

Working Meeting  
Thursday January 9, 2025

Present from the Village : Mayor Henry, Trustee DeGroff, Trustee Johnson, Trustee Medak  
Present from the Public : Patsy Nicosia from Times Journal and Moser-Cohen from The Wiggle Farm LLC

Mayor Henry called Meeting to order at 12:06PM

- Mayor Henry presented a letter from the Planning Board requesting that the Village Planning Board be designated as Lead Agency for the MainBridge Commons project. After discussion, the Board agreed to make a Motion

**Motion** made by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee DeGroff unanimously carried to approve designating the Village Planning Board as Lead Agency for the MainBridge Commons project.

- Cloudpermit – The Board decided to continue with the digital subscription for 2025 to include the new Code Enforcer Officer in future discussions and to seek assistance from Cloudpermit to improve functionalities for all users.
- New Town and Village Justice James M Bryant has agreed to serve in this position to replace retired Justice Frederick Kennedy. The Board will formally approve this nomination at the regular Village Board Meeting on January 14, 2025.
- Garbage/Recycling Issue – It was decided to gather more information on the possibility of choosing a single vendor to collect residential and commercial refuse and recycling in the Village.
- Parrott House – The new owners of the Parrott House have renewed the building permit and work is continuing.
- Fee Schedule – The Board reviewed the City of Albany and the Village of Cobleskill fee schedules for building permits, construction and other zoning matters. It was decided that fees based on value of the project rather than square footage were more appropriate for the Village. A complete schedule still needs to be developed and will be done in consultation with the new Code Enforcement Officer in February.
- Street Lighting Project – Mayor Henry reviewed the recent discussions with both National Grid and the New York Power Authority. The New York State Public Service Commission will also need to approve this project. Financing for the project will be 4.75%.
- Jeremy May – Trustee Johnson reported on his recent discussions with the Young Sommer Law firm. Papers are almost finalized and will be filed with the New York State Supreme Court in Schoharie by the end of January.
- Bridge Street House – Dave Brennan will communicate with the owners of the property and raise the possibility of the Village purchasing the property for its current fair market value.
- Zoning Board of Appeals – In order to expedite consideration of the Mainbridge Commons project, Trustee Johnson will consult with Jessica Loden-Kirby, Chair of the Village Zoning Board.
- New Owners of the Taco Shack – The owners (Moser and Cohen) asked for special assistance in receiving approval for the installation of a wood-burning pizza oven. Mayor Henry arranged an inspection with Cliff Dorough, the Town of Schoharie Code Enforcement Officer, for this purpose.

**Motion** made by Trustee Johnson, second by Trustee DeGroff unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 1:18PM