VILLAGE OF RENSSELAER FALLS

May 11, 2026

6:00 P.M. Regular Monthly Meeting

Present: Mayor Michael Hammond, Deputy Mayor Connie McAllister, Trustee Samanth Booth, Trustees Nicholas Calton, and Trustee Shirley Calton, Village Clerk Lisa Hammond and Sewer Superintendent Mark Basford

Absence: Code Enforcement Officer Ron Dulmage, and Attorney Henry Leader

Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance

6:00 p.m. Mayor Michael Hammond opened the regular meeting

1. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance

2. Appropriations: Sewer and General

Bills were audited by Trustees Connie McAllister and Trustee Nicholas Calton

Motion to approve bills.

Motion: Shirley Calton Seconded: Samantha Booth Vote: unanimous

3. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of May 13, 2026 were approved

Motion: Connie McAllister Seconded: Nicholas Calton Vote: unanimous

4. Reports: Departments and Committees

a. Sewer Report: Mark Basford was present.

26 Hours reported by Mark Basford and 36 Hours reported for Jared Murray for the Month of March.

Basford reported that the Plant is running good and has only one sand bed to finish up. Travis Wood will be submitting a bill for the equipment used this past fall. Sewer locations were conducted on KIng and State Street for a resident. Discussion was

held on the high prices of chlorine. Mayor Hammond and Basford held discussion on moving forward with the feasibility study.

Motion: Nicholas Calton Seconded: Connie McAllister Vote: Unanimous

b. Code Enforcement Report: Code Officer Ron Dulmage was not present. Clerk Hammond noted she is in contact with Dulmage.

c. Clerk's Report: Clerk Lisa Hammond reported that she reported to the retirement system for the Sewer Department employees. Clerk Hammond noted that she is continuing with the Library Grant meetings. National Grid paper work sent for the hanging of the veteran banners on poles. Hammond reported the sales tax check in the amount of $17,022.93 was received.

Motion: Shirley Calton Seconded: Samantha Booth Vote: unanimous

d. Mayors Report: Mayor Michael Hammond stated that the website is up to date now that the new computer is up and running. Hammond noted that when he receives information about the upcoming Mayors dinner he will pass it on. DOH paper work has been filed with the county for the sale of food during garage sales. Hammond noted that a resident has offered the Village to purchase a piece of property. Discussion will be held at a later date.

Motion: Connie McAllister Seconded: Nicholas Calton Vote: unanimous

e. Committees - Falls Festival/Trees/Village Office - Library

On May 23, 2026 the Falls Festival committee will hold a fund raising including a food truck, bands, and concessions. Village wide garage sales will be held on May 23rd. Superior Propane has donated $4,500.00 to date to the festival committee. Collins Hammond has donated $2,500.00

Fence proposals will be going out for the playground in May.

Motion: Nicholas Calton Seconded: Samantha Booth Vote: unanimous

5. New Business:

a. Basket/ Pickle Ball Fence/Sitework

Mayor Hammond asked the board's approval to put out a RFP for work to be done at the playground. Discussion was held. Approval was made by all.

Motion: Nicholas Calton Seconded: Samantha Booth Vote: unanimous

b. Town of Canton. SLC summer work l

Mayor Hammond is going to reach out to Steven Smith about the Front and State Street quotes for one layer of binder on each.

c. Local Law for Chicken Containment:

Mayor Hammond stated that a resident has brought this forward to the Code Enforcement Officer. Hammond and Ron Dulmage both reached out to Attorney Henry Leader on the matter. Mayor Hammond stated he miss-spoke on social media about the rules and containment of chickens in the Village. Rensselaer Falls has nothing in their code about containment. Discussion was held on the matter. No action taken at this time on creating a local law. Trustee Samantha Booth recused herself, as she owns chicken. Use and Develop law was discussed with no action taken.

d. Approval of Sewer Relievies to the County

Motion: Samanth Booth Seconded: Connie McAllister Vote: unanimous

6. Updates:

a. Library/Community Center Project: Discussion

Mayor Hammond stated that he continues to attend meetings on the ongoing project. Hammond stated that the Electrical entrance will be going in at any time. Trustee Samantha Booth attended the last Steering Committee meeting of the Library and was very impressed with the enthusiasm of the group. Booth noted that it was a good meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE VILLAGE BOARD

Trustee Connie McAllister made a motion to pay the Rensselaer Falls Fire Department

$500.00 for flushing sewer lines out in the Village. Clerk Hammond noted that this has not been done in a few years. Motion was seconded by Trustee Connie McAllister. All voted in favor.

Trustee Samantha Booth stated she has been asked about dogs being allowed in the playground area. A brief discussion was held and will be taken up with the Playground Committee.

6:34 p.m. Closed Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Motion:Connie McAllister Seconded: Nicholas Calton Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted:

Lisa Hammond, Village Clerk