

April 22, 2026 – Joint meeting with Village Board, Town Board and CV Local Development Committee

At 6:00pm the meeting was called to order with Mayor Golden, Trustee Maloney, Trustee Youngs, Trustee Gould, Trustee Chavoustie, Town Supervisor Stark, Councilman Wiley, Councilman Gould, Councilman Jacobs, Councilwoman Farrell, Deputy Supervisor Bach, LDC members William McDonough, David Snow, John Nichols, Michael Kinnie, Amanda Mason, Kathy Corincko and Jim McQueeney present.

CVLDC Chair McDonough began the presentation with administrative updates to include the 2025 audit was completed and no issues were found. The committee has been researching cheaper audit options and also if the committee can get a line of credit, if needed. Next, an update on accomplishments was given to include the small projects fund of the NYForward grants and all grants, received or denied. The CVLDC provided funding for the EV Chargers, created an “umbrella” site also created a LDC micro grant fund. Stacy Rogers, tourism promoter, then updated the Boards with her accomplishments since the last meeting. She stated that the tourism information has been distributed to Syracuse, along I-81 and I-90 and also attended a Great Lakes fishing expo in Ohio. Stacy is also working with the 1000 Islands Tourism Council to help bring more tourism awareness. Stacy also stated that she has started to implement a “new homeowner” bag with area information. David Snow then addressed the group. He inquired if the Village would like to do a opening ceremony once they are operational, the group agreed yes. He also stated that the group continues to support the Club street project, broadband expansion, joint comprehensive plan, joint Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan and NNY community Foundation grant. He then moved to the strategic plans with high priority objectives being supporting childcare access, establishing procedures for accepting gifts, umbrella website and potential bike route expansion. Medium priority with high speed data options, historical tours and year-round event venue and low priority as strategic partnerships with other organizations, mobile advertising display.

At this time, Mayor Golden spoke and thanked the CVLDC members for all their work. He stated that the Village has just finished their 2026-27 budget and once again won't be exceeding the tax cap. The general fund budget is very tight this year and the Village will look at the potential sale of excess property. He also updated that the ferry service continues to be worked on and the County will be doing a study about the impact of the area due to the ferry service and they will be in the Village on May 19th for meetings. One of the only concerns the Village has with the LWRP plan is the boundaries that are outlined in the draft. The Village finds it more suitable for the waterfront boundary to be from route 12 and north, for most of the Village.

Town Supervisor Stark then addressed the group. She stated that the CVLDC has come a long way and is doing well. She also commended Stacy on her achievements in her position. She then stated that the Town and Village have some ideas of the goals of the CVLDC, with the main one being that the CVLDC start to start looking for private funding as Town and Village budgets are tight. Additionally, they would like to see small businesses development, private project assistance, a completed joint comprehensive plan and a completed joint LWRP. The consensus from most of the Board members is that the Town and Village have enough grants/projects at this time to keep them busy for at least 2 years and doing more applications at this time isn't necessarily important. Councilman Wiley doesn't agree completely, as he believes that the group should continue to apply for grants. The next topic was the potential conflict between the tourism promoter position and the Chamber of Commerce. This discussion took place for some time.

The Village Board then reviewed the support letter for the historical museum 3-sided signs. Trustee Maloney made the motion for Mayor Golden to sign the letter with Trustee Chavoustie seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The discussions continued at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer