

Minutes of the Interlaken Village Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on Thursday, February 12, 2026 at the Village Hall.

Members Present: Mayor Richardson Trustees Kempf, Pepper, Garcia Online: O'Pray
Others Present: Clerk/Treasurer Swartwood, Deputy Clerk Quan, IFD Chief Borden and C Nelson, IFD
Online: DPW Super Ahouse
Public: Ida Clause, SS Ambulance, Tony Del Plato and Jason Mix
Public Online: P Stannard

Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Pepper motioned to approve January 8, 2026 minutes second Richardson, carried

Public to be heard:

T Del Plato requested to be appointed as Liasson to CWIO, motion by Richardson to approve, second Kempf, carried.

Library:

Ice damage has been reported, bathroom ceiling has water marks. Ice has been removed from the back side of the building.
One bid was received for the fire repair damage. Motion by Garcia, second Pepper to approve and hire K. Black.

Fire:

10calls for January

New 501 in service been on a couple call seems to work great not the best weather to try it.
503 repairs made and Leon's has been paid by insurance co. We may be getting a bill from Leon's for the 1k deductible.

Still trying to sell old 501 I have now put it on some market place sites and reached out to Watkins Glen International they returned my call just have to wait and hear from person in charge which is in Daytona working at races there this week.

Members have done a real good job with fires and accidents in this cold weather

New air pack should arrive in March or early April

There are a couple things we need for new truck I have ordered some mounting brackets already we need adapter for it I am getting prices just waiting to hear back and maybe 200' of 5" hose. Motion by Richardson, second Garcia to purchase hose and valve cost approximately 5k., carried.

We should start thinking budget and fire contracts for 2027. Richardson and Borden to determine the new contract prices for 2027-2028 year

Board needs to approve the district line changes thing are all set but that. the tax map changes are being worked on. Motion by Garcia, second Pepper to approve the new fire boundaries, carried.

Motion by Kempf, second Pepper to sign Seneca Co Mutual Aid Agreement, carried

Some of you have heard that I am not going to run for chief again I believe this is a good time with our major projects completed. I am not going anywhere. I have been a member 36 yrs an officer ¾ of that with being Chief 12yrs. I will still help new officer with transition. I think we have accomplished a lot in the last 12 yrs and thank full for your support. C Nelson has the education and qualifications to move up to the chief roll. Officer elections are in April.

Motion by Richardson, second Garcia to pay down of the fire truck bond with the difference not spent on the truck. Bond 500,000.00 less truck cost 467,890.00 amount to pay down 32,110.00, carried.

Water:

Numerous frozen meters and shut off valves – repairs made. Quik Shoppe may abandon the line lease used due to freezing. There will still be water to the gas station, laundromat and car wash as they are on a separate line. Normal monthly sampling and reporting.

Assisted Hector with water main break.

Richardson reported DEC holding up the water project. There is a phone meeting scheduled for Feb.17th midday. Interlaken will be the first municipality to go into the lake in quite a while.

Sewer:

DEC changing our permit to stricter standards even though the new plant is not up and running yet. Contactors dug deep pit for the drying beds. Since the new slip lining has been installed water tally at the plant has increased from 8-10k gal per day to 40-50k gallons. Sump pumps and gutters tied to the sewer could be the issue. T O'Pray mentioned V/Cayuga Heights inspect properties for illegal connection. Normal monthly sampling and reporting.

Streets:

Plowing and snow removal continues. Sent new John Deere back for hydraulic repairs.

Police:

No Report – Chief Excused

Treasurer:

Balances of accounts read.

Budget Modifications

Dr. A1990.4 10281.75 M Kempf 2 Garcia
Cr. A1420.4 162.00 atty
A1460.4 2.71 records
A1910.4 7374.01 insurance
A3410.41 1300.00 fire bldg. contractual
A8989.4 260.39 home community
A9010.8 1181.64 retirement
leaving 2488.00 in contingency

Dr. A511 4472.59 Fund Bal M Garcia 2 Richardson
Cr. 1620.2 4472.59 Computers

Dr. F1990.4 2208.00 M Garcia 2 Richardson
Cr. F8310.0 2208.00 atty

In doing the budget – did not consider the retirement revenue from the library. They paid \$10,439.55. We could do a budget modification and put this in contingency (as it is getting low) and will stay beneath the 10% limit
M Garcia 2 Richardson to split between General and Water contingency.

Approval of Bills:

Motion by Richardson, second Kempf to pay signed vouchers in: General Fund (#234-263 \$79,755.37) Water Fund (#66-78 \$10,753.49) Sewer Fund (#55-61 \$5,440.53) Water Project (#7-8 \$1,769.68) Sewer Project #11-13 \$26,537.40) Sewer CDBG (none) carried.

Old Business:

- South Seneca Ambulance proposal – Richardson and Supervisor Reynolds spoke about this. Town may be interested. O’Pray inquired a meeting with T-burg Ambulance.
- NYMIR Insurance review – Awarded K Black, Clerk to notify him.
- Equipment use log – motion by Richardson, second Garcia to approve the forms, carried
- West Ave Annexation paperwork received. Joint public hearing with Covert and Village set for March 9, 2026 7 pm at Covert Town Hall.
- Equivalent Unit Dwelling – C Kempf working on this
- AlarmTech – tabled indefinitely.

New Business:

- Local Law waiving residency for IPD personnel, Richardson talking with attorney.
- Motion by Garcia, second Pepper to approve change order 1 Genesee Valley Construction to put slip lining in sewer line manhole 44 to 42; 42 to 39, carried.

- Motion by Kempf, second Richardson to send Municipal Solutions Hunt EAS invoice 50936, carried.
- Insurance for IFD cancer policy is overspent. IFD administration officials to review and reply.

Comments:

Mayor Richardson writing letter to Gov. Hochul regarding NYSEG. Board reviewed, motion by Garcia, second Pepper to send the letter, carried.

Motion by Garcia to adjourn at 7:36pm, second Pepper, carried.

Respectfully,
Nancy Swartwood
Clerk Treasurer