Mayor Talerico called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM followed by the pledge of allegiance and roll call.

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

**Also, Present**: Highway Superintendent Sean Brady, Chief Robert Frankland, Budget Director Brenda Mitchell, Codes Enforcement Officer John Constas, Village Attorney Kate Festine, Village Engineer Al Swierczek

Absent: Fire Chief Rick Ulinski

**Open Forum:** None

**Regular Business**

A motion was made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve the Treasurers Report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to approve Abstract #12 General Fund Amount of $87,319.16 Library Fund $2,432.99 with a total of $89,752.15. Voucher numbers #666-730. All in favor, motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Chamberlain, seconded by Trustee Kulpa to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2024 Board Meeting. All in favor, motion passed.

**DEPARTMENTS**

**Fire Department**– written report is on file in the Clerk’s Office for April 2024.

**Resolution 33:2024**:

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT PROPOSED PURCHASE OF A FIRE TRUCK IS A TYPE II ACTION FOR PURPOSES OF THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT**

Introduced by Trustee Copperwheat who moved its adoption, seconded by Trustee Kulpa

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of New York Mills, Oneida County, New York (the "Village") is considering undertaking the purchase of a fire truck, whether or not including apparatus used in connection with such motor vehicle, or the purchase of such apparatus alone (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the "Regulations"), the Village desires to comply with the SEQR Act and the Regulations with respect to the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW YORK MILLS, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Village hereby determines that the Project constitutes the purchase of furnishing, equipment or supplies, and is therefore a “Type II Action” under 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(31) and no further action under the SEQR Act and the Regulations is required.
2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Kulpa aye

Trustee Copperwheat aye

Trustee Edwards aye

Trustee Chamberlain aye

Mayor Talerico aye

All in favor, motion passed.

**Resolution 34:2024**

**BOND RESOLUTION**

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF NEW YORK MILLS, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $1,267,000 SERIAL BONDS TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE OF A FIRE TRUCK.

Introduced by Trustee Kulpa, who moved its adoption, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of New York Mills, Oneida County, New York (the “Village”) as follows:

Section 1. The Village is hereby authorized to undertake the purchase of a fire truck including apparatus used in connection therewith, at an estimated maximum cost not to exceed $1,267,000.

Section 2. The plan for the financing such estimated maximum cost shall be by the issuance of $1,267,000 in serial bonds (the “Bonds”) of the Village, which are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to this Bond Resolution.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid specific object or purpose is twenty (20) years pursuant to paragraph 27 of Section 11.00(a) of the Local Finance Law. The proposed maturity of the Bonds will be in excess of five years measured from the date of the Bonds or from the date of the first bond anticipation note issued in anticipation of the Bonds, whichever date is earlier.

Section 4. Pursuant to Section 107.00(d)(9) of the Local Finance Law, current funds are not required to be provided prior to issuance of the Bonds or any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of issuance of the Bonds.

Section 5. The temporary use of available funds of the Village, not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which the same were borrowed, raised or otherwise created, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 165.10 of the Local Finance Law, for the purposes described in Section 1 of this resolution.

Section 6. The Bonds, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds (the “Notes”), shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law and the Bonds and Notes shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the real property within the Village without legal or constitutional limitation as to rate or amount. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds and Notes, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the Bonds and Notes to mature in such year, and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 7. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Local Finance Law, and pursuant to the provisions of Sections 21.00, 30.00, 50.00 and 56.00 to 63.00, inclusive, of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the Bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such Notes, and the power to prescribe the terms, form and contents of the Bonds and Notes, and the power to sell and deliver the Bonds and Notes, and the power to issue bonds providing for level or substantially level or declining annual debt service, is hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the Village.

Section 8. This resolution is intended to constitute the declaration of the Village’s “official intent” to reimburse the expenditures authorized by this resolution with the proceeds of the Bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized herein, as required by Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 9. The Bonds and Notes authorized to be issued by this resolution are hereby authorized to be consolidated, at the option of the Village’s Treasurer, the Chief Fiscal Officer, with the serial bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized by other bond resolutions previously or heretofore adopted by the Board of Trustees for purposes of sale in to one or more bond or note issues aggregating an amount not to exceed the amount authorized in such resolutions. All matters regarding the sale of the Bonds and Notes, including the dated date of the Bonds, the use of electronic bidding, the consolidation of the Bonds and the Notes with other issues of the Village, and the serial maturities of the Bonds are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the Chief Fiscal Officer of the Village.

Section 10. The Village may receive certain federal and New York State grant funds for the purposes described in Section 1 of this resolution. Any such grant funds shall be applied to pay the principal or interest on the Bonds and Notes or to the extent obligations shall not have been issued under this resolution, to reduce the maximum amount to be borrowed for such purposes.

Section 11. The validity of the Bonds and Notes authorized by this resolution and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds and Notes may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money; or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this resolution or a summary hereof are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication; or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 12. The Village Treasurer, as Chief Fiscal Officer of the Village, is hereby authorized to enter into an undertaking for the benefit of the holders of the Bonds and Notes, requiring the Village to provide secondary market disclosure as required by Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12, as amended.

Section 13. The Village Treasurer, as chief fiscal officer of the Village, is further authorized to sell all or a portion of the Bonds and Notes to the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development ("Rural Development"); to execute and deliver on behalf of the Village one or more grant agreements (“Grant Agreements”) between the Village and Rural Development in connection with the receipt of grants from Rural Development for all or a portion of the costs of the expenditures authorized by Section 1 of this resolution; to execute such other documents, take such other actions as are necessary or appropriate to obtain loans or grants from Rural Development for all or a portion of the costs of the expenditures authorized by Section 1 of this resolution; and perform the Village's obligations under its Bonds and/or Notes delivered to Rural Development and under the Grant Agreements.

Section 14. In the absence of the Village Treasurer, the Deputy Treasurer of the Village is hereby specifically authorized to exercise the powers delegated to the Village Treasurer in this Resolution.

Section 15. This resolution, or a summary of this resolution, shall be published in the official newspapers of the Village for such purpose, together with a notice of the Clerk of the Village in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 16. This Resolution is adopted subject to permissive referendum in accordance with Section 36.00 of the Local Finance law. This resolution shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption or, if a petition is filed pursuant to Article 5-A of the Village Law, upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the Village voting on the referendum.

Section 17. The Board of Trustees hereby determines that the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations thereunder have previously been satisfied with respect to the expenditures authorized by this resolution.

Section 18. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Roll Call Vote:

Trustee Kulpa aye

Trustee Copperwheat aye

Trustee Edwards aye

Trustee Chamberlain aye

Mayor Talerico aye

All in favor, motion passed.

Resolution 35-2024: A motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Kulpa to accept the following Probationary Members of the New York Mills Fire Department: Jayden Frank, Kiara Deming, Justin Broadbent. All in favor, motion passed.

Resolution 36:2024: A motion was made by Trustee Chamberlain, seconded by Trustee Kulpa to approve James Rost for full membership into the New York Mills Fire Department. All in favor, motion passed.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Trustee Edwards, to accept the Fire Department report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

**Highway** – written report on file in Clerk’s Office for April 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa seconded by Trustee Edwards to accept the Highway Report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

**Police** – written report on file in Clerk’s Office for April 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain to approve the Police Report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

**Code Enforcement** – written report is on file in the Clerk’s Office for April 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain to approve the Codes report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

**Attorney’s Report** – nothing to report

**Engineer Report**: - nothing to report

**Budget Director Report**: Budget Director report is on file for the month of April 2024.

A motion was made by Trustee Edwards, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain to approve the Budget Director’s report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

**Recreation Report**: Trustee Edwards advised the Board that the Summer Rec Program will run from July 8th to August 21st at the High School. Signups will be available ASAP. The Memorial Day Parade will begin at 11AM on May 27th starting on Elm Street. Movie Night is scheduled for August 20th at the Pulaski Park. Summer Concerts are all scheduled and will begin in Yorkville on June 18th. The Party in the Park planning is ongoing.

A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Trustee Chamberlain to approve the Recreation Report for April 2024. All in favor, motion passed.

**Don Hall – Grant Writer:**

1. Don Hall, CEO, Opportunities for Upstate, advised the Board that the Round 14, Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process is open as of 5/13. Includes multiple programs of interest for the village including CDBG infrastructure, as well as parks, recreation, planning and many more agencies and programs the village should consider.
2. The CFA also includes the Comprehensive Master Plan (CMP) application for New York Mills and Yorkville joint CMP. Bob Murphy, AICP, of Barton and Loguidice will be the team leader in this effort which will include community mailers and at least 1 public session prior to the application deadline of July 26.
3. The V-Fire application was submitted to the state of New York by the deadline of April 30. The application requests a total project cost (TPC) of $533,870
4. Centennial Park: The Oneida County Planning Department has given us the go ahead with the park project. Detailed worksheets for OCPD and a contract with the bidder are being finalized.
5. The Community Facilities Loan via Rural Development is now entering its final steps with Bond Resolutions etc. The application requests $1,266, 967, which could flux either way.
6. Congressionally Directed Spending Request: The village was selected to receive an award of $711,840 from Congressman Williams office for this round. Monies will be spent on adding a second story to the Police Station, new ADA compliant bathrooms, and adding a ladies locker room within the new construction of a 2nd story over the Police Station. This funding will allow us to bring our Municipal Office Complex and Police Station into compliance with today’s space needs including additional officer admin space, Court upgrades, new office rooms, and a juvenile interview room. Project includes new bathrooms and showers, all ADA compliant in Police Station and in the Village Offices. The municipal office complex was once cooled by a roof mounted HVAC unit which provided temperature control to the entire building, including the Police Department. The HVAC unit is obsolete and will be replaced with a new HVAC system.
7. CDBG Housing Rehab. The new round for this year’s CDBG housing applications will be open soon. The village is placing a housing Needs Assessment Survey in its June newsletter to be distributed to all property owners in the village.
8. On May 28 Mr. Hall will be attending the kick-off meeting of the Round 14 CFA at MVCC from 11am to 2:30pm.
9. A part of the CFA includes an opportunity to apply for NYS Parks and Recreation funding. Mr. Hall will be exploring the village’s options and report back to the Board.

10.) A second application for the garbage trick and swap loader will be sent to Rural Development by June 1st.

11.) Mr. Hall advised the Board he believes that a NYS Main Street Technical assistance grant should be pursued to explore options for the LIFE SAKE Building. He will speak further with Mr. Tahan, the building owner, to assess this option.

12.) Trustee Kulpa asked questions related to grants for technical assistance (high speed cabling, infrastructure etc.) to better position the LIFESAFE building. Mr. Hall suggested that a meeting be set up to discuss this with potential grant makers/ funders and other stakeholders.

1. CDBG Public Infrastructure for sanitary sewer and storm sewer projects. Don stated that the current round sets up an excellent way to fund needed public infrastructure projects and suggested meetings be set with all parties to explore potential projects and create necessary Preliminary Engineering Reports a soon as possible, especially given that the deadline is set for July 26.
2. Our final ARPA reporting is underway and should be completed within days.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION No: 37:2024** A motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Edwards to allow the Village Clerk/Treasurer to collect village Taxes. All in favor, motion passed.

**Resolution 38-2024**: A motion was made by Trustee Kulpa, seconded by Trustee Copperwheat to make the position of Cleaner paid monthly ($7904/Year) instead of bi-weekly. All in favor, motion passed.

Mayor Talerico advised the Board that the Village will be merging the Zoning Board of Appeals with the Planning Board and combine members. More information will follow.

Congressman Brandon Williams has awarded the Village $711,880 dollars for improvement to the Police Station. Finalization of the details will be somewhere between September and January 2025.

A kickoff meeting for the Centennial Park will take place in June-July and the park will be fully funded by Oneida County.

The final meeting of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 will take place on May 30th 2024 at 6PM.

**Old Business:**

With no further business a motion was made by Trustee Copperwheat, seconded by Trustee Edwards to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion passed. 7:57PM.

Amy A Topor

Village Clerk/Treasurer