

***AGENDA SUMMARY***  
***EVANS MILLS VILLAGE BOARD MEETING***  
***April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 6 PM – Regular***

1. Stand for Pledge
2. Approval of Minutes from April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023
3. Introduction to 4-Year Term for Mayor and Trustees
4. NEPA Signing Resolution
5. Additional Meeting for SEQR Bond Resolutions
6. Proposed Changes - A Local Law to Strike and Replace  
Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2004 (previously named  
Sidewalk Law)
7. Update from Clerk-Treasurer – Taylor Scheer
8. Update from Superintendent – David Edwards
9. Executive Session
10. Adjournment

## **Stand For Pledge**

Call to order regular monthly meetings.

## **Approval of Minutes from April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Village Board Minutes of April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, board meeting. Motion to approve or amend as read or reviewed. A motion was made by Trustee Palmer and Seconded by Trustee Fleming.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

## **Report from Steve Wood**

Village Board members reviewed police reports for April 2023.

## **Jack Brand, 200 Club**

Mr. Brand gave an update on what 200 club is doing for the Community Park, dugouts will be added onto the far side of the field where the old bleachers were. They will also be raising the fenced area due to baseballs flying into the woods. The Scoreboard will be handled by 200 Club and the Davis Foundation. Board members agreed to improvements that will be provided by 200 Club & Davis Foundation. Baseball season will start next week, May 15<sup>th</sup>.

The first weekend in August will be Davis Baseball Tournament. Friday, Saturday Trash Cans will be provide.

## **Introduction to 4-Year Term for Mayor and Trustees**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF EVANS MILLS**

**WHEREAS**, Board Member Robert Boucher has introduced for consideration Local Law No. 5 of 2023 entitled “A Local Law to Amend the Term Limits of the Office of the Mayor and of all Members of the Village Board of Trustees by enlarging the Term Limits from Two Years to **Four** Years” (the “Proposed Local Law”); and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Proposed Local Law is to extend the terms of office for the Mayor and all members of the Village Board of Trustees (the “Village Board”) pursuant to Village Law §3-302 for the Village of Evans Mills (the “Village”); and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the Mayor and of the members of the Village Board are currently two official years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board deems it necessary and appropriate to extend and modify such terms of office of the Mayor and of the members of the Village Board to four official years so as to ensure steady and consistent leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board is authorized, pursuant to Village Law §3-302 (5)(a) to enact the Proposed Local Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board desires to comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and its implementing regulations set forth at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations"), with respect to adoption of the Proposed Local Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village desires to comply with the requirements of the New York Village Law and the New York Municipal Home Rule Law and shall schedule a public hearing to allow the public to comment on the Proposed Local Law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Board will hold a public hearing on June 8th, 2023 at 6 p.m. to hear all persons interested in the above-referenced Proposed Local Law and to consider the adoption of such Proposed Local Law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Village Board hereby classifies the Proposed Local Law as a Type II Action under SEQRA involving the "adoption of regulations, policies, procedures and local legislative decisions" as set forth in Section 617.5(c)(33) of the Regulations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Village Clerk/Treasurer shall cause notice of such public hearing to be published in the official Village newspaper in accordance with all legal requirements.

The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was moved by Teresa Fleming, seconded by Greg Smith, and duly put to vote, which resulted as follows:

Robert E. Boucher	Voting	Aye
Mary F. Palmer	Voting	Aye
Teresa M. Fleming	Voting	Aye
Gregory L. Smith	Voting	Aye
Edward O'Brien	Voting	Aye

A motion was made by Trustee Fleming and Seconded by Trustee Smith to approve the public hearing on June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6 pm.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

## **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF EVANS MILLS**

The Village of Evans Mills Board of Trustees designates Mayor Robert Boucher as the Certifying Officer for the National Environmental Policy Act review of the Village of Evans Mills Sewage Treatment Facility Improvements project.

Robert E. Boucher	Voting	Aye
Mary F. Palmer	Voting	Aye
Teresa M. Fleming	Voting	Aye
Gregory L. Smith	Voting	Aye
Edward O'Brien	Voting	Aye

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Fleming to designate Mayor Boucher as the Certifying Officer for NEPA.

### **SEQR Bond Resolutions**

The Board of Trustees needs to schedule a special meeting for the SEQR and Bond Resolutions for the Wastewater and Disinfection Treatment Facility Project.

A motion was made by Trustee Plamer and seconded by Trustee Smtih to hold a special on May 19<sup>th</sup> at 3PM in the Village Office for the SEQR Part 2 & 3 along with the updated Bond resolutions.

### **A Local Law to Strike and Replace Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2004**

The Public Hearing was canceled for this law due to proposed changes.

Renaming the law “**Standards for Grounds and Property Exteriors**” due to its wide variety of coverage. It will be Local Law #4 of 2023.

Other Changes: Mowing

No votes.

### **Report from Clerk-Treasurer**

Ms. Scheer, Mayor Boucher, and Trustee Fleming held interviews for the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer. Ms. Scheer would like permission to hire Melissa Dobbins as the Evans Mills Deputy Clerk-Treasurer & Tax Collector. Ms. Dobbins will start on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

A motion was made by Trustee Fleming and Seconded by Trustee Palmer to hire Melissa Dobbins as Deputy Clerk-Treasurer & Tax Collector.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

Ms. Scheer would like to give Water/Sewer customers \$5.00 off their water/sewer bills for submitting a photo of their water lines coming into their properties for the new regulations implanted by EFC. A motion was made by Trustee Palmer and seconded by Trustee Fleming to give water/sewer customers \$5.00 of the next quarterly water bill dated for September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

Ms. Scheer received invoices from WCP Consultants for the NEPA Report and for the Median Household/Low Income from G&G Municipal Consulting Services for the Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements and Disinfection Project. They are included in the Sewer Abstracts.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

**Audited Vouchers:**

GENERAL FUND: A motion to pay bills on Abstract 12, vouchers \$10,55.19

WATER FUND: A motion to pay bills on Abstract 12, vouchers \$2,408.29

SEWER FUND: A motion to pay bills on Abstract 12, \$7,540.06

LIBRARY FUND: The village will submit bills on behalf of the Village Library on Abstract 12, totaling \$4,241.52.

A motion was made by Trustee Fleming and seconded by Trustee Palmer to approve Abstract 12 for General, Water, Sewer and Library Funds.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

**Summer Recreation:**

A motion to hire Summer Recreation Director Emily Backes and Recreation Assistants based on interviews was made by Trustee Palmer and Seconded by Trustee O'Brien.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

Recreation signups will be on July 8<sup>th</sup>. The program will start on July 10<sup>th</sup> and end on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Library Oaths of Office:**

A motion to approve the following appointments for the Evans Mills Public Library was made by Trustee Palmer and seconded by Trustee Fleming.

Bryanna Fleming

Denise Smith

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

## **Monthly Report from Superintendent**

Mr. Edwards would like to hire George Stanford for the position of Full-Time Laborer.

Mr. Stanford will be starting on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Trustee Palmer and seconded by Trustee Smith to hire George Stanford as a Full-Time Laborer.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Fleming to purchase the Ram 3500 for \$58,735.43 from Bob Johnson in Watertown and to purchase equipment from MDI Truck for \$44,000.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

Excess Property

A motion was made by Trustee Smith and seconded by Trustee Fleming to auction off the 1990 Ford Dump Truck along with the sander.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

## **Executive Session**

A motion was made by Trustee Fleming and Seconded by Trustee Palmer to go into executive session for personnel.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

A motion to close the executive session was made by Trustee Smith and Seconded by Trustee Palmer.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

### **Adjournment:**

The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 7:37

Motion Mary, Edward

A motion was made by Trustee Palmer and Seconded by Trustee O'Brien to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm.

Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0

***Motion Passed***

Submitted By:

*Taylor Scheer*

Clerk-Treasurer