



## VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CITY

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### Village Board

Gregory Deemie, Mayor  
Luke Slota, Deputy Mayor

Richard Balles, Trustee    Bruce King, Trustee    Deborah Fuller, Trustee

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### **Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Johnson City Village Board held on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 in the Municipal Building, 243 Main St., Johnson City**

Present:            Gregory Deemie, Mayor  
                      Luke Slota, Deputy Mayor  
                      Richard Balles, Trustee  
                      Bruce King, Trustee  
                      Deborah Fuller, Trustee

Absent:            None

Also Present:    Thomas Johnson, Village Clerk/Treasurer  
                      Jeffrey Jacobs, Attorney for the Village

### **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- [1]    The next regular Village Board Meeting will be Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 7:30pm with a work session at 5:30pm
- [2]    Budget Meeting #2 will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday, March 19, 2015 in the first floor training room
- [3]    Budget Meeting #3 will be held at 6:00pm on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 in the first floor training room
- [4]    Budget Meeting #4 will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday, March 26, 2015 in the first floor training room

### **APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2015 regular meeting and work session and the March 10, 2015 budget meeting was made by Trustee Balles and seconded by Trustee Slota. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

**BIDS** - None

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- [1]    Village of Johnson City Local Law No. 3 of the year 2015, a Local Law Amending Chapter 188 of the Village Code to Further Preserve and Protect Village Park and Recreation Areas

Mayor Deemie open the public hearing.

*Andrew Holbert, Cook St.* – Asked for specific information on what the specifics of the local law are. Attorney Jacobs provided details.

Mayor Deemie open the public hearing.

**PETITIONS RECEIVED** - None



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**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS**

Mayor Deemie opened the first privilege of the floor. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Deemie closed the first privilege of the floor.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

A motion to accept and file the following Communications was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Balles. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Time Warner Programming Notice dated March 4, 2015

**COMMITTEE/BOARD REPORTS**

A motion to accept and file the following Committee/Board Reports was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee Fuller. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Minutes of the February 9, 2015 regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees
- [2] Minutes of the February 19, 2015 regular meeting of the JC Zoning Board of Appeals
- [3] Minutes of the November 13, 2014 regular meeting of the Binghamton-JC JSB
- [4] Minutes of the December 9, 2014 regular meeting of the Binghamton-JC JSB
- [5] Minutes of the January 13, 2015 regular meeting of the Binghamton-JC JSB
- [6] Minutes of the February 10, 2015 regular meeting of the Binghamton-JC JSB
- [7] Minutes of the February 23, 2015 emergency meeting of the Binghamton-JC JSB
- [8] Minutes of the March 4, 2015 regular meeting of the Town of Union Board

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

A motion to accept and file the following Department Reports was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee King. The motion carried with all those present voting in the affirmative.

- [1] Police Department 2014 Yearly Report
- [2] Police Department Monthly Report – January 2015
- [3] Department of Public Works Monthly Report – February 2015

**PAYROLL AND BILLS PRESENTED**

A motion to approve abstract #17 of the 2014 - 2015 fiscal bills having been audited by the Board and approved was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Balles.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes – 5 (Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie)      Nays – 0      Absent – 0**

GENERAL FUND	\$131,742.12
WATER FUND	\$16,507.02
SEWER FUND	\$73,684.34
REFUSE FUND	\$24,463.90
LIBRARY FUND	\$973.26

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None



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### NEW BUSINESS

#### FINANCE & RULES (All Board Members)

##### **Resolution #58**

A motion to approve Village of Johnson City Local Law No. 3 of the year 2015, a Local Law Amending Chapter 188 of the Village Code to Further Preserve and Protect Village Park and Recreation Areas was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee King.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

##### **Resolution #59**

A motion to authorize the Treasurer to make certain budget adjustments was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee King. (see attached)

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

##### **Resolution #60**

A motion to schedule a public hearing on the 2015-2016 Village Budget on April 21, 2015 at 7:35pm at Village Hall, 243 Main Street and authorize publication of notice of said public hearing was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Slota.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

**LIBRARY (Trustee Fuller)** – No new business

### PUBLIC SAFETY

**FIRE (Trustees Slota & Balles)** – No new business

**POLICE (Trustees Slota & Balles)**

##### **Resolution #61**

A motion to approve a travel request for Officers Tim Colgan and Travis Gilmore to attend the Initial Response to Active Shooters Course at the State Preparedness Training Center on Oriskany Falls, NY on May 14 & 15, 2015 at a cost of \$120.00 from budget line A3120.4.930 was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee Fuller.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

##### **Resolution #62**

A motion to approve a travel request for Officer Brian Berdine to attend the National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Course at the Apalachin Fire Department in Apalachin, NY on April 7 – 10, 2015 at a cost of \$85.00 from budget line A3120.4.930 was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee Balles.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0



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### **Resolution #63**

A motion to authorization to scrap a 1998 Jeep Cherokee VIN# 1J4FJ28S5WL265653, (true mileage unknown as the odometer does not work), formerly the Parking Enforcement Vehicle Car #744 as the vehicle is unsafe for driving, is currently disabled and beyond mechanical repair was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee King.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

### **PUBLIC WORKS (Trustees Slota & Fuller)**

#### **Resolution #64**

A motion to approve a travel request for Robert Bennett, Jeff Clark and Ian Lindhorst to attend a water training session in Vestal, NY on April 8, 2015 with said training session to obtain hours for NYS Department of Health credits required to retain the employees' Water System Operator Certifications pursuant to Subpart 5-4 of the State Sanitary Code at no cost to the Village was made by Trustee King and seconded by Trustee Slota.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

#### **Resolution #65**

A motion to approve the following resolution was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee King.

Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

WHEREAS, the Village is undertaking a rehabilitation of the Arch Street Bridge over the Norfolk Railroad (Project PIN 975375); and

WHEREAS, to complete the project certain temporary easements from neighboring property owners are necessary; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Johnson City here by approves the Temporary Easement Agreement and the Mayor be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute the Temporary Easement acquisition agreement with Mary B. Tasker; and,

BE IT, FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to execute any documents, forms, and other items related to the acquisition of the Temporary Easement in a form acceptable to counsel for the Village.

**RECREATION (Trustees Slota & Fuller)** – No new business

**PLANNING, ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT (Trustees King & Balles)** – No new business

**JOINT SEWAGE TREATMENT BOARD (Trustees King & Balles)**

#### **Resolution #66**

A motion to approve an ordinance authorizing transfers in the 2014 BJCJSB Budget to cover legal and professional services charges relating to the BAF project was made by Trustee Slota and seconded by Trustee King.



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Motion Carried - Vote:

**Ayes** – 5 (*Fuller, Slota, King, Balles, Deemie*)      **Nays** – 0      **Absent** – 0

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Johnson City and the Council of the City of Binghamton jointly approve the annual budget of the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board (“JSB”); and

WHEREAS, Inter-Municipal Agreement No. X sets forth the procedure for the JSB to request approval of budget transfers and modifications during the year or within 30 days thereafter so long as any transfers do not increase the JSB’s budgeted expenses for the year; and

WHEREAS, the JSB has complied with the IMA-X procedure, and it is appropriate to modify the JSB’s budgets by making the budget transfer, which transfers will not affect the overall amount of the JSB’s 2015 Capital budget and fund balance,

NOW, THEREFORE, the Trustees of the Village of Johnson City, duly convened in regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

Reduce appropriations on the Chemicals expense line by \$61,826.24

Increase the appropriated budget on line J8130.55410.J0BAF Professional Services – BAF by \$34,266.39

Increase the appropriated budget on line J8130.55430.J0BAF Legal Services – BAF by \$27,559.85

Directs the Binghamton Comptroller/Board CFO to make the necessary transfers within the Joint Sewage 2014 Capital Budget. Note that the \$34,266.39 amount is a contractual 3% owed on settlements to the NFA and may require booking a reserve until the claim and check be processed.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – VISITORS**

Mayor Deemie opened the second privilege of the floor.

*Corinna Johnson, Cook St.* – Asked if Chief Dodge could explain the zero tolerance policy that heard about from Officer Berdine.

*Police Chief Brent Dodge* – Chief Dodge explained that it’s not an official policy but a concentrated effort by the Police Department to improve the quality of life on Main Street and in the business district & downtown area. He provided some examples of the kinds of activities they are trying to curb.

*Trustee Bruce King* – Commended Chief Dodge on the recent article that appeared in the Press & Sun-Bulletin regarding his first several months as Chief.

*Carol Laskoski, Edward St.* – Asked if the groups of people causing problems downtown are congregating on the park benches in front of Village Hall. Chief Dodge and Mayor Deemie explained that they congregate further down.

*Julie Deemie, Zoa Ave.* – Thanked Chief Dodge for the increased focus on the Main Street & downtown area. Mentioned that there will be a bench on Main Street that will be moved that has been causing an issue for a local business.



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*Andrew Holbert, Cook St.* – Asked for clarification about Resolution #66 and the agreement number. Trustee King explained that it is a roman numeral.

Mayor Deemie recognized the attendance of County Legislator Ron Heebner at the meeting who commended Chief Dodge on his efforts to improve relations between the Police Department and the residents and the increased Police efforts in improving the quality of life in JC.

Mayor Deemie closed the second privilege of the floor.

### ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Deemie adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Johnson".

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Thomas Johnson  
Village Clerk/Treasurer

TJ/ds