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Village of Wilson Board of Trustees
Minutes – May 21, 2026

Village Representatives	Present	Absent	Village Respresentatives	Present	Absent
Mayor Greg Martin	X		Superintendent Keith Lepine		X
Deputy Mayor Joanne Seefeldt	X		CEO Travis Evans	X	
Trustee Bob Morgan	X		Attorney Michael J. Dowd	X	
Trustee Aaron Pringle	X		Engineer Mike Marino		X
Clerk-Treasurer Carey L. O'Connor	X		Legislator David Godfrey		X
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Nicole Martin		X			

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Greg Martin called the Village Board meeting to order at 7:00pm. We then proceeded with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing on Local Law 4-2026 – Recreational Vehicles and Campers. Mayor Greg Martin opened the public hearing. Mayor Martin stated this will be Chapter 108 and is to promote health, safety & general welfare of the Village by having an efficient regulation of recreational vehicles and campers. Mayor Martin went through some key details with the new updates to the law. Mayor Martin asked if anyone had any questions. CEO Travis Evans asked that it states one RV per lot. Hypothetically, if there is one RV located in the rear parking lot of the Town Hall they can be the only one? Mayor Martin stated yes, if they were going to stay, however, it would be three if it's through Harvest Host. This law is to prevent storage of more than one on a lot within the Village. Mayor Martin closed the public hearing. Attorney Dowd stated that it should go to County Planning since it's zoning regulation that's Village wide. Mayor Martin stated that we will keep this meeting open until it has been referred to County Planning.

Public hearing on Local Law 5-2026 – Blighted Property Standards, Registration, and Enforcement Procedures. Mayor Martin opened the public hearing. He went through some key details on this new law. Mayor Martin asked if anyone has any questions or comments. Howard Wheeler asked about junk vehicles and what defines one. Mayor Martin stated that it is referenced in Chapter 155 in the village code book. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Motion made by Trustee Bob Morgan, seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. All in favor, public hearing on local law 5-2026 is closed. Mayor Martin asked Attorney Dowd if we are missing anything. He stated that they are good to move forward. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve local law. Motion was made by Trustee Bob Morgan seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. Clerk Carey O'Connor took roll

call. Trustee Aaron Pringle, yes; Trustee Bob Morgan, yes; Trustee Joanne Seefeldt, yes; Mayor Greg Martin, yes. All in favor, motion to approve Local Law 5-2026 has passed unanimously.

Public hearing on Local Law 6-2026 – Battery Energy Storage Systems. Mayor Greg Martin opened the public hearing and stated that this has been sent to Niagara County Planning Board already and has been approved. Mayor Martin went through some key details on this new law. Mayor Martin asked if anyone has any questions or comments. No questions. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to close the public hearing on Local Law 6-2026, motion made by Trustee Aaron Pringle, seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. All in favor, public hearing closed. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve local law. Motion was made by Trustee Bob Morgan, seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. Clerk Carey O'Connor took roll call. Trustee Aaron Pringle, yes; Trustee Bob Morgan, yes; Trustee Joanne Seefeldt, yes; Mayor Greg Martin, yes. All in favor, motion to approve Local Law 6-2026 has passed unanimously.

MINUTES

Mayor Greg Martin asked for a motion to accept the meeting minutes from the April 16, 2026 board meeting. The meeting minutes can be found on the Village website. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Trustee Aaron Pringle. All in favor, motion passed.

MONTHLY BILLS

Mayor Greg Martin asked for a motion to approve payment of all vouchers (attached). The abstracts are located at the back of the room. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made a motion to approve all payments, seconded by Trustee Bob Morgan. All in favor, motion passed.

General: $41,237.53 Water: $508.91 Sewer $12,789.25 Key2Business $14,108.86

BUSINESS

Mayor Greg Martin opened the business portion of the meeting.

Resolution 16-2026 Establishing the Fee Schedule for Chapter 108 – Recreational Vehicles & Campers: Mayor Martin stated that since the local law needs to go to the County Planning Board, he would like to have a motion to table this until next month. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made a motion to table the fee schedule, seconded by Trustee Bob Morgan. All in favor, resolution to table until next month has unanimously passed.

Event Request: Wilson Fire Co. #1 Touch a Truck on June 13, 2026. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve event request. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Aaron Pringle. All in favor, event request approved unanimously.

Event Request: Wilson Fire Co. #1 Iron Fireman Bike Night on August 7, 2026. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve event request. Trustee Bob Morgan made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Aaron Pringle. All in favor, event request approved unanimously.

Event Request: Thomas Moje/Pipers on the Pier throughout the summer on 8 Saturdays. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve event request. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made the motion to approve, seconded by Trustee Bob Morgan. All in favor, event request approved unanimously.

Event Request: Wilson Leon Festival on June 20, 2026 Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve event request pending receiving insurance certificate. Trustee Bob Morgan made the motion to approve, pending insurance , seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. All in favor, event request approved unanimously, pending insurance.

Request for Donation: Wilson Youth Soccer Club – Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve a donation of $100. Trustee Aaron Pringle made a motion to make a donation in June for $100, seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. All in favor, donation request approved unanimously.

Request for Donation: Wilson Community Farmer's Market – Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve a donation of $300 as it's their inaugural year and we can adjust donations in the future. Trustee Aaron Pringle made a motion to donate $300 this year, seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. All in favor, donation request approved unanimously.

Request for Donation: Wilson Fire Company Auxiliary – Mayor Martin asked for a motion to donate. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made a motion to donate $100, seconded by Trustee Bob Morgan. All in favor, donation request approved unanimously.

Request for Donation: WABA/Leon Festival – Mayor Martin asked for a motion to donate. Trustee Bob Morgan offered to make a donation on behalf of the Village of Wilson for $200. All infavor, thank you Trustee Bob Morgan.

Codification Services Revised Quote from Todd Metcalfe – Mayor Martin explained that they have done our Code in the past. We need it to be updated and also bring on e360 code. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to engage in this contract. Trustee Bob Morgan made the motion to approve contract, seconded by Trustee Aaron Pringle. All in favor, motion approved unanimously.

Resident Communication System Discussion and Decision. Mayor Martin stated that will our emergencies within the Village, we'd like to have a way to communicate with the Village residents and Businesses in a timely manner. We have received 3 quotes however we have one presentation pending. Discussion ensued. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to approve to go with gWorks pending the presentation. Trustee Bob Morgan BM pending the presentation, seconded by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt. All in favor, motion approved unanimously.

Mayor Greg Martin closed the business portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mayor Greg Martin opened public participation.

Carol Sattelberg – 1 RV or 1 Camper per lot. Are we having a large issue in the village? Mayor Martin, stated no but if you create a law, we have to cover all bases. Discussion ensued. Second question, an improved surface, what is that? Mayor Martin stated gravel or anything other than grass.

Allison Ward asked if it's legal to live in a business? Mayor Martin stated in Central Commercial there is language that you can have a dwelling as long as there is a retail business or such on the property. There's mixed use in Central Commercial and it depends on the zoning and use. Discussion ensued.

Joe Faris updated that he's waiting for the structural engineering report and if all is good, he will start after that. Mike Marino stated that he knows that the report should be completed very soon. Attorney Mike Dowd stated that the Village needs to establish deadlines and that all information from applicant is accurate and complete. Discussion ensued.

Carol Sattelberg asked what happened with the water main break. Mayor Martin stated that we had a puncture in one of lines on Ontario Street. The extreme pressure from that break may have blew out an 8x3 piece in the main on Lake and Seminary. It was difficult to pinpoint where to dig and get to the root of the problem. Town of Wilson, Town of Porter, Niagara County Water all helped until midnight to get it repaired. Discussion ensued.

Howard Wheeler – how do you come up with the fees for rv and camper fines. Mayor Martin stated there are different variables that come into play to figure out what fees there are.

Mayor Greg Martin closed public participation.

REPORTS

Mayor Greg Martin opened reports.

Mike Marino stated that there will be some additional grants that we will be submitting soon and new grants that are coming up.

Legislator David Godfrey reported that there's alot going on. He submitted his request for assistance on the cost of insurance on the pier and to help the Leon Festival with a donation in June. One of the Counties Coroners are retiring. If you or know of anyone interested let him know. EMS week and Mental Health month. We recognized our first responders with hotdogs. We have a special program at county the PAL (Police Athletic League), it's called "do the right thing". A teacher, parent or friend can nominate kids from the schools for doing the right thing. They selected 19 winners and they will go to N.F. High school and will be recognized.

WWTP Operator Keith Lepine reported (notes attached):

Wastewater

- All our monthly numbers are within our permit limits.
- We started our seasonal weekly fecal and e.coli samples.
- Our UV bulbs were inspected last week. The channels and bulbs were all cleaned and are in very good shape. I expect to get another 6 months out of them.
- We will be switching aerobic digesters soon and doing a clean and inspection of the north digester, as we did with the south digester last year.
- We will drop, clean and inspect the secondary clarifiers this summer.
- We will need to get a contractor in to do engineered cementitious composite (ECC) to support our clarifier drives. the old support cement has crumbled away and the shafts are susceptible to dropping without support.

Water

- Two main breaks were repaired Tuesday. Special thanks to Niagara County, Town of Wilson, Town of Porter, and even the Mayor himself for staying late and lending a hand and equipment until the job was completed.
- The repair on Lake St. may help lower our water demand. There are likely 1 or 2 other leaks on Young St. contributing to the high demand in the water system.

Roads

- We'll be doing a few hot patched of potholes, and repairs on the water main repairs we dug up over the winter.
- We expect to be paving streets on the east side of the Village. High St., Warren St., Seneca St., Washington St., and the east section of Wood St.
- DPW has still been digging out ditches and adding culverts when they've had time.
- We now have our own line painting machine and expect to put it to good use this summer.

Trees

- Tree trimming on 2 old trees on Chestnut St. is getting quotes.

CEO Travis Evans reported he has issued 6 new permits, 15 open. closed out 4. 3 STR inspections and 4 fire inspections. He has been to court to get some ongoing problems taken care of. Vacant house at 125 Lake. He plead guilty and is on notice. The Blighted Law will push him into doing something. Fine was issued and he contacted him to start working on it. Discussion ensued. Meeting with a developer on Casewood. They're looking at a site plan and putting some housing in there. The camper that's been housing an individual on Lake street has been removed. Storage container on Ontario st. is gone. There are no more storage containers in the Village. Long battle with Dollar General and getting that back open. The board thanked Travis on getting that resolved. Mayor Martin stated the

reason why we are cracking down on these vacant, blighted properties is because it doesn't do any good for the village with them not being taken care of. Time to get these properties utilized and lived in.

Trustee Joanne Seefeldt has been out with Bob to get the income survey's completed. It's very important to get them completed. Mayor Martin stated that it will help us with some grant areas.

Attorney Mike Dowd has nothing to report at this time.

Clerk Treasurer Carey O'Connor reported that we have closed out the March Water/Sewer billing and are working on the June 1st billing. We are also working on the new 2026-2027 Village Tax Bills that will be sent on to escrow companies or mailed to residents. With that, we will be sending information on how to read the Annual Water Quality Report, information on the Public Meeting on our LWRP, a link on completing a survey for the Adaptation & Resilience Planning survey along with the Village tax and water/sewer bills. Please watch for them! We will also have our June Newsletter in our office, on our website and Facebook. Thank you Joanne for another fantastic newsletter. We have completed payroll certification through Niagara County for the year. We have made some new updates in the Clerk's office. One being new and wonderful laptops for Nicole and I. I can now use it here for the Board meeting and remotely if needed. Nicole will be working remotely soon when she's feeling up to the task. Thank you to Dave Godfrey, our IT expert for getting them set up for us.

Trustee Bob Morgan reported that Treeman Tom had Arbor Day festivities and he attended and they were very educational. Drove to Newfane and attended a presentation by the UB faculty and some students on building climate resilience. If anyone would like to see it, he has it. ZBA and planning board training that we attended. GoGov presentation and attended the fish stocking at the Townline pier. He has been attending the Town workshop and board meetings.

Trustee Aaron Pringle would like to report that he is excited about all the events that are coming to the community and would like to thank the board for holding down the fort while he's working all week.

Mayor Greg Martin reported that he would like to thank Joanne for covering the employee meeting while he was elsewhere. A few conversations from Municipal Code with what the best plan is. Stopped and spoke with Supervisor Evans, they're looking at starting the comprehensive plan.

Infrastructure & water system grants:
EFC call on water infrastructure funding with Keith. Drafted GIGP grant application letter for replacement project. Completed water system infrastructure improvements report for public distribution. GIGP follow-up CATs call with EFC on meter project eligibility. Drafted legislative letters of support for GIGP. Dollar General settlement agreement finalized.

Grants & LWRP
LWRP information meeting with DOS/Wendel. LWRP monthly check-in with Tasfia Zaman (DOS). Call with grant writer Bernie Rotella. LWRP WAC Resiliency meeting with DOS, Whitney Carleton (RCI unit) - residlience principles integrated into Section II of LWRP inventory & analysis. Spoke with Jody Falkner about GIGP and DEC urban forestry grants.

Finance, Personnel & Operations:
Drafted Village Employee Handbook. Staff meeting. gWorks citizen engagement platform discussion. Income survey review, postage optimization research.

Code Enforcement:
CEO monthly report template finalized.

Community, Events & Public Engagement:

April 25th – Arbor Day; April 25–26 Plan2Peak cycling race on August 1–2nd. Vendor outreach letter and flyer completed. May 19th: Farmers market opened for the season. May 21st Day of Service with school kids.

Miscellaneous:
Assisted where needed on the 10 hour water break repair. Ongoing social media updates. Worked on continuation of obtaining pier insurance. Memorial day speech at the Veteran's Memorial. Continued to work on multiple grants options for the Village.

Mayor Greg Martin closed reports.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Martin stated that he'd like to go into Executive Session in regards to the Teamsters Contract. Trustee Joanne Seefeldt made a motion to go into executive session at 9:00 pm, seconded by Trustee Bob Morgan.

No decision was made in executive session. Mayor Martin made a motion to leave executive session at 9:55pm. Motion made by Trustee Bob Morgan, seconded by Trustee Aaron Pringle.

CLOSING

Mayor Greg Martin stated that our next Employee and Board meeting will be on Thursday, June 18th at 2:30 pm and 7:00 pm here at the Town Hall. Mayor Martin asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 pm. Motion made by Trustee Joanne Seefeldt, seconded by Trustee Bob Morgan. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carey L. O'Connor

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Village Clerk–Treasurer