

THE RUSHVILLE VILLAGE
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING AND
BOARD MEETING
April 13, 2026

DATE: 4/13/26

TIME: 6:45pm

PLACE: The Rushville Village Hall

PRESENT: Mayor Art Rilands, Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton, Trustee Doug Rigby, Trustee David Bradshaw, Trustee Chandra Gilman, Clerk Jeannie Kesel, Code Officer Tim Pagel, Public Works Supervisor Kyle Kuhner, Fire Chief Jim Adams.

Approximately 12 people attended the meeting (sign in sheet available at the Village Office)

RE: Salute to the Flag:

The Mayor asked everyone to rise and join in the Pledge to the Flag

The Mayor called the Organizational Meeting to order at 6:45 pm

Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton asked if there should be cameras in the park. Art said that there are two cameras on the back of the barn. Trustee David Bradshaw suggested that there be "Under Surveillance" signs be put up in different areas of the park. This might help deter vandalism.

Joanne Rosato from the Tree of Life Creative Studios was inquiring on the use of the new park stage/pavilion. The Board said a new rental agreement and a waiver should be drafted. Also, liability insurance should be looked into. Joanne would like to reserve the park for May 17th. Art said the Village would get back to her by May 1st. Jeannie will reach out to Matt Tett, our insurance agent, to review the Village's liability insurance.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman. A 2nd was received from Trustee Doug Rigby. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

The Mayor called the Public Hearing on the 2026/2027 Budget to order at 7:27 pm.

There were no public comments. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:30 pm.

The Mayor called the Board Meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

RE: Approval of Minutes:

The Mayor asked the Trustees if they had any corrections to the board minutes from the March 9, 2026 meeting. Trustee Doug Rigby made a motion to approve the March 9, 2026 minutes with corrections. Trustee Chandra Gilman made a 2nd to the motion. The motion carried. Trustee David Bradshaw and Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton abstained.

The Mayor asked the Trustees if they had any corrections to the tentative budget minutes from the March 30, 2026 meeting. Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton made a motion to approve the

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March 30, 2026 minutes with corrections. Trustee Doug Rigby made a 2nd to the motion. The motion unanimously carried.

RE: Public Comments:

- None

RE: 2026/2027 Final Budget:

- The Mayor asked the board had any questions on the final budget.

Trustee Chandra Gilman felt the cost of the new mower should be allocated over the four department and not just to the Cemetery. Art said the new mower was for the Cemetery and there were enough funds to cover the cost.

A motion to pass the Final 2026/2027 Budget was made by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton and was seconded by Trustee Doug Rigby.

There was a rollcall vote –

Trustee Doug Rigby	Yes
Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton	Yes
Trustee David Bradshaw	Yes
Trustee Chandra Gilman	No
Mayor Art Rilands	Yes

The motion carried.

RE: Resolution 6-2026 Authorizing Scheduling of a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law 2 of 2026 Repealing the Existing Village of Rushville Zoning Map, Repealing Articles I Through and Including XXI of the Existing Zoning Law of the Village of Rushville, Adopting a New Village Zoning Map, Adopting New Articles I Through XX of the Zoning Law of the Village of Rushville and Renumbering Article XXII of the Zoning Law of the Village of Rushville to be Article XXI:

The Mayor asked for a motion for Resolution 6-2026. Trustee Chandra Gilman made a motion for Resolution 6-2026 Authorizing Scheduling of a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law 2 of 2026 Repealing the Existing Village of Rushville Zoning Map, Repealing Articles I Through and Including XXI of the Existing Zoning Law of the Village of Rushville, Adopting a New Village Zoning Map, Adopting New Articles I Through XX of the Zoning Law of the Village of Rushville and Renumbering Article XXII of the Zoning Law of the Village of Rushville to be Article XX. Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton made a second.

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There was a rollcall vote –

Trustee Doug Rigby	Yes
Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton	Yes
Trustee David Bradshaw	Yes
Trustee Chandra Gilman	Yes
Mayor Art Rilands	Yes

The motion unanimously carried.

RE: Approval of Cheryl Hilton-Vadner as Trustee to the Library Board:

Trustee Chandra Gilman made a motion to approve Cheryl Hilton-Vadner as a Trustee to the Library Board. A second was made by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton. The motion unanimously carried.

RE: Mayor's Report:

- None

RE: Deputy Mayor's Report:

- None

RE: Public Works Supervisor:

Cemetery:

- All equipment is serviced and ready. The flags have been ordered.
- I've reached out to all old employees about the job opening. We have a few more sections to clean up from a tree that fell over the winter

Water:

- The project for the expansion has been going on now for two weeks. The hole is dug and the electricians have been rerouting the existing wiring for the pumps and the lift stations.
- We stocked up on more filter material and chlorine. The rain event disturbed the lake enough to require pretty constant backwashing. Chris was on duty for that and was able to keep the plant functioning throughout the night.

Sewer:

- We had significant I&I during the flood event. The plant work through it well
- A blower failed last week which has been replaced and is back to normal function
- The engineer study should be starting soon. Waiting on an update from Larson.

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Streets:

- The excavator is scheduled to be here this week to start repairs across the street. The massive amount of rain caused some drainage issues in various places throughout the village last week. I was able to tend to those issues while Chris worked at the water treatment plant.

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RE: Fire Report:

- Chief Adams' report is attached.
- Jim said that a \$37,000 grant has been awarded to purchase new gear. Rushville went in with Middlesex and Potter for the grant.

RE: Code Enforcement Officer:

- Issue Permits
- Inspection of projects in progress
- Finished the 1203 Report
- Working with Canandaigua National Bank to clean up 9 Chapel Street
- Completed 12 hours of webinar training
- Fire at 65 South Main Street

RE: Public Comments:

- None

RE: Clerk:

- Jeannie presented the 2025/2026 Relevy Report - \$27,291.53 from Yates County and \$8,239.06 from Ontario County.

RE: Bills:

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton and seconded by Trustee Doug Rigby to authorize payment of the General bills in the amount of \$22,814.22. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman and seconded by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton to authorize payment of the Cemetery bills in the amount of \$2,285.81. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton to authorize the payment of the Water bills in the amount of \$6,383.79. The motion was unanimously carried.

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A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton to authorize the payment of the Sewer bills in the amount of \$15,646.54. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doug Rigby and seconded by Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton to authorize the payment of the Capital Project bills in the amount of \$15,365.79. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion to go into Executive Session regarding a legal matter was made by Trustee Doug Rigby. A 2nd was received from Deputy Mayor Karen Gorton. The motion was passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

A motion to open the meeting at 8:24 pm was made by Trustee Chandra Gilman. A second was received from Trustee Doug Rigby. The motion was unanimously passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Doug Rigby. A 2nd was received from Trustee Chandra Gilman. The motion was unanimously passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie Kesel, Clerk/Treasurer