

June 9, 2026 – Village of Cape Vincent Board of Trustees

Mayor Jerry Golden opened the meeting at 5:30 PM with Trustees Pamela Youngs, Timothy Maloney, Michael Chavoustie and Joseph Gould present. Mayor Golden welcomed the attendees and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board then reviewed the minutes of the May 26, 2026 regular Board meeting and Trustee Chavoustie made the motion to accept them as written with Trustee Maloney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

The Board then reviewed Abstract 01 as follows:

General:	\$ 31,591.56	Vouchers 5466-5489
Water:	\$ 10,708.38	Vouchers 2687-2701
Sewer:	\$ 5,605.31	Vouchers 2687-2698

Upon review of the abstract, Trustee Gould made the motion to approve the payments of all vouchers with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes. Mayor Golden then signed Abstract 12 and ordered the Clerk/Treasurer to pay the Abstract.

Attendee Mike Altieri then addressed the Board. There was only one RFQ submitted for the water system modernization grant and approval of the RFQ is a necessary step of the funding. Trustee Youngs made a motion to approve BC&A Architects and Engineers for the project with Trustee Chavoustie seconding the motion and Trustee Gould and Mayo Golden voting yes. Trustee Maloney abstained. Mr. Altieri updated the Board that the bond resolution paperwork is moving forward on time, and the closing could happen in the Aug/Sept. timeframe. They have updated the engineering report and Mr. Altieri has also been coordinating with Michael Haas, from DELTA, for the Broadway Streetscape project to mesh the projects together. Mr. Altieri also updated that later this week, he will be meeting with Tim Maloney and Naomi Gallenger about the EEPark and the permit has been renewed for any work. Mayor Golden inquired about the status of the riprap at the deep water dock at EEPark. Mr. Altieri stated that he has spoken with a few companies that will be able to do the work and more information will come soon. Lastly, he updated that there are some more grant funding that the Village could submit for to assist in the infrastructure work.

Dustin Cooley, DPW Superintendent, then gave his report as follows:

- The stump grinder will be here next week and the process is scheduled to take about a week to get all the stumps in the Village.
- The arborist from the DEC was in the Village today and was evaluating several trees. They found a few trees of concern. There is one on Real Street that the crew should be able to take down and a few ash trees that the crew can also do. A large tree on the corner of Esselstyne and Lake that will need to come down and will have to be hired out. There are a few that will continue to be evaluated on Real Street and Murray Street. Mayor Golden inquired about the trees at the Edsall residence and the arborist stated they need trimming at this time and they will be on the list to be evaluated again soon. National Grid will also be coming back to address the tree on William Street.
- The crew has been cleaning up the ferry landing and it is going well.
- The garbage truck needed some replacement parts and the repairs will roughly be \$1,700.00.

- After approval and extension of the DEC permit, the crew did some work at the EEPark west side ramp to help retain the living shore.
- He reached out to the ARC for janitorial services for EEPark. Dustin has a meeting with the agency on June 29th for more information.
- Dustin also got several quotes for road/paving work. After review, Trustee Gould made the motion to approve the quote from Suite-Kote for a total of \$53,819.26 to do the milling/grinding and paving with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Taylor Knapp, acting OIC, then gave the police report as follows:

- Taylor has been contacting officers that are already on the Village payroll and he as several who have confirmed that they will help for the French Festival. Mayor Golden inquired about the probation officers and they have confirmed that they will assist as well.

Dustin Cooley then stated that he has spoken with National Grid and they will be starting the pole replacement project during the first two weeks of July and will focus on the areas outside of the Village to not interfere with French Festival if the Board agrees. Board discussed and agrees and Disting will reach to inform them.

Mayor Golden then addressed the “old” business as follows:

- Lot on James: No new report.
- Chamber: Ariel Pink, Chamber President, stated that “wingfest” was very successful and there were roughly 100 people and the Chamber was able to raise \$3,000.00. The Chamber is drafting a letter about requested street closures and also stated that the parade route for French Festival will remain unchanged. Ms. Pink is also trying to coordinate with the ambulance about French Festival coverage and will c.c. Trustee Maloney on all correspondence.
- Zoning: Trustee Chavoustie stated that the ZEO had a compliant about a residence on Wiley Blvd. He has tried to call the resident with no response, so letter will be issued.
- CVLDC: Trustee Youngs updated that the LWRP has three portions to complete. The project lists need to be updated, as many are completed, the maps need to be finalized and a waterfront advisory committee will be coordinated to assist. Trustee Youngs then spoke about the Joint Comp. Plan update. There was a lengthy discussion as there are still a few unknowns. The CFA application is due in July. If the Town/Village is not awarded during this funding period, the County will assist in completing the plan. The Town/Village must apply this season and not awarded for the County to assist. This would require the Town/Village at a 60/40 split to pay a consultant, not to exceed \$150,000.00. This would not have to be done until 2027 so could be budgeted at that time and could be a total of \$37,500.00 match that would require a \$15,000.00 portion from the Village. After more discussion, Trustee Youngs made the motion to proceed with the application process with Trustee Maloney seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- Fire Dept/Youth Commission: No update.
- NYForward: There is a 2:30pm in person/call-in meeting to finalize several aspects of the project to include lighting and logo.
- Ferry: Mayor Golden stated that he has spoken to a contact from Border Patrol and they just ask to keep in the loop so they can be prepared for the service restoration.

Mayor Golden then addressed the “new” business as follows:

- Trustee Youngs made a motion to approve Taylor Knapp as the police department OIC and increase him to a payrate of \$35.00 per hour with Trustee Maloney seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- Elm St. water/sewer: A resident on Elm Street has purchased both properties at 343 and 369 Elm respectively. She has does a lot-line adjustment and removed the water/sewer service from 343 Elm Street and has requested to have that water/sewer billing account removed. Trustee Chavoustie made a motion to approve removing the service charges from 343 Elm Street (Account 0077) with Trustee Gould seconding the motion and all voting yes.
- Koester: Trustee Gould met with W/Water Operator Gareth Hogan and there is an ongoing issue with the actuator and it needs to be replaced. Trustee Gould made the motion to approve the \$8,707.86 replacement to be done at the sewer plant with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes.

At 6:14pm, Mayor Golden made a motion to enter into an executive session to discuss an employee with Trustee Gould seconding the motion and all voting yes.

At 6:43pm, Mayor Golden made a motion exit the executive session with Trustee Youngs seconding the motion and all voting yes. No action taken from executive session.

At 6:44pm, Trustee Gould made a motion adjourn the meeting with Trustee Maloney seconding the motion and all voting yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Rupp, Clerk/Treasurer