

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point, New York held on March 4, 2024, at Halstead Hall, Civic Center, 39 Lake Street scheduled to commence at 7:00PM.

**PRESENT:** John J. LaBonte, Mayor  
Dale Menard, Trustee  
Nicholas C. Southwick, Trustee  
Brian S. Pelkey, Trustee  
Benjamin J. Arno, Trustee

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Arsene F. Letourneau, Treasurer  
John Cooper, Code Enforcement Officer

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** Christopher Latremore, Clerk/Administrator

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Mayor LaBonte called the meeting to order at 7:00PM and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

No one addressed the board.

**REGULAR SESSION:**

**II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Trustee Menard made a motion to accept the minutes of February 20, 2024, seconded by Trustee Southwick. **ALL VOTED AYE.**

**III. BILLS: \$43,371.11 CHECK # 30332-30360**

Treasurer Arsene F. Letourneau indicated that there were no additions and no deletions to the bills.

Trustee Menard made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Trustee Pelkey.

**ALL VOTED AYE.**

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Administrator/Clerk Latremore advised that a comprehensive plan survey has been placed in everyone's utility bill and encouraged the residence to complete the survey.

Administrator/Clerk Latremore advised the board that the village needs to advertise for qualified Engineering Services for Water and Wastewater System Projects.

Trustee Menard made a motion to advertise for qualification for Engineering Services for Water and Wastewater System Projects seconded by Trustee Southwick. **ALL VOTED AYE**

**V. REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES:**

**A. MAYOR JOHN J. LABONTE**

1. Mayor LaBonte read resolution 2024-6 calling for an increase in the Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) program.  
Trustee Menard made a motion to approve resolution 2024-6 seconded by Mayor LaBonte.

**Roll call:**

**Trustee Pelkey AYE**  
**Trustee Southwick AYE**  
**Trustee Arno AYE**  
**Trustee Menard AYE**  
**Mayor LaBonte AYE**

2. Mayor LaBonte advised the board that the village received an application from Sherri Baker for the position of part-time crossing guard.  
Trustee Pelkey made a motion to approve Sherri Baker as a part-time crossing guard seconded by Trustee Menard. **ALL VOTED AYE**

**B. TRUSTEE DALE MENARD:**

1. Trustee Menard stated that the village workers are doing an excellent job and thanked them for all their hard work.

**C. TRUSTEE BENJAMIN J. ARNO**

1. Trustee Arno thanked the village crew for remodeling the village office and stated that they were doing an excellent job. Trustee Arno encouraged village residents to stop by the office and look at the remodeling project.
2. Trustee Arno stated that glasses for the April 8, 2024, eclipse could be picked up at the village office or the library.

**D. TRUSTEE BRIAN S. PELKEY:**

1. Trustee Pelkey advised the residence that the Public Works crew is going to be repairing the potholes throughout the village caused by the plow.
2. Trustee Pelkey indicated that he would like the driveway going to the stage extended past the stage with a small turn around. Trustee Pelkey believes this will make it easier for the bands with their equipment, as well as the food trucks, during the fourth of July celebrations.

#### **E. TRUSTEE NICHOLAS C. SOUTHWICK:**

1. Trustee Southwick stated that March 8, 2024, is the last day to register with county board of elections to be eligible to vote in the village election on March 19, 2024.
2. Trustee Southwick stated that the Civic Center has posted dates and times for public skating and stick-N- puck. Trustee Southwick stated that the dates and time can be found on the village Website and Facebook page. Trustee Southwick continued to state that the dates and times are subject to change.

#### **VI. OTHER REPORTS:**

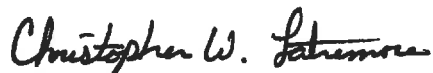
Nothing to report currently.

#### **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Arno made a motion to adjourn at 7:16PM, seconded by Trustee Menard.

**ALL VOTED, AYE.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Christopher W Latremore  
Village Clerk/Administrator