

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 9, 2026

The Board of Trustees held the Regular Meeting on April 9, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. in the Village of Liberty, 167 North Main Street, Liberty, NY. Mayor Joan Stoddard opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Joan Stoddard, Deputy Mayor/Trustee Robert Mir, Trustee Ernest Feasel, Trustee Eveleese Lake and Trustee Jayneen Mills. Also Present: Gary Silver, Attorney for the Village, and Judy Zurawski, Clerk/Treasurer.

ALSO PRESENT: Police Chief Steven D'Agata, David Burke; Water Department, Lee Cogswell, Alyson Cogswell, Mark Doland and Deb Doland

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Mills and unanimously carried approving the following minutes:

❖ **REGULAR MEETING – March 19, 2026**

CORRESPONDENCE: Mayor Stoddard said the Village did not receive any correspondence during this time frame.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Stoddard opened the meeting to comments from the public.
There were no comments from the Public.

TABLED BUSINESS: **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EVENT PERMIT – “CAMPAIGN SERVICE”**

This matter will remain tabled while Police Chief D'Agata discusses the Event permit with the sponsors.

NEW BUSINESS: **CONSIDER SPRING CLEANUP**

RESOL. # 18-2026: Motion by Trustee Lake, seconded by Trustee Mills and unanimously carried approving Resolution #18-2026.

**VILLAGE OF LIBERTY
2026 SPRING CLEAN-UP**

Monday, May 11th
Tuesday, May 12th
Wednesday, May 13th
Thursday, May 14th

Friday, May 15th
 Saturday, May 16th
 Sunday, May 17th

All items for clean-up must be taken by Village Residents to the Village of Liberty Street Department garage at 46 Elm Street. No items will be accepted without a permit showing Village residency which can be obtained at the Village Clerk's Office 167 North Main Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

METAL WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO large stumps or rocks. **NO** household garbage. **NO** batteries. **NO** tires. **NO** hazardous waste. **NO** yard debris. **No** Fuel Tanks, Oil Drums and Propane Tanks. **NO** Paint. **NO** Electronic Equipment

Village crews **will not** make pick-ups at individual residences and the Sanitation Department will **not** take items left out for clean-up.

Hours of Operation:

Monday, May 11th - Friday, May 15th - 6:00 A.M - 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 16th - 8:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.

Sunday, May 17th - 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

After the Villages allotment is used up, the gates will be closed.

This program is made possible by the Sullivan County Legislature.

CONSIDER BID ON 2016 DODGE CHARGER SURPLUS

Motion by Trustee Mir, second Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving the bid of **\$100** from **Joshua Casiano** for the surplus 2016 Dodge Charger Surplus, which was opened March 19, 2026.

CONSIDER STIPULATION AND ORDER OF SETTLEMENT

RESOL. # 19-2026: Motion by Trustee Feasel, seconded by Trustee Mills and unanimously carried approving Resolution #19-2026.

WHEREAS, the Village of Liberty is bound by the determination of the Town/School in assessment matters;

WHEREAS, A Stipulation and Order of Settlement has been passed down from the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Sullivan on the premises of 100 Sullivan Avenue, Liberty, NY 12754 known as tax map 126.-1-15;

WHEREAS, the assessment of the settled parcel will be reduced as follows:

2022/23	-	\$49,000
2023/24	-	\$49,000
2024/25	-	\$49,000
2025/26	-	\$49,000

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; the Village is obligated to pay \$5,001.92 on this Order of Settlement.

CONSIDER EVENT PERMITS

Motion by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Lake and unanimously carried approving the following Permits:

EVENT PERMIT - CINCO DE MAYO EVENT
DATE: MAY 2, 2026
TIME: 10 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.
SPONSORED BY: LIBERTY RISING
VILLAGE/TOWN LIBERTY

PARADE PERMIT - MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
DATE: MAY 25, 2026
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
SPONSORED BY: VILLAGE/TOWN LIBERTY

The permits have filed the proper insurance requirements with the Village.

CONSIDER LAMAR ADVERTISING AGREEMENT

Attorney Silver asked Judy Zurawski to send him the contact information for Lamar Advertising so he can review the contract and additional information with them.

CONSIDER AGREEMENT WITH BLAUER ASSOCIATES FOR 2026 CDBG APPLICATION

RESOL# Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Mills and unanimously
20-2026: carried approving Resolution #20-2026.

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to engage Mark Blauer d/b/a Blauer Associates to apply for the Fiscal Year 2026 grant funds to the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR);

WHEREAS, Blauer Associates will prepare the application for Fiscal Year 2026 for the submission on behalf of the Village;

WHEREAS, the Village agrees to pay Bluer Associates a fee of \$3,750 with \$1875 due on the execution of this Agreement and the balance of \$1,875 due upon the submission of the application to OCR through the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Village Board of Trustees authorizes Mayor Joan Stoddard to execute said agreement, and it to be attested by Judy Zurawski on this 9th day of April, 2026.

CONSIDER SWEEPER RENTAL DPW – ONE MONTH

The Board tabled this item for further review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Stoddard opened the meeting to comments from the Public.

There were no additional comments from the Public.

TRUSTEE REPORTS: Mayor Stoddard opened up the meeting to comments from the Board.

Mayor Stoddard - No Comment

Trustee Mir - No Comment

Trustee Mills – No Comment

Trustee Lake - No Comment

Trustee Feasel - No Comment

BILLS FOR **Post Audit Vouchers for Payment**

PAYMENT: Motion by Trustee Mir, seconded by Trustee Feasel and unanimously carried approving the payment of Post Audit Voucher #845 to Voucher #850 in the amount of \$377,414.25.

ADJOURN: Motion by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Lake and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:30 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JUDY H. ZURAWSKI, CLERK-TREASURER

