

August 11 , 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, CEO Vincent DeBaise, Sergeant Murphy, Fire Dept. Chief Norm Wallis, NOCCOG Rep. John Healt, and Queen Central News Publisher Doug Cleveland.

The Pledge was recited.

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

A motion was made by Trustee LaPlante to open the Public Hearing for the proposed local law. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Public Comment was held.

Leslies Laundry Foundation submitted a proposal for gardens near the entrance of Forest Park. The Board will take it under advisement with *Friends of Forest Park*.

Fire Dept. Chief Norm Wallis reviewed his report with the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee Kelley to approve the following new fire members:

Jason Kent, Amie Luczynski Wallace, Alexis Clark.

Trustee Scoville seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.

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NOCCOG representative John Healt reviewed the newsletter with the Board.

The Codes Enforcement Officer Vincent DeBaise reviewed his report with the Board. After much discussion between National Grid and the Village; National Grid is unwilling to address the obvious fire hazards created by the power poles on Main Street.

Sergeant Murphy reviewed the police report with the Board. It is kept on file at the Police Dept.

The policy of Ride A-longs was discussed. It was decided: all Ride A-longs must be 18 years of age and have signed a hold harmless agreement.

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

Clerks report included:

The following resolution was adopted at the July 13th Water & Sewer Board meeting:

Resolution #2 of 2026/27

INCREASE IN BONDING

A motion was made by Comm. Sauer to recommend the Village Board approve and have the Mayor execute the new Bond resolution for the WWTP construction project totaling \$19,380,000.00. Comm. Dust seconded the motion.

Vote as follows:

AYES – O'Hara, Sauer, Clarke, Dust NAYES – None ABSTAIN – None

In response Trustee Prieto has recommended the Village Board approve the following:

Res #7 of 2026/27 (This resolution replaces Resolution #4 of 2026 -due to unfilled publishing requirements)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE ISSUANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$4,180,000 BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF CAMDEN, ONEIDA COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY PART OF THE COST OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, IN AND FOR SAID VILLAGE.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, on April 10, 2018, duly adopted a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of \$7,000,000 bonds of said Village to pay the cost of the construction of a new Wastewater Treatment Plant and related

ancillary facilities on the site of the existing Wastewater Treatment Facility at Route 69, together with construction of improvements to and reconstruction of portions of the sewer collection system, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, site improvements and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, in and for said Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, on December 12, 2023, duly adopted a bond resolution authorizing the issuance of an additional \$8,200,000 bonds of said Village to pay the cost of the aforesaid project; and

WHEREAS, said capital project has been determined to be a Type II Action pursuant to Part 617.5(c)(1) and (2) of the regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation promulgated pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, which it was determined, as such, will not have any significant adverse impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, it has now been determined that the maximum estimated cost of such class of objects or purposes previously authorized at \$15,200,000 is **now \$19,380,000**, an increase of \$4,180,000 over that previously authorized; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to authorize the issuance of an additional \$4,180,000 bonds of said Village for such class of objects or purposes to pay a portion of the cost thereof; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. For the class of objects or purposes of paying additional costs of the construction of a new Wastewater Treatment Plant and related ancillary facilities on the site of the existing Wastewater Treatment Facility at Route 69, together with construction of improvements to and reconstruction of portions of the sewer collection system, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, site improvements and incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, there are hereby authorized to be issued an additional \$4,180,000 bonds of the Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the maximum estimated cost of such class of objects or purposes is now determined to be \$19,380,000, which class of objects or purposes is hereby authorized at said maximum estimated cost, and that the plan for the financing thereof is as follows:

- a) by the issuance of the \$7,000,000 bonds of said Village authorized to be issued pursuant to bond resolution dated and duly adopted April 10, 2018; and
- b) by the issuance of the additional \$8,200,000 bonds of said Village authorized to be issued pursuant to bond resolution dated and duly adopted December 12, 2023; and
- c) by the issuance of an additional \$4,180,000 bonds of said Village authorized to be issued therefor pursuant to this bond resolution;

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that to the extent that any grants-in-aid are received for said class of objects or purposes, the amount of bonds to be issued pursuant to this resolution shall be reduced dollar for dollar.

Section 3. It is hereby determined that the period of probable usefulness of the aforesaid class of objects or purposes is forty years, pursuant to subdivision 4 of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, calculated from the date of issuance of the first obligations therefor.

Section 4. The faith and credit of said Village of Camden, Oneida County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations becoming due and payable in such year. To the extent not paid from other sources, there shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property in said Village a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such obligations as the same become due and payable.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions 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 serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents, and shall be sold in such

manner, as may be prescribed by said Village Treasurer, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 6. The powers and duties of advertising such bonds for sale, conducting the sale and awarding the bonds, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, who shall advertise such bonds for sale, conduct the sale, and award the bonds in such manner as the Village Treasurer shall deem best for the interests of said Village, including, but not limited to, the power to sell said bonds to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and/or the United States Department of Agriculture; provided, however, that in the exercise of these delegated powers, the Village Treasurer shall comply fully with the provisions of the Local Finance Law and any order or rule of the State Comptroller applicable to the sale of municipal bonds. The receipt of the Village Treasurer shall be a full acquittance to the purchaser of such bonds, who shall not be obliged to see to the application of the purchase money.

Section 7. All other matters except as provided herein relating to the serial bonds herein authorized including the date, denominations, maturities and interest payment dates, within the limitations prescribed herein and the manner of execution of the same, including the consolidation with other issues, and also the ability to issue serial bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, shall be determined by the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of such Village. Such bonds shall contain substantially the recital of validity clause provided for in Section 52.00 of the Local Finance Law, and shall otherwise be in such form and contain such recitals, in addition to those required by Section 51.00 of the Local Finance Law, as the Village Treasurer shall determine consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 8. The Village Treasurer is hereby further authorized, at the Village Treasurer's sole discretion, to execute a project finance agreement, and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, including amendments thereto, and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the class of objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof and of the bond resolutions dated April 10, 2018, and December 12, 2023, or a portion thereof, by a bond, and/or note issue of said Village in the event of the sale of same to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation.

Section 9. The power to issue and sell notes to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation pursuant to Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law is hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer. Such notes shall be of such terms, form and contents as may be prescribed by said Village Treasurer consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Section 10. The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Village is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 11. This resolution shall constitute a statement of official intent for purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150 - 2. Other than as specified in this resolution, no monies are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside with respect to the permanent funding of the object or purpose described herein.

Section 12. Upon this resolution taking effect, a summary thereof shall be published in the official newspaper, together with a notice of the Village Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 13. This resolution is adopted subject to permissive referendum.

Trustee Kelley seconded the motion: Vote as follows:

AYES – Oatman, Kelley, LaPlante, Prieto, Scoville NAYES - None ABSTAIN - None

Resolution #8 of 2026/27

SECURE FINANCING FOR CREW CAB PUMPER TRUCK WITH BANK OF GREENE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Village Board on December 30th of 2025, has accepted the bid from *JPB Fire Sales*, for the purchase of a Crew Cab Fire Pumper Truck, in the amount of \$1,124,028.77.

WHEREAS, the Village has decided to pay a portion of the cost, upon delivery of the chassis to the factory, to secure a discounted price, then to finance the remaining portion of the Fire truck,

WHEREAS, the Town of Camden has agreed to pay the Village annual payments [reference Res. #28 & #29 (Inter-Municipal Agreement) of 2025/26] to assist in the purchase of the truck,

WHEREAS, The Village of Camden has completed the Bonding process [Res. #47 of 2025/26], and has inquired at several lending institution for the most advantageous rate on a 10-year loan.

NOW THEREFORE, At the regular meeting, held August 11th of 2026, the Village Board reviewed quotes for the loan to finance approximately half the cost of the Crew Cab Fire Pumper Truck. Trustee Kelley made a motion to approve the 10-year quote from Bank of Greene County for \$595,000 at the rate of 4.05%, with annual payments of \$73,540.82; and with closing date of August 20th 2026. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion.

Vote for Resolution #8 of 2026/27 as follows:

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

Trustee Kelley made a motion to approve the following budgetary transfers to cover depleted funds:

Amount: \$34,151.41 From: A001990.40 Contingent To: A003410.45 Fire Dept. Equip.

Trustee Prieto seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Trustee Prieto made the motion to approve the following property-use request:

1. Rotary Auction in Village Park 9/19/26, 8:00am to 2:00pm
2. Walk for Parkinsons in Forest Park 9/19/26

Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Old Business:

Trustee Prieto made a motion to approve the removal of the 'widow-maker' tree on Ripley Drive. Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Main Street Grant/Riverwalk Capital project:

The Kiosks (trail signs) have been installed.

Resolution #9 of 2026/27

APPROVAL FOR EDR TO COMMENCE WITH PRODUCTION OF MAPPING FOR KIOSKS

EDR has delivered the drawings and mapping for the kiosks. After review, by the Village Board, Mayor Oatman made the motion to approve the mapping and associated drawings. Trustee Prieto seconded the motion. EDR will proceed to the production phase of maps.

Vote for Resolution #9 of 2026/27 as follows:

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

Resolution # 10 of 2026/27

Amendment #2 of EDR Contract

Mayor Oatman made the motion to approve the updated contract with EDR to include the services of: project manual development(\$11,900), development of bid packets (\$2,700), construction phase services (\$9,300). Trustee Prieto seconded the motion.

Revised contract Totals:

Original Contract amount : \$64,900.00

Revised Contract Amount after (Res.#1 of 26/27)Change order #1= \$79,050.00

Change Order #2 Amount of increase: \$23,900.00 and additional cost of SWPPP inspection by unit of \$650.00 per inspection

Revised Contract amount with change order #2: 102,950.00 (not including SWPPP inspections)

The Vote for Resolution #10 of 2026/27 is as follows:

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

New Business:

The Village Board has been presented with a recommendation from the Planning Board to propose a Local Law: prohibiting Data Centers and High-water-use digital infrastructure facilities within the Village. The Village Attorney will be consulted concerning.

Seconded Public Comment was held.

A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to close the Public Hearing for the proposed local law. Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

**Trustee Prievo made the motion to adopt the following Local Law #3 Parking Penalties;
Trustee LaPlante seconded the motion:**

Resolution #11 of 2026/27

LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF THE YEAR 2026
Village of Camden, County of Oneida

**A local law to amend Chapter 140, Article VI – Penalties for Parking Violations
of the Code of the Village of Camden and to Authorize the Village Board
to Revise Fees in the Future by Resolution of the Board**

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Camden, County of Oneida, State of New York, as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent

This local law amends Chapter 140, Article VI of the Village Code of Camden, entitled “Penalties”. The Board of Trustees of the Village of Camden finds it necessary to increase the civil penalty fines for traffic violations for parking violations as set forth in paragraph B(4) of §140-21 from \$25 to \$50. The fine for Handicapped Parking violations shall remain at \$80. This local law will also give the Village Board authority to revise fees to be charged by the Parking Violations Bureau to collect fines for parking violations in the future by resolution of the Village Board rather than local law.

Section 2. Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to the authority granted under Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York and

Section 3. Amendments to Chapter 140, Article VI of the Code of the Village of Camden entitled “Penalties”:

§140-21. Penalties for offenses.

B.(4) Civil Penalty.

The civil penalty under this section for traffic violations for parking on a sidewalk, within 20 feet of a crosswalk, within an intersection, within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, in front of a driveway, with left side to the curb, or where parking or standing is prohibited or otherwise illegally parked, shall be increased from \$25 to \$50. The fine for Handicapped Parking violations shall remain at \$80.

Section 4. Future Revision of Fees

The Village Board is hereby authorized to revise fees to be charged by the Parking Violations Bureau to collect fines for parking violations in the future by mere Resolution of the Village Board rather than local law.

Section 5. Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to

the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 6. Effective date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Vote to adopt Res#11 of 20026/27 as follows:

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

At 7:37 p.m. Trustee Prievo 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 LaPlante and carried unanimously.

At 8:00 p.m. Trustee Kelley made the motion to adjourn from executive session and reconvene to regular board meeting already in session. The motion was seconded by Trustee Prievo and carried unanimously.

Based on the recommendation of the Water and Sewer Board, Trustee Scoville motioned to have the following employees' rate of pay adjusted, as follows:

MEO Angell \$27.40 Hrly

S. Heller \$24.50 Hrly

Mulvaney \$21.50 Hrly

Williamson \$25.50 Hrly

Supt. J. Heller \$67,808.00 Sal

Trustee Kelley seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously. This adjustment is in an effort to attract potential employees and encourage employee retention within the Department of Public Works. It will be effective at the start of the next full work week; August 16th, which is paid on August 26th.

A motion was made by Trustee Prievo to pay all audited bills on Abstract #8 in the amount of \$125,146.14; inclusive of capital project payments, totaling \$43,264.48. The motion was seconded by Trustee LaPlante and carried unanimously.

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

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

Clerk Carver presented the 1st payroll register of August 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 8:44 p.m. was made by Trustee Scoville. The motion was seconded by Trustee Kelley and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Lynnette Carver

Village Clerk

*Trustee Kelley made the motion to approve the lease agreement between the Village of Camden and the Camden Volunteer Fire Dept., for the 2023 Guum Traylor; terms being 1 year for \$1. Trustee Prievo seconded and it was carried unanimously.