

January 5, 2026

**VILLAGE OF SPRINGVILLE
BOARD MEETING
January 5, 2026, Minutes – 7:00 PM**

The Regular Meeting of the Trustees of the Village of Springville was held at the Village Municipal Building, 65 Franklin Street, Springville, New York at the above date and time.

Present:

Mayor Timothy Michaels

Trustees Russ Belscher
Lindsay Buncy
Mary Padasak
Jessica Schuster

Village Attorney Paul Weiss

Police Officer Nick Budney
In Charge

Superintendent Duane Boberg

Code Enforce- John Baker
Ment Officer

Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Haberl

Also Attending:

Marc Gentner – SVFD Chief
Todd Catalano – Natural Disaster Coordinator
Max Borsuk – Springville Journal
Kelly Baker
Vince Roberts
Joe Lowry
Ashley Lowry
Shane Miller - ECSO

Mayor Michaels called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

MINUTES

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 15, 2025, was approved as written by Trustee Schuster, seconded by Trustee Padasak and carried with unanimous approval.
- Minutes of the Special Meeting of December 22, 2025, was approved as written by Trustee Belscher, seconded by Trustee Schuster and carried with unanimous approval.
- Minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of December 22, 2025, was approved as written by Trustee Schuster, seconded by Trustee Padasak and carried with unanimous approval.

FIRE REPORT

- Marc Gentner updated the Board on the January statistics, 2026 budget progress and member training. Trustee Schuster wanted to let the SVFD know that she is deeply thankful for the crew and all the challenging and demanding work they do.

PUBLIC HEARING

- LL1 of 2026 – Tax Cap Override - Public Hearing was closed by Trustee Schuster, seconded by Trustee Padasak, and carried with unanimous approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Village resident, Ashley Lowry, commented on the fact that the short-term rental policy is not clear in the Village code. She asked that the code be updated for clarity and consistency for property owners.

NEW BUSINESS

- Short Term Rental (STR) discussion – The committee to update the code for short term rentals has been formed and preliminary discussions have begun. The initial meeting will be held next week. Per legal advice from Village attorney Paul Weiss, a Local Law to set a moratorium on fines for STR's operating outside of the Village Code is needed until the code is updated. This will require a public hearing and a vote to pass. The public hearing will be held at the next board meeting which is January 20, 2026.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Clerk/Treasurer

Discussion:

- Budget packets have been distributed to department heads and preliminary budget meetings have been held December 22 and January 6. Budget hearings will take place in February. Trustee Schuster asked if we could schedule the budget hearings either before or after the February school break as many people will be on vacation during that time. The meetings will be scheduled when everyone can attend.

Superintendent Report

Resolutions:

- **Resolution:** Declare Village as Lead Agency Local Law 1 of 2026 – Tax Cap Override. This was approved by Trustee Schuster, seconded by Trustee Padasak and carried with unanimous approval.
- **Resolution** - Accept SEQR/Neg Declaration for Local Law 1 of 2026 – Tax Cap Override. See attached. This was approved by Trustee Padasak, seconded by Trustee Belscher and carried with unanimous approval.
- **Resolution** Adopt/Table Local Law 1 of 2026 – Tax Cap Override. See attached. This was approved by Trustee Schuster, seconded by Trustee Belscher and carried with unanimous approval.

Discussions:

- Duane Boberg and Jennifer Haberl will be meeting with Waste Management to finalize the 3-year extension of the current contract. There will be a resolution brought to the next village board meeting.
- The employee's union contract is in the final stages and hopefully can be voted on this week. This too will be discussed and voted on at the next village board meeting.
- Budget discussions are ongoing and budget hearings will be in February when everyone is available.

Police Report - Officer in Charge Budney updated the Board on the following:

- December and year-end statistics.

ECSO Deputy Shane Miller updated the Board on the following:

- December statistics
- Year-end statistics will be discussed at next board meeting.
- Upcoming coffee/lunch with a cop which will be advertised on Facebook and in the local paper. This will be an event for the youth to be held after school and in the evenings.
- There will be a bike safety event that will have 2-3 officers available to discuss the bike laws and safety measures.
- Training will be done for caller ID, so officers will be able to handle in-house and not have to call out.

Code Enforcement Officer – CEO John Baker updated the board on the following:

- 227 Mill Street update.
- 182 Mill Street update.
- Another reminder that the snow removal done by the Village is a courtesy. Snow removal is the property owner's responsibility, and the snow should be removed within 24 hours of a snow event.

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- There needs to be code clarity on Village business hours. This will require a Local Law to change the code. Retail vs Services need to be considered with separate language for each, and Trustee Buncy will assist with the wording for the local law. This will require a public hearing and a vote to pass. The public hearing will be held at the next board meeting which is January 20, 2026.

Control Center – Superintendent Boberg read the Control Center report and updated the board on the following:

- Personnel, equipment and monthly call volume updates.
- Next Chief's council meeting is January 20, 2026, at Springville Fire Dept. at 7pm.
- Todd Catalano, Natural Disaster Coordinator, participated in NITECC calls during the snowstorms. He mentioned that communication has improved during storms regarding road closures.

OLD BUSINESS

- Village Attorney Paul Weiss wrote a preliminary draft for electric scooters. It was noted that penalties and impounding should be added. There will be a public hearing for the Local Law for electric scooters written by the Village Attorney at the next village board meeting, January 20, 2026.

BILLS – None, due to Christmas/New Years Holidays.

CONSENT AGENDA – None, due to Christmas/New Years Holidays.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY REPORT –

- Village Attorney Paul Weiss wanted to let everyone know that if there are ever any questions or concerns, please bring it to his attention.

TRUSTEE NOTES & PROJECT REPORTS

Trustee Buncy – No report this evening.

Trustee Belscher - No report this evening.

Trustee Schuster

- Her parents had a house fire which was a devastating tragedy, but she is grateful that no one was hurt and wanted to thank all teams involved in helping out.

Trustee Padasak - No report this evening..

Mayor Michaels –

- Mayor Michaels wanted it to be known that although none of us like paying taxes, the village has volunteer departments that he is very thankful for. The commitment, dedication and hard work of all the volunteers is deeply appreciated.

TREE COMMITTEE REPORT - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Trustee Buncy, seconded by Trustee Padasak, and carried with unanimous approval to adjourn the Regular Session at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Haberl
Clerk/Treasurer