The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Village of Haverstraw Board of Trustees on Monday September 2, 2025 beginning at 7:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL	Trustee Bueno	- Present
	Trustee Carlevaro	- Present
	Trustee Santana	- Absent
	Trustee Sena	- Present
	Mayor Kohut	- Present

Mayor Kohut: The Mayor opened the meeting with the first Public Participation of the night.

Andrea Caccuro 34 First Street: Ms. Caccuro spoke to the Board about the next mural to be painted in the downtown. They've engaged an artist who is designing panels that will go on 61 Main Street. He is currently working with Ozzie, the DPW Commissioner, regarding the best way to hang them and adhere to the windows without doing any damage to the building. He's also going to take 1 panel and have public participation during the Food Crawl, then take it back to his studio and clean it up and then install it on the building. It's a representation of a "day in Haverstraw". They had also sent him the information from the branding company and he used those ideas in the design.

The Board was happy with the design and location and thanked Ms. Caccuro.

Mayor Kohut also informed Ms. Caccuro that there was development scheduled on the building next door.

Mayor Kohut:
REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICIALS

VILLAGE ATTORNEY, Jay Hood, Jr.: Counselor Hood had nothing to report.

VILLAGE TREASURER, Alicia Boudreau: Ms. Boudreau had nothing to report.

MAYOR'S REPORT, Mayor Kohut: The Mayor reported that the Board had received a request from the North Rockland Rotary for a sponsorship ad in their Taste of North Rockland journal.

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the sponsorship at a cost of $250.

RESOLUTION # 174 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the request from Narciso Peralta for a speed hump on Rhoda Ave.

RESOLUTION # 175 - 2025

Motion by: Rafael Bueno
Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the request for a handicap parking space at 16 Middle Street. After discussion this was approved subject to Trustee Bueno's confirmation.

RESOLUTION # 176 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the sponsorship request from the North Rockland Soccer Association for Village kids participating in the league, in the amount of $1,100.

RESOLUTION # 177 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Esther White, Chief Justice Court Clerk, effective September 12th: with regret.

RESOLUTION # 178 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to approve the request from the Judge to fill the vacancy in the position of Chief Justice Court Clerk with Sally Capellan who is presently Assistant Court Clerk, with a 4 to 6-month probationary period and at a reduced salary to be negotiated.

RESOLUTION # 179 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to reject the first set of bids for the Outdoor Recreation project because they came in way too high and, a motion to go back out to bid for the Outdoor Recreation project with some adjustments to the bid specs and possibly breaking it into phases.

RESOLUTION # 180 - 2025

Motion by: Rafael Bueno
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to authorize the Clerk to go out for bids on the Jefferson Park project.

RESOLUTION # 181 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to authorize him to negotiate with Lindstar regarding the repair of camera #15, located at Broadway & Samsondale.

RESOLUTION # 182 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

The Mayor had nothing further to report.

Mayor Kohut:
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FIRE & ORDINANCES – Trustee Rafael Bueno Sr.: Trustee Bueno stated that he had a completed application for membership to the Haverstraw Fire Department from Julian Elias Lopez – General Warren Co. #2

Mayor Kohut entertained a motion to accept him into the Haverstraw Fire Department.

RESOLUTION # 183 - 2025

Motion by: Rafael Bueno
Seconded by: Gil Carlevaro
Motion Carries: All

Trustee Bueno read the following report of fire activity for the month of August 2025, submitted by Fire Chief Tom Price.:

Total Alarms	-	19
General Alarms	-	12
Special Calls	-	6
Mutual Aid Calls	-	1
Structure Fires	-	0
Cooking Fires	-	0
Electrical Fires	-	3
Trash/Rubbish Fires	-	1
Pump Outs	-	1
Extrication Calls	-	1
Locked in child	-	1

Drowning Call	-	3
Good Intent/Misc.	-	2
False Alarms	-	8
Total Manpower Responding	-	259 members

Nothing further to report.

PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Deputy Mayor Carlevaro read the following report submitted by Osvaldo Reyes, Commissioner of Public Works, as of September 2, 2025:

TASK LIST

- Painted crossing bars white
- Milling and paving parking lot for fire house #1
- Painted the DPW sign
- Made a speed hump on Liberty St
- Blacktopped a section of Mckenzie and made a speed hump
- Painted yellow lines on Broadway 3 way stop
- Installed new signs on Fairmount for sweeper to clean
- Painted all handicap signs throughout the Village
- Fixed guardrail on river front and Westside Ave.
- Paved Coolidge Street

Deputy Mayor Carlevaro had nothing further to report on DPW.

YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES - Trustee Rich Sena: Trustee Sena reported on the following activities at the Community Center:

- Project Embrace continues
- Haverstraw Collaborative meets on Sept, 3rd between 12 & 2
- Homework help begins on Sept. 3rd for grades 3 through 8
- Positive Activities for Youth program had 10 participants go to a recent Boulders game
- On Sept. 16th the monthly youth celebration will take place
- Strengthening Families takes place Sept. 18th through Oct. 23rd
- Celebrating Families program sessions will be beginning
- On Saturday Sept. 6th, in conjunction with Fairmount Baptist Church, bookbags will be distributed at Emeline Park

Trustee Sena had nothing further to report.

BUILDINGS & CODE ENFORCEMENT – Trustee Joel Santana: Trustee Santana was absent so Deputy Mayor Carlevaro read the following report submitted by the Building Inspector, Ruben Berrios, for the period of August 18th through August 29th 2025:

Rental registrations	-	0
Miscellaneous inspections	-	244
Complaints	-	0

Municipal searches	-	4
Construction inspections	-	13
Violations/Tickets	-	8
Building Permits & C.O.'s	-	4

Fines collected at court - $0

There was noting further to report on the Building Department.

Deputy Mayor Carlevaro stated that the Building Department and the DPW have been receiving many compliments on their hard work to clean up the Village. He remarked that they are working hard to do so and that it's noticed.

Trustee Sena also remarked that the police department has been doing an excellent job. As he drives through the Village at night, everything is calm and quiet, and it's making a difference.

MINUTES: The Mayor presented the Minutes of the Regular Meeting from August 18, 2025 for approval by the Board and entertained a motion to approve them

RESOLUTION # 184 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rich Sena
Motion Carries: All

Mayor Kohut:
OLD BUSINESS

None

Mayor Kohut:
NEW BUSINESS

None

Mayor Kohut:
2nd PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mayor Kohut: With no further business to be conducted by the Board, the Mayor entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

RESOLUTION # 185 - 2025

Motion by: Gil Carlevaro
Seconded by: Rafael Bueno
Motion Carries: All

Respectfully submitted by,
Judith Curcio