

**Village of Millport
Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2026**

Meeting brought to order @ 7 pm by Mayor Michael Damon.

Present: Mayor Damon, Trustees Auld, Grow, Trimber and Kraus.

Pledge of Allegiance & A Moment of Silence

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (Session One) Mary Hartsock, 1984 Maple Street Millport, New York states that she is having trouble with water pooling in front of her house and into her driveway. She states it freezes and is very slippery and needs something to be done with it. Trustee Grow will get ahold of the Town of Veteran and see what they can do about it.

Communications:

- Normal magazines & flyers

Minutes & Bank Statements: Trustee Auld moved, seconded by Trustee Grow to dispense with reading & accept the minutes and the bank statements as submitted. VOTE: *Ayes:* All ayes. Vote carried.

Superintendent of Streets:

- Approval of Shared Services Agreement with State DOT, the current agreement expires 1/26/26. A motion was made by Mayor Damon and seconded by Trustee Auld to accept the Shared Services Agreement. Vote Ayes: Auld, Grow, Trimber, Kraus & Damon. Vote carried.

Water Report:

- Ti Sales would like permission to store old and new meters in Whitney's Garage which is owned by the Village. There is room in the garage for this. The Board was in agreement to let Ty Sales store the meters.
- Mary Brown from Hunt Engineers contacted Mayor Damon stating Ty Sales offered the Village a leak detection price for \$264 (5 year price as they will need to be replaced in 5 yrs.) We would need 25 but the minimum order is 30. This is not included in Grant monies and the Water Fund will fund this. Mayor Damon made a motion to purchase the leak detection devices at a price of \$264 each, totaling \$7,290.00, plus installation at a cost of \$2000.00, seconded by Grow. Vote: Ayes: Kraus, Trimber, Grow, Auld, Damon.

Fire Council: Chief report received
CHO report received

Code Enforcement: Report received.

- It was reported that the Village has the legal option to move forward to dispose of the house on stilts – 4177 Main Street by removal. The cost paid by the Village will be added to the tax bill for the property. Mr. Ripley submitted bids for the removal of the house before the board can make a decision. 2 Bids received, LCP Group, Inc. \$16,500 and Swartout Recycling for \$12,000. A third company was contacted but did not submit a quote. A motion was made by Damon to accept the bid from Swartout Recycling for \$12,000, seconded by Auld. Vote taken: Ayes: Kraus, Trimber, Grow, Auld, Damon. Vote carried.
- If an Air Quality Company needs to be called for the property @ 4177 Main St., a motion was made by Trustee Auld, seconded by Trustee Grow to approve a bill not to exceed \$3000. Vote in favor: Kraus, Trimber, Grow, Auld & Damon.

Planning Board:

- Chair Mary Hartsock reported that the updated proposed Comprehensive Plan is being emailed to the board and the attorney for their review. They will resume meeting this month and correct a couple of typo's. A motion to accept the plan was made by Trustee Trimber and seconded by Trustee Auld. Vote: Ayes: Auld, Grow, Trimber, Kraus, Damon. Mayor Damon thanked the members of the Planning Board for the work they have done.
- Mayor Damon reported that Planning Board member Heather Merrill has requested to step down from her position for personal reasons. He requests that when the water bills are sent out again to send a notice in the news letter that there is an opening on the Planning Board.

Recreation & Youth Activities:

- Trustee Auld reported that Family Days attended a fund raiser with baked goods and wreaths and raised an approximate \$428.00. The next activity for fund raiser is a quarter auction at the Moose Club.

Old Business:

- Update on window for Clerks office, Hetricks will be here on Thurs. 1/8 @ 9 am. of put the window in.
- Funds due to State for COVID relief returned on 12/4/25 – now wait for Notice of Recoupment.

New Business:

- Leonard Kemmerer as resigned as Village Historian. A replacement will be discussed at a later date.
- Independent nominating petitions to interested parties for the election to be held March 18th 2026. Said petitions are due back to the Clerk's office on or before February 10, 2026.
- A motion was made by Trustee Kraus and seconded by Trustee Auld to adopt the following resolution,
WHEREAS, the Village of Millport has scheduled the annual Election for the Village of Millport;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Election for the year 2026 shall be held on March 18, 2026 at the Village Hall at 4246 Main St. Millport, NY. Said hours of election will be from 12:00 noon until 9:00 pm. VOTE: Ayes: All ayes. Vote carried

Village Accident, Sickness, Death:

Bills:

- Resolution for paying bills.
A motion was made by Trustee Kraus and seconded by Trustee Auld to adopt the following resolution:
WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees requests to pay the prepared list of bills
Totaling: \$69,752.14 This includes the recent bill from BPD in the amount of \$1,757.25.
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board authorizes the payment
In the amount of \$9,773.43 from the General Fund
\$56,798.46 from the Water Fund, and
\$3,180.25 from the Trust & Agency Fund.
VOTE: Ayes: All ayes. Vote carried.

Public Comments: (Session Two)

AJOURNED: A motion was made by Mayor Damon and seconded by Trustee Grow to adjourn the meeting @ 8:00p.m. **Vote:** Ayes: Trimber, Kraus, Grow, Auld, Damon. Vote carried.
Meeting re-opened @ 8:06 Motion made by Damon and seconded by Kraus to appoint David Trimber become our IT Specialist. Vote: Ayes: Auld, Grow, Kraus, Damon A. Trimber abstained.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:10 pm. Motion made by Damon to adjourn seconded by Auld. Vote taken, all Ayes.

Respectfully submitted by:
Lillian West/Joan Santulli
Village Clerk/Treasurers