

June 9, 2026

A regular meeting of the Village Board began at 5:30 p.m. in the Village Office. Present were Mayor Jeffrey Oatman, Deputy Mayor Jeffery Kelley, Trustees: Erin LaPlante, Shawn Prieto, and Todd Scoville. Also, present were Superintendent of Public Works John Heller, Village Clerk Lynnette Carver, Corporal Muha, Fire Dept. Chief Norm Wallis, Camden Life Center Rep. Jessica Perusse, NOCCOG Rep. Mike Thompson, several residents, and Queen Central News Publisher Doug Cleveland.

The Pledge was recited.

A motion was made by Trustee Prieto to approve the minutes from the prior meetings. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaPlante and carried unanimously.

Public Comment was held.

A speed camera will be placed on Sixth Street due to excessive speeding issues.

The Village Board gave permission to Leslie Williams of *Leslie's Laundry* to take over supervision of the Community Gardens (located near the entrance of Forest Park); with the following stipulations: The produce from 15 of the raised beds will be given to the food bank and the remaining beds will be made available for lease by area families who would like to have a garden. Leslie also requested the attached parking lot be improved.

NOCCOG representative Mike Thompson reviewed the newsletter with the Board.

Fire Dept. Chief Norm Wallis reviewed his report with the Board. The report is kept on file at the Fire Department. Notables:

- ❖ There will be no field days this year.
- ❖ Locks are being put on the fire hall.
- ❖ A motion was made by Trustee Kelley to accept the following new members to the fire department: John St. Dennis, Mason Bulter, Kim Stark, and Maxwell Darling. Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion; it was carried unanimously.

Officer Muha reviewed the police report with the Board. It is kept on file at the Police Dept.

- ❖ Trustee LaPlante made the motion to approve having Oneida County Information Services Technology create new emails for the police dept. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.
- ❖ Trustee LaPlante made a motion to propose a local law increasing the parking ticket fee for the Village of Camden from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Superintendent Heller reviewed his report with the Board. It is available upon request.

Main Street Grant/Riverwalk Capital project:

Kiosk have not been delivered yet.

Resolution #1 of 2026/27

Amendment #1 of EDR Contract

Mayor Oatman made the motion to approve the updated contract with EDR to include the additional services of DEC submissions. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion.

Amendment Cost: \$14,150.00

Revised contract Totals:

Original Contract amount : \$64,900.00

Change Order #1 Amount of increase: \$14,150.00

Revised Contract Amount = \$79,050.00

The Vote for Resolution #1 is as follows:

AYES- Oatman, Kelley, LaPlante, Prieto, Scoville NAYS- None ABSTAIN - None

Clerks report included:

A motion was made by Trustee Kelley to approve the following property-use request: A fire dept. Loot-the-Boot event, to be held Sept. 4th from 12:00-8:00. Trustee Scoville seconded the motion, it was carried unanimously.

Per conversation at December 16th joint meeting with the Town; the treasurer has prepared and sent the fire protection district bill to the Town.

Old Business:

Trees on Main Street were discussed.

New Business:

Resolution # 2 of 2026/27

VILLAGE PARTICIPATION In STOP DWI PROGRAM With ONEIDA COUNTY

Trustee LaPlante made the motion to enter into agreement with Oneida County to participate in the STOP DWI program and have the Mayor execute the same. Mayor Oatman seconded the motion.

The Vote for Resolution #2 is as follows:

AYES- Oatman, LaPlante, Priervo NAYS- Scoville ABSTAIN - Kelley

The Village of Camden has been awarded the **NYS Discovery Reform Grant**, for State Fiscal Year 2023-24, in the amount of \$5,000.00. Trustee LaPlante make the motion to have the Mayor execute the agreement with Oneida County as a recipient. Trustee Priervo seconded, the motion carried unanimously. (Police Dept Grant # 6)

The motion was made by Trustee Kelley to appoint the following Recreation Attendant's (Seasonal, temporary, part-time), with pay rates as listed, effective July 6th, completing term on August 14th 2026. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kelley and carried unanimously.

Tammy McCarthy	\$2,950.00 Salary
Austin McCarthy	\$14.50 hourly
Katie McCarthy	\$14.00 hourly
Adam Gonzalez	\$14.00 hourly
Evan Gonzalez	\$14.00 hourly
Khloe Poulin	\$14.00 hourly
Rylie Wilson	\$14.00 hourly
Ellianna Pitcher	\$14.00 hourly (substitute – as needed bias)

Seconded Public Comment was held.

At 7:13 p.m. Trustee LaPlante made the motion to enter into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation. The motion was seconded by Trustee Scoville and carried unanimously.

At 7:50 p.m. Trustee Priervo made the motion to adjourn from executive session and reconvene to regular board meeting already in session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kelley and carried unanimously.

Resolution #3 2026/27

REVISION OF NON-UNION PERSONNEL RULES, SECTION N

Trustee Priervo made a motion to include the following wording under Section N.:

The Village of Camden is dedicated to assisting current DPW employees to obtain their Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Financial assistance for CDL required medical exams, training and testing shall be subject to the approval of the Village Board. Each request for financial assistance must be submitted in writing to the Mayor at least forty-five (45) days prior

to starting the training/permit process. The Mayor shall provide written notification of approval/disapproval to the employee within forty-five (45) Days.

Financial assistance shall be limited to the cost of required medical exams, training, permit fees and CDL licensing expenses.

An employee who receives financial assistance related to obtaining their CDL shall be expected to remain in Village employment for at least two years following payment of the financial assistance, or the assistance must be paid back to the Village.

Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion; vote as follows:

AYES – Oatman, Kelley, LaPlante, Prievo, Scoville NAYS - None ABSTAIN – None

The following motion was made at the May 12th Village Board meeting:

Trustee LaPlante made a motion to appoint Officer Hite, as Police Officer part-time; at a rate of \$23.34. Trustee Kelley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Trustee LaPlante made the motion replace the afore mentioned May 12th motion and appoint Officer James A. Hite as:

1. Police Officer, Part-time, non-competitive
2. Effective Date of: 5/19/2026
3. Hourly rate of: \$23.34 per teamsters

Trustee Scoville seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Trustee Scoville made the motion to appoint James E. Mulvaney II, to the position of Laborer, effective June 22nd, at the rate of \$20.82. Trustee Kelley seconded the motion

A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to pay all audited bills on Abstract #8 in the amount of \$102,737.25; inclusive of capital project payments, totaling \$8,467.88. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaPlante and carried unanimously.

A copy of the Treasurer's report and 'budget to actual' statements for Capital projects was submitted for the Board's review and approval. A motion was made by Trustee Kelley to approve the report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prievo and carried unanimously.

The May bank reconciliations were submitted for the Board's review and execution. A motion was made by Trustee Scoville to approve the statements as submitted. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kelley and carried unanimously.

Clerk Carver presented the 1st payroll register of June for the Board's review. A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to execute approval of the submitted register. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaPlante and carried unanimously.

As there was no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. was made by Trustee Scoville. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prievo and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Lynnette Carver

Village Clerk