At the Regular Meeting of the Malone Village Board, Held on November 25, 2024, at 9:00AM 343 West Main St. the Following were present:

Andrea Dumas Mayor
Norman Bonner Trustee
Matthew Boyea Trustee
Brian Langdon Trustee

Excused Absence:

Archie McKee Trustee

Also in attendance:

Kristine Lashway, Village Treasurer

Rebahka Scaccia, Village Clerk

Tom Schulz

Lucas Gerrand, DANC

Dave Rohe, DANC

Paul Scott

Alex Violo

Mayor Dumas called the meeting to order at 9:06AM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING

11/12/2024

Upon the motion of Trustee Boyea with a second by Trustee Bonner and unanimously carried to approve the minutes and place on file.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING

11/20/2024

Upon the motion of Trustee Bonner with a second by Trustee Boyea and unanimously carried to approve the minutes and place on file.

TREASURER'S REPORT

PAY BILLS:

Fund	Amount	# of Bills Audited
General/Sewer/Water	\$225,598.99	67
Joint Recreation Fund	\$316.86	6
State Grant Fund	\$13,312.86	2

Trust & Agency	\$148,935.90	8
Grand Total	\$388,164.61	83

Upon the motion of Trustee Bonner with a second by Trustee Boyea and unanimously carried to approve the minutes and place them on file.

> Resolution 165-2024 – B2024-2025 Budget Amendment #8

Village of Malone Resolution No. 165-2024 2024-2025 Budget Amendment No. 8

Related to the appropriation and/or transfer of funds:

Now, therefore be it resolved: The Village Board of Trustees amends their Budget as follows:

From	Streets - Diesel	A5110.463	\$1,000.00
To	Streets - Supplies & Materials	A5110.410	\$500.00
То	Streets – Streets Storm Grates	A5110.410.90	\$500.00
From	Sewer Department – Tools	G8120.410.30	\$300.00
То	Sewer Department – Drug/Alcohol Testing	G8120.447	\$300.00
From	Code Enforcement Salary	A3620.150	\$1,000.00
То	Code Enforcement Purchased Services	A3620.440	\$1,000.00

Motion Made By: Trustee Boyea Seconded By: Trustee Bonner

Approved by Board of Trustees on November 25, 2024.

> Resolution 166-2024 – Resolution in Support of Continued and Increased State Aid for Local Governments

VILLAGE OF MALONE RESOLUTION NO. 166-2024

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUED AND INCREASED STATE AID FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, until 2024, cities, villages and towns had not received an increase in unrestricted state aid (AIM funding) in 15 years, significantly impacting their ability to provide essential services to their residents; and

WHEREAS, after a prolonged period without financial support, local governments finally received an increase of \$50 million in unrestricted state aid; and

WHEREAS, local officials express their gratitude for the \$50 million increase in unrestricted state aid, recognizing it as a positive step towards addressing long standing funding challenges; and

WHEREAS, the State has referred to this new aid as Temporary Municipal Assistance, suggesting that such increase may not continue, jeopardizing the sustainability of crucial municipal programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the property tax cap further limits the ability of local governments to properly fund the programs and services their residents need; and

WHEREAS, increased and ongoing state aid for local governments is vital for maintaining infrastructure, public safety, housing and other municipal services; and

WHEREAS, the challenges of inflation, the increasing costs of labor and supplies, and the end of extraordinary federal aid only accentuate the need for consistent and predictable funding to effectively plan for the future and meet the growing needs of their residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Malone calls upon the Governor and the State Legislature to commit to continuing the additional \$50 million in unrestricted state aid in the 2025-26 State Budget and beyond, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Malone urges state officials to recognize the need for a long-term plan that ensures consistent and predictable increases in financial support for local governments that keep pace with inflation.

A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblymember Billy Jones, and the New York State Conference of Mayors (NYCOM).

Motion Made By: Trustee Bonner Seconded By: Trustee Boyea

Approved by Board of Trustees on: November 25, 2024

POLICE REPORT

Chief Andre noted that all recruits had completed their on-the-job training.

Swearing in of Connor Hesseltine as Detective with the Malone Village Police Department.

CODE REPORT

> Resolution 167-2024 - Easement Crossing Agreement - Thomas Hill Village of Malone Solar, LLC

VILLAGE OF MALONE RESOLUTION NO. 167-2024

AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR TO SIGN GRANT OF EASEMENT WITH THOMAS HILL VILLAGE OF MALONE SOLAR LLC

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone ("Grantor") is the holder of a certain sewer easements (the "Easement Area") over the properties belonging to Scott R. Smith, located off Fort Covington St, Fort Covington St in Village of Malone, in the County of Franklin, in the State of New York, 12953 and with Tax ID's of Section: 98.71 Block: 2 Lot: 1, for the purpose of operating and maintaining a sewer line and related infrastructure (the "Sewer System"); and

WHEREAS the existing Easement Area is described in the following way: Permanent Easement granted to the Village of Malone dated 7/22/1960 covering location of a sewer line crossing the premises consisting in part of a 12" pipe and in part of a 10" pipe, together with two manholes recorded on 8/22/1960 with the Franklin County, New York land recorder's office in Liber 394, Page 80; and

WHEREAS, Grantee is leasing parts of the property adjacent to or underlying the Easement Area and wishes to construct, install, and maintain underground electric cables that will temporarily or permanently cross the Easement Area; and

WHEREAS, Grantor agrees to allow Grantee to cross the Easement Area, subject to the terms and conditions of the attached Agreement (Attachment A);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the mayor to sign the Grant of Easement with The Thomas Hill Village of Malone Solar, LLC.

Motion Made By: Trustee Bonner Seconded By: Trustee Boyea

Approved by Board of Trustees on: November 25, 2024

DPW Report

> DANC October 2024 Monthly Report

Report reviewed and placed on file.

> NYSDEC Order on Consent Revised – For signature Approval

VILLAGE OF MALONE RESOLUTION NO. 168-2024

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION ORDER ON CONSENT R5-20240409-2409

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone received A Notice of Violation (NOV) from the NYSDEC requiring an evaluation of the sewer collection system and the development of a management plan; and

WHEREAS, the Village complied by submitting the evaluation and plan on June 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, despite implementing the management plan, the Village continued to experience overflows, so on April 27, 2023, DEC staff issued a second NOV directing the Village to update its sewer system management plan to provide that known problem areas will be inspected and cleaned more frequently as a preventative measure, and in response to which the Village submitted the updated plan as requested on May 22, 2023; and

WHEREAS, despite these compliance actions, in the past twelve months the Village has reported nine sanitary sewer overflows due to blockages in the past year, as well as two overflows caused by inflow and infiltration (I/I) from wet-weather events that discharged untreated sewage to the Salmon River, a class C(T) waterbody, all of which the Village has diligently reported to the DEC in written Reports of Noncompliance after each event; and

WHEREAS, in response to these events the NYSDEC has issued a Violation and served the Village with an Order on Consent, in which there is a civil penalty of \$2,925.00 resulting in a suspended penalty of \$2,340.00 and a payable penalty of \$585.00, as long as the Village fully and timely satisfies the requirements of the included Schedule of Compliance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Village Board of Trustees authorizes the mayor to sign the NYSDEC Order on Compliance R5-20240409-2409 and remit the \$585.00 payable penalty.

Motion Made By: Trustee Boyea Seconded By: Trustee Bonner

Approved By Board of Trustees on: November 25, 2024

➤ Mr. Paul Scott – 3878 ST RT 11E

The Village Board, DANC and Mr. Scott discussed the sewer related issues at 3878 St. Rt. 11E.

> DPW Reports: 11/13/2024 – 11/25/2024

Reports reviewed and placed on file.

> NYMIR - Letter and Attestation Form for DPW Vehicles

Village Clerk will confirm with DPW that all Heavy and Extra Heavy vehicles have been equipped with battery disconnect switches.

CORRESPONDENCE

> New York Reciprocal Insurance Annual Review Letter and Recommendations

The Village will work through addressing and remedying the noted items.

> United Way of the Adirondack Region 2025 Campaign Letter and Packet

The Village will include information on the campaign in employee payroll envelopes as a voluntary item.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

> Resolution 169-2024 – Approval of BGR Power Inc's Proposal for Generator Hook-Up

VILLAGE OF MALONE RESOLUTION NO. 169-2024

APPROVAL OF BGR POWER INC'S QUOTE FOR CONNECTION OF NEW KOHLER GENERATOR AT 343 WEST MAIN STREET

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone new Kohler Generator located at 343 West Main Street is in need of being connected to the natural gas line; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a quote from BGR Power, Inc. in the amount of \$3,100.00 to make the connection;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of Trustees approves the quote from BGR Power Inc., in the amount of \$3,100.00.

Motion Made By: Trustee Bonner Seconded By: Trustee Langdon

Approved By the Board on: November 25, 2024

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 170-2024 – Authorization for Mayor to Sign Agreement with GYMO Engineering for Rec Park Future Design Project

VILLAGE OF MALONE RESOLUTION NO. 170-2024

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER CONTRACT WITH GYMO ENGINEERING FOR MALONE RECREATIOIN PARK FUTURE GROWTH PLAN PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Village of Malone has received funding to obtain a new Recreation Park Future Growth Plan; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Quotes was posted in the local paper with a submission deadline of September 20, 2024 at 3:00PM; and

WHEREAS, the Village received two quotes from separate engineering firms;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Board of Trustees authorizes the mayor to sign a contract with GYMO Architecture, Construction Management Engineering, and Land Surveying for the development of an updated Malone Recreation Park Future Growth Plan at a cost of \$41,000.00.

Motion Made By: Trustee Bonner Seconded By: Trustee Langdon

Approved By Board of Trustees on: November 25, 2024

NEXT MEETING

> Organizational Meeting, Monday, December 2, 2024 at 4:00PM; Regular Meeting, Monday, December 9, 2024 at 9:00AM; Work Session, TBD

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tom Schulz asked if there was a way to put a walking path between the Tennis and Pickle Ball courts from the Soccer field parking area on Duane St, to the main parking area. Mayor Dumas noted there was a small creek that flows through that area, but perhaps a bridge could be discussed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon the motion of Trustee Bonner with a second by Trustee Boyea and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session on a Contractual matter.

Upon the motion of Trustee Bonner with a second by Trustee Boyea and unanimously carried to come out of Executive Session.

Upon the motion of Trustee Langdon with a second by Trustee Bonner and unanimously carried to go back into regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the motion of Trustee Boyea with a second by Trustee Bonner and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 12:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebahka Scaccia, Village Clerk