Mayor Talerico called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call.

**Present:** Mayor Ernie Talerico, Trustee Edwards, Trustee Copperwheat, Trustee Kulpa

**Also, Present**: Chief Rick Ulinski, Chief Robert Frankland, Budget Officer Brenda Mitchell, Village Engineer Al Swierczek, Attorney Kate Festine and Codes Enforcement Officer John Constas

**Absent:** Trustee Chamberlain and Sean Brady from the DPW

# Presentation

# New York Mills Fire Chief Richard Ulinski introduced to the Board, Lori Fiorentino, Ryan Skowron and Anne Furner. Anne was leaving mass at St. Mary’s Church on July 23, 2023 when she collapsed. Lori and Ryan sprung into action giving mouth to mouth resuscitation until member of the New York Mills Fire Department Members arrived on the scene. Tom Krol, Bill Simpson, Mike Edwards and Joe Rzepka aided and transported to the hospital. Because of their quick response Anne is alive today. Both individuals were given an award on behalf of the Village and the New York Mills Fire Department.

**Open Forum**:

Paul Dudajek – 21 New Hartford Street wanted to discuss with the Board the problem with persistent speeding on New Hartford Street. Chief Frankland advised him that he was looking into a speed trailer and also stated that the Police Department has been on New Hartford Street repeatedly. He will be sure to keep patrols in that area.

Anthony Tramacera – 26 New Hartford Street also wanted to discuss the speeding problems on New Hartford Street and state the same issues as Mr. Dudajek.

**Regular Business**

A motion was made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve Abstract #6 General Fund Amount of $397,713.57 Library Fund $2,078.56 with a total of $392,792.13 Voucher numbers #299-364. All in favor, motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Kulpa to accept the Treasurer’s Report for October 2023. All in favor motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Edwards to accept the minutes from the October 10, 2023 Village Board Meeting. All in favor, motion passed. (Meeting minutes are on file in the Clerk’s Office).

**DEPARTMENTS**

**Police** – written report on file in Clerk’s Office for October 2023.

Chief Frankland advised the Board that the Annual Ugly Sweater Run will be holding on December 3, 2023. Also, the Chief shared with the Board a petition he received from several Tow Companies in the area asking to raise the Tow Rates in the Village. Attorney Festine advised that she will prepare the paperwork and have it ready by the December Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve the Police Report for October 2023. All in favor, motion passed.

**Highway** – DPW Foremen Sean Brady was not in attendance and no report for October was filed.

**Fire Department –** written report is on file for October 2023.

**Resolution 59:2023** Trustee Kulpa made a motion, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve James Rost as a Probationary member of the Fire Department. All in favor, motion assed.

A motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat seconded by Trustee Edwards to accept the Fire Department Report for October 2023. All in favor, motion passed.

**Code Enforcement** – A written report is on file for October 2023. A motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Kulpa to approve the October 2023 report. All in favor, motion passed.

**Attorney’s Report** – Attorney Festine advised the Board that an investment business called NY Class has been approaching several municipalities about investing in a government security fund which is netting a high interest rate. She will look into gathering more information in the coming months.

**Engineer Report**: - Al reports that he advised the two companies that were going to do repairs to the drains that the Village was ready to proceed. So far there has been no work done. He will contact them again to check the status. A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, Seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve the October report for the Engineer. All in favor, motion passed.

**Budget Director Report**: Budget Director report is on file for the month of October 2023. A motion was made by Trustee Edwards seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve the October 2023 Budget Officer Report. All in favor, motion passed.

**Recreation Report**: Trustee Edwards thanked those who participated in the Veteran’s Day Celebration on November 11th. Also, that Christmas on Main Street has been scheduled for December 8th at 6PM.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve the Recreation Report for October 2023. All in favor, motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 61-2023:** Trustee Edwards made a motion seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to adopt the following resolution:

that pursuant to Section 15-104(3)(a) of the Election Law, the following Offices and Terms thereof shall be filled at the General Village Election on March 19, 2023 –

Mayor – (1) – Term 4 years

Trustee- (2) – Term 4 years

The first date upon which an individual may sign an independent nomination petition Section 15-108(9) is January 2, 2024.

Pursuant to Section 4-104(1) the village board room, municipal building, 1 Maple Street, New York Mills will be the polling place for the general village election to be held on March 19, 2024 from noon to 9 PM.

All in favor, motion passed.

Resolution 62-2023: Trustee Kulpa made a motion, seconded by Trustee Edwards to transfer fund from Account L7410.1 Personal Services to L7410.41 Books. All in favor, motion passed.

**Old Business:**

Mayor Talerico advised the Board that the LED lighting is currently being installed and he will be having a meeting to instruct the Village on how to operate the new lighting.

Attorney Festine is looking into the process to allow the Police Department to use a BOOT for persistent parking violators.

Centennial Park will be postponed until the Spring of 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Kulpa to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:51PM.

Amy A Topor

Village Clerk/Treasurer