

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF NORTH COLLINS BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON MONDAY, March 16, 2026 AT 6:30 PM.

Mayor George called the Regular meeting to order at 6:30pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Vincent George Trustee Corinne Leone
Clerk/Treasurer Erica Ward Trustee Lisa Voss
Trustee Charles R. Lantaff

Excused Attorney Richard Schaus
Excused Trustee Richard Bley

**MOTION to approve minutes of the February 23, 2026 Regular Meeting
Minutes made by Trustee Bob Lantaff. Seconded by Trustee Lisa Voss.
Unanimous. Carried.**

VISITORS:

Michael Gullo	John Spengler	Norm Andolina
Dan Kehr	Vicki Kehr	John Mills
Lindsay Demmerly	Lynn Divincenzo	Mike Ortiz
David Haidon	Phil Tremblay	Jay Alessi
Jim Duffy	Ried Smith	Rich Cooper
Jackie Bollinger	Micaela Bollinger	Frances George
Judge Wayne Luther	Nick Enders	Mike Wittmeyer
Carol Wittmeyer		

Erie County Legislature, John Mills came to present a proclamation to Mayor Vincent George to honor all of his years of service to the residents of the Village of North Collins. Mayor George is retiring after 27 years of working for the residents.

Town Justice Wayne Luther spoke about people who Mayor George encouraged throughout their lives and thanked him for his years of service.

Village Resident John Spengler representing the Historical Society congratulated the Mayor on his retirement. The Historical Society will be displaying pieces of the plane that crashed in Lanford/New Oregon back in April of 1958. The collection of pieces will be on display starting April 4th until the 30th.

Town Board Councilperson, Mike Ortiz, came to thank Mayor George for working great with the Town of North Collins and also with his children and family.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Second January Sales tax remittance – 9.42% higher than the corresponding 2025 transfer. Year to date receipts same as last year at this time.

Ehmke Quote – The quote of \$8456 is for back up emergency replacement parts for the pump.

**MOTION to purchase emergency backup parts for the pump from Ehmke in the amount of \$8456 made by Trustee Robert Lantaff.
Seconded by Trustee Lisa Voss. Unanimous. Carried.**

Natures Pride Quotes – There is a lot of overgrowth at the water building located on Milestrip Road. The first quote is to cut, remove and clean up 40 trees, no stumps at \$14,000. The second quote is same work, but 20 trees in the amount of \$8,000. No decision was made. Tabled for the new Board.

Williamson Tax Support – The annual tax software support is due in the amount of \$1089.

MOTION to renew annual tax software support in the amount of \$1089 made by Trustee Lisa Voss. Seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone. Unanimous. Carried.

Time off requests –

Paul Parnitzke request time off from April 2nd through April 13th, 2026.

MOTION to approve time off for Paul Parnitzke from April 2nd through April 13th made by Trustee Lisa Voss. Seconded by Trustee Bob Lantaff. Unanimous. Carried.

Paul Parnitzke requested time off from May 21st until May 28th, 2026.

MOTION to approve time off for Paul Parnitzke from May 21st through May 28th made by Trustee Lisa Voss. Seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone. Unanimous. Carried.

Keith Ayers requested time off from April 28th through May 1st, 2026.

MOTION to approve time off for Keith Ayers from April 28th through May 1st made by Trustee Lisa Voss. Seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone. Unanimous. Carried.

Revise Budget Meeting – The next budget meeting is being moved to Tuesday March 24th at 5pm. The final budget meeting will be on April 15th at 5pm.

Set SEQRA Public Hearing – The new Board will have to set up this public hearing.

Motion to table the date of this hearing made by Trustee Lisa Voss. Seconded by Trustee Corinne Leone. Unanimous. Carried.

TRUSTEES REPORTS:

Trustee Lantaff – Fire report – 6 calls for February. The flow testing was completed. North Collins Volunteer Fire Company Election results: President-Chris Bley, Vice President-Ryan Mathis, Secretary-Kristina Miller, and Treasurer-Dave Spicola. Board of Directors-Brent Miller and Dave Spicola. Chief-Keith Ayers, 1st Assistant Chief-Aron Ayers and 2nd Assistant Chief-Paul Lawton II. Captains-Jim Mallaber, Ryan Mathis and Dan DeCarlo.

Trustee Voss – Attended the NEST meeting. They discussed the NYS bill called NYS Dark Skies Protection Act that will restrict how and when outdoor lights can be used to reduce light pollution. They are also hiring a moving company, with grant money, to pick up and dispose of anything containing freon. They are hoping to have this up and running in the fall. NYS is having problems with vapes. They are a fire hazard and they can't decide whether they are electronics or medical waste. The home on High Street will be going up for auction. The house on Vermont has been sold. She has called the county twice in regards to the sidewalk in front of the vacant property on Main Street. They need to repair that slab they dug up when they tore down the building. Also, the company hired to do our sidewalks this past summer need to come back and do repairs. The next paint and electronic pick up is on the 18th from 2:30 to 4:30pm. There is a mattress leaned up against the building across from the firehall that has been there for months. Can Phil call or write up the owner? Lastly, don't forget to go out and vote in the Village election on the 18th.

Trustee Leone – Reminded everyone to make sure and vote on Wednesday

the 18th. Phil spoke that the house on Spruce Street is close to putting up a for sale sign. While at her swimming class, out of town residents commended our school musical and all of the restaurants offered in our village. Has there been any progress on Santello Drive? Erica explained it was worse than we expected. Keith was already planning on doing some repairs to the area with the CHIPS money, but with the water flow change made by a local homeowner it caused a lot of damage and made the road erode away. Pictures and documentation has been forwarded to Village Attorney Richard Schaus. Lastly, the Village Association meeting will be held Thursday at Josif's.

Trustee Bley – Excused

Water Report – Monthly testing and reporting completed. Maintenance and cleaning completed. DEC water withdrawal report completed. Repair was made for the chlorine system. Well 5 is back running.

Highway Report – A chain was replaced in the big salter. A DI was repaired on School Street. The shop was cleaned and summer equipment is being prepped. Winter equipment should be coming off in April. The new truck was delivered to Valley Fab.

Motion to approve Village wide garage sales are to be held on June 12th, 13th & 14th and September 11th, 12th & 13th made by Trustee Corinne Leone. Seconded by Trustee Lisa Voss. Unanimous. Carried.

MOTION to Approve Payment of Bills February/March Abstract #10: \$28,207.33 made by Trustee Corrine Leone. Seconded by Trustee Lisa Voss. Unanimous. Carried.

MOTION to Adjourn at 6:54pm made by Trustee Robert Lantaff. Seconded by Trustee Lisa Voss. Unanimous. Carried.

Minutes submitted by,

Erica Ward, Clerk / Treasurer

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