

# Village of Youngstown

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## Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes – January 9, 2025

Village attendees	Present	Absent	Village attendees	Present	Absent
Mayor Rob Reisman	x		DPW Supt. Greg Quarantillo	x	
Deputy Mayor Rick Stortecky	x		Police Chief Shawn Bosi	x	
Trustee Catherine Stella	x		Recreation Director Jeff Gruarin	x	
Trustee Kristel Stevens		x	Attorney Tom Caserta	x	
Trustee Nicole Quarantillo	x		Engineer Bob Lannon	x	
Clerk-Treas. Amy Beaudreau		x	Deputy Clerk-Treas. Kim Winning	x	
Deputy Clerk Alex Certo	x				

*Reminder to all Trustees and Department Heads: Use the microphone closest to you while speaking. Turn the microphone off when not speaking. Please turn off or silence all cellular devices.*

### QUORUM ANNOUNCEMENT:

Deputy Clerk Certo announced there is a quorum and the meeting can proceed.

### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Reisman at 7:01 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Mayor Reisman stated a copy of all written reports submitted prior to the meeting are available for public viewing on the table with agenda and the sign in sheet in the board room.

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

#### Abstract of Audited Vouchers:

Mayor Reisman read vouchers for the period from December 12, 2024 through January 9, 2025:

General:	\$ 39,008.91
Water:	\$ 17,644.29
Sewer:	\$ 687.15
H-Cap	\$ 216,091.24
Trust:	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 273,431.59

Mayor Reisman asked for a motion for approval of the Abstract of Audited Vouchers. The motion was made by Trustee Quarantillo and seconded by Trustee Stella. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

**Sales Tax:**

Mayor Reisman stated the November 2024 monthly Sales Tax distribution to the Village of Youngstown was received on December 27, 2024 in the amount of \$43,381.56 from Niagara County. Year to date Sales Tax is \$495,206.03. The same year to date for NC Sales tax was \$453,213.59.

So noted.

**Budget Amendment(s):**

**701 Nancy Price/Cold Storage 2025 County/Town Tax:**

Mayor Reisman stated a budget amendment in the amount of \$440.41 is needed.

Money will need to be moved from A1990.4 Contingency to a code created A1620.42- Cold Storage Expenses.

Attorney Caserta shared 701 Nancy Price formally known as Cold Storage is anticipated to close in the next week therefore the Village will not be responsible for this payment which is due January 31, 2025.

Mayor Reisman stated the board should vote on the budget amendment in the event that the closing does not occur prior to the invoiced tax bill being due.

Mayor Reisman asked for a motion needed on the budget amendment for 701 Nancy Price/Cold Storage 2025 County/Town tax. The motion was made by Trustee Stella and seconded by Trustee Quarantillo. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

**CONTRACTS/AUTHORIZATIONS:**

**Village Historian:**

Mayor Reisman stated Karen Noonan stepped down from the Village Historian position due to family reasons. The Village expresses gratitude to Karen Noonan for her valuable time and expertise in her role.

Mayor Reisman read Peter Pfohl, a longtime resident of the Village, stated he would graciously accept the position if offered.

Peter Pfohl was appointed by Mayor Reisman January 8, 2025.

So noted.

Village Historian Peter Pfohl introduced himself and expressed enthusiasm for the position.

**Planning Board/Zoning Board:**

Mayor Reisman reported Norm Papaj, Barry Long and Daniel Summerville were appointed by Mayor Reisman January 8, 2025 for the Planning and Zoning Board volunteer positions.

So noted.

**2025 Youngstown Volunteer Fire Company Officers:**

Mayor Reisman read the following:

Revised: As of 1/6/2025

Chief: Eric Wieland

1st Assistant Chief: Greg Quarantillo

2nd Assistant Chief: James Panton

3rd Assistant Chief: John Mies

EMS Captain: Suzanne Burrows

EMS Lieutenant: Tim Fogarty

Line Secretary: Wendy Shaw

Financial Secretary: Nicole Quarantillo

Steward: Tim Wilkesmore

Executive Board:

President: Greg Robertson

Vice President: Gary Bowman

Treasurer: Tim Wilkesmore

Recording Secretary: Kristen Acome

Trustees: James C. Acome

Scott Szarejko

Superintendent Quarantillo stated that there was an additional Trustee to be added to the YVFC Officers list named James C. Pollow.

Deputy Clerk Certo stated she would update the records.

During the discussion regarding the new 2025 Youngstown Volunteer Fire Company Officers, Trustee Quarantillo stated a potential conflict of interest and recused themselves from the vote.

Mayor Reisman asked for a motion needed on the YVFC 2025 Officers. The motion was made by Trustee Stella and seconded by Deputy Mayor Stortecky. All in favor. Trustee Quarantillo abstained. Motion carried.

**BUILDING/PARK USE REQUESTS:**

### **Gym Rental- Birthday Party**

Mayor Reisman read Alexandra Certo has requested the gym on January 25, 2025 from 3-7 for a birthday party. This has been approved by Recreation Director Gruarin and doesn't need setup by the DPW.

So noted.

### **ITEMS / DISCUSSION/ CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### **Mighty Niagara Marathon:**

Mayor Reisman stated an email from Colleen Daddario from Niagara Hospice came in on December 13, 2024 for their upcoming event the Mighty Niagara Half Marathon which is scheduled for October 4, 2025. This will follow the same route with the starting line at Artpark and post-race party at Porter on the Lake, passing through the Village.

Mayor Reisman asked for a motion for boards support and approval for the Mighty Niagara Half Marathon annual Hospice 5k Dash. The motion was made by Trustee Quarantillo and seconded by Trustee Stella. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **BOARD REPORTS:**

Trustee Stella shared the chamber has hired a new president; announcement pending.

Upcoming fall meeting dinner for Youngstown Business Professional Association at Ray this Tuesday at 6:00 PM. YPBA is also planning for St. Patty's Day events.

Trustee Quarantillo shared the Village Recreation department had a successful Christmas in the Village event with Santa arrived on a fire truck. Trustee Quarantillo asked for community feedback for future events. Trustee Quarantillo shared Fire company has discontinued the Explorer program for youth ages 14-16 due to low participation however YVFC does have a restricted program for members starting at age 16 allows participation in state classes and calls with three restricted members currently, including Trustee Quarantillo's son, Gregory.

Deputy Mayor Stortecky provided a Recap of activities and funds raised in 2024 provided; no new updates as there has not been a meeting in 2025. Deputy Mayor Stortecky extended his thanks to Norm and Peter for their volunteer efforts.

Mayor Reisman updated the board with ARPA funds allocation. Total funds available are about \$21,000. Mayor Reisman stated the roof repair is approximately \$12,000. The elevator shaft is around \$4,500 and the floors will be replaced in the Police Department as well as the Clerk's Office leaving around \$1,000 for new chairs for the Board Room.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Reisman stated comments shall be kept to 3 minutes and directed to the Village Board of Trustees.

Susan Bray of Campbell Street, addressed the board. Resident Bray requested transparency regarding storage material at DPW dump site. Resident Bray inquired about the cleared area of approximately 2 acres between Veterans Park and Swain Road. Mayor Reisman stated that is the beginning foundation of hopefully possibly moving our DPW over there.

Resident Bray asked if any old material from the Cold Storage building would be placed there. Mayor Reisman stated that the concrete may be placed there.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Reisman stated the Village Board will have a work session Thursday, January 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Reisman shared the American Red Cross will be at the Village Center on January 21, 2025 from 11:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The board will enter into executive session immediately following the board meeting to discuss personnel decisions. A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m. was made by Trustee Quarantillo and seconded by Trustee Stella. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

*Alexandra Certo*

Alexandra Certo  
Deputy Clerk