A local law establishing Chapter 350 of the Village Code entitled "BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM". Notice of such public hearing published in the official newspaper, (Observer), now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby schedules a public hearing on the 2nd day of September, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. in Trustees Room, second floor in Village Hall, 9-11 Church Street Fredonia New York, to receive comments on the proposed 2025 local law which is on file in the Office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Fredonia, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish notice of said hearing pursuant to Village Law.

TWICHELL/WANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor has permission to sign the award acceptance of the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) Wastewater Infrastructure Engineering Planning Grant (EPG) in an amount not to exceed \$50,000; with the Village's portion to be twenty percent (20%).

BRAUCHLER/TWICHELL

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to section 5-520 of Village Law, the following budget transfers are hereby approved

- \$770.25 A2770 Misc Income Grants to H8989.2 Cable Equipment

TWICHELL/WANDEL

WHEREAS, The Village received a grant through the franchise agreement for new equipment for the Cable Department; and

WHEREAS, the Cable Department has selected to purchase an Accsoon CineView Master 4K SDI/HDMI Wireless Transmission System and Genaray Batteries and Charger Kit for \$770.25; and

WHEREAS, the cable equipment is suitable for the Village's purpose; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED the Village Board hereby authorizes the purchase of an Accsoon CineView Master 4K SDI/HDMI Wireless Transmission System and Genaray Batteries and Charger Kit for \$770.25.

ESPERSEN/BRAUCHLER

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fire Department has permission to use the following vehicles for training purposes and will no longer be part of the Village's asset inventory:

2003 L200 Saturn VIN number 1G8JU54F13Y580301

2017 Ford Explorer VIN Number 1FM5K8AR7HGC56727

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION-

L. MEETING SCHEDULE-

The next Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees Workshop will take place Wednesday August 27, 2025 at 9AM and Board of Trustees Meeting on Monday August 18, 2025 at 6 PM in the Trustee Room, second floor, Village Hall, Board Meeting.