

**Village of Chester
Board of Trustees
Monthly Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2021**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester held its monthly meeting at the Chester Senior Center, 81 Laroe Rd, Chester, NY at 7:00 pm, on Monday, May 10, 2021.

Members present: Mayor John Thomas Bell, Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato, Trustee Alan Battiato, Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly, and Trustee Brian J. Boone.

Also, present: Village Clerk Rebecca Rivera, Treasurer Angela O'Neill, Attorney Mary E. Marzolla, Chief Timothy McGuire, Village Street Superintendent Charles Bono, Water Commissioner Gary A. Green Jr., and Village Code Enforcement Officer John Orr. Attorney Brian Nugent was absent.

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER:

Mayor John Thomas Bell called the meeting to order.

Mayor John Thomas Bell open the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Notice of change of venue as advertised in the official paper, Times Herald Record as follows:

VILLAGE OF CHESTER NOTICE OF MONTHLY MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on May 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Chester Senior Center, 81 Laroe Road, in the Town of Chester, the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Chester, Orange County, New York will conduct their monthly meeting and discuss any other business that comes before the board.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CHESTER, NEW YORK

Rebecca Rivera Village Clerk

Dated: May 5, 2021

Mayor John Thomas Bell thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

AUDIT OF BILLS: Mayor John Thomas Bell noted that the audit of April 2021, Village's monthly bills for approval was complete.

A motion to pay the audited bills of April 2021, was made by Trustee Alan Battiato, seconded by Trustee Brian J. Boone. Motion unanimously passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Monthly meeting and Public Hearing minutes of April 12, 2021.

Mayor John Thomas Bell noted that the Monthly meeting and Public Hearing minutes of April 12, 2021 were completed and distributed to all Board members.

A motion to approve the Monthly meeting and Public Hearing minutes of April 12, 2021 was made by Trustee Brian J. Boone, seconded by Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly. Motion unanimously passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Angela O'Neill read the Treasurer's report as follows:

CASH BALANCES ENDING April 30, 2021

<u>FUND/BANK ACCOUNT</u>	<u>DEPOSITS</u>	<u>(DISBURSMENTS)</u>	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>ENDING BAL</u>
<u>General Fund</u>				
Savings (Sterling National Bank)	--	--	163.13	2,610,291.78
Checking (Orange Bank & Trust)	289,975.72	338,331.60	2.00	274,078.62
Savings (Orange Bank & Trust)	--	--	401.40	1,953,885.02
<u>Water Fund</u>				
Capital Checking (Sterling Natl Bank)	39,000.00	--	9.23	173,627.91
Checking (Orange Bank & Trust)	27,065.74	78,146.25	3.43	380,028.13
<u>Sewer Fund</u>				
Checking (Orange Bank & Trust)	10,445.53	436,180.72	3.28	214,168.75

Cumulative Fiscal Interest Earned by Fund 6/1/2020 – 5/31/2021

General Fund	\$ 8,646.88
Water Fund	\$ 202.85
Sewer Fund	\$ 115.70

Treasurer's Discussion:

- 1. STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENDITURES:** Attached.
- 2. 2020-2021 INTERFUND TRANSFERS:** Interfund Revenue Transfers for the water and sewer funds will be made on Tuesday, 5/11/2021.
- 3. 2021-2022 TAX COLLECTION NOTICE:** A Tax Collection Notice (attached) has been prepared and will be published in the Times Herald Record for (2) consecutive Sundays beginning 5/16/2021.
- 4. 2021-2022 SEWER CHARGES:** Sewer Bills will be issued on 6/1/2021. Quarterly installments are due by 6/30/2021, 9/30/2021, 12/31/2021 and 3/31/2022. Any installment received after their due date will incur penalties. Please review the back of your sewer bill for additional information.

A motion to accept Treasurer's report as read by Treasurer Angela O'Neill was made by, Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly, seconded by Trustee Alan Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

BUILDING REPORT: Village Code Enforcement Officer John Orr read his report as follows:

Steris – Nucifora Blvd.
1– Site work & footings underway.

Shoprite
1- Almost complete.

Clark- 5 Carpenter

1- Interior work almost complete.

Noble – 4 Chester Acres Blvd

1- Renovation continues.

Spring is here, since last meeting the building department has issued 46 permits...30 of those permits is for roofing work on 5 Whispering Hills buildings. The others are for fences, decks, and pools.

As you are aware our sewer department has been dealing with two major issues, infiltration of stormwater into the sewer and wipes causing pumpstations to be clogged and backed up. These problems are not unique to the Village of Chester, municipalities across the country are also dealing with the same problems. Infiltration of stormwater can occur in a few different ways. One is broken pipes and the other is gutter and downspouts connected into the sewer lines. In regard to the wipes issue, I was notified by the sewer department of an incident in the Industrial park recently where a large number of wipes clogged the pump station. I have drafted a letter to all business in the industrial park to advise not to allow “wipes” to be flushed and will be enclosing the attached flyer also.

I think it may be time to do a public relations campaign to educate the Village sewer users of the impacts of both problems.

A motion to accept Village Code Enforcement Officer John Orr report as read was made by Trustee Brian J. Boone, seconded by Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

- **Award Presentation – Award Presented by the Chief of Police**

Presented by Chief McGuire - Officer Maslanka was awarded the Life Saving Award.

POLICE REPORT: Chief Timothy McGuire read police report as follows:

1. Personnel:

- No Officers have tested positive for Covid in the last month and there have been no quarantine issues in the department.

2. Citizen Issues:

- No Issues.

3. Public Safety Issues:

- Officers have been out heavily enforcing the NYS Vehicle and traffic laws, 153 tickets were written for the month. As of the end of April, 486 for the year.
- For the first time in a long time on 4/30/2021 Officers of the department took it upon themselves during good weather to conduct a safety checkpoint during the C line on Main St. from 3pm to 4pm. 6 tickets were issued.

4. Facilities:

- No issues

5. Equipment:

- No issues

6. Vehicles:

- New Ford Utility SUV has been ordered and will be delivered complete mid-July.

7. Other:

- Lifesaving Award Presentation to Officer Thomas Maslanka for his lifesaving efforts on 5/06/2021. While working a 2pm to 10 pm shift at approximately 3:15 p.m. Orange County 911 put out an emergency poll for a female who was the victim of an overdose at Contorino Way. PO Maslanka answered immediately and was the first on scene. When PO Maslanka arrived, the female victim was bluish in color and had agonal breathing. Agonal breathing is described as not true breathing, but a brainstem reflex that occurs as the last reflexes of a dying brain. These breaths are generally viewed as a sign of death. Without hesitation PO Maslanka administered a dose of Narcan and continued to render aid to the female victim. A second dose of Narcan was then administered and the female regained normal coloring, breathing and consciousness. The female victim refused medical attention. PO Maslanka’s quick response to the scene, immediate action by administering Narcan and the aid that he continued to provide resulted in the saving of the female’s life.

8. Department Activity:

Call Type	April	2021/Year to date		
Calls for Service	150	657		
Criminal Cases	24	106		
Arrests	10	49		
Traffic Accidents	8	28		

A motion to accept Police report as read by Chief Timothy McGuire was made by, Trustee Alan Battiato, seconded by Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

STREET REPORT: Village Street Superintendent, Charles Bono read the Street Department report:

We spent a good amount of time working at the Amphitheater installing a new curb and catch basins between the Amphitheater and the parking lot above the Amphitheater. We put down topsoil on the back side of the curb and planted grass seed and covered it with straw.

Tires can be brought to The Town of Chester Highway Dept. the 2nd and 3rd week of May during the hours of 7:30 am-3:30 pm, however they must be off the rims. Just a reminder for bulk items, you do have to schedule an appointment to have them picked up. IWS telephone number is 845-572-3300

Just a reminder with our Green Waste Removal Program. We have a few people that are putting their leaves and grass clippings out by the curb. We do not do bulk collection of leaves and grass clippings during the spring and summer months. Leaves and grass clippings must be in biodegradable bags in order to be picked up.

We have received significant increases from the state in regard to our CHIPS program, the Extreme Winter Recovery Program, and the Pave NY Program. The CHIPS Program has been increased from 52,009.59 from last year to 65,623.20 for this year which is a 26% increase. The Extreme Winter Recovery Program has been increased from 8,852.19 from last year to 13,618.75 for this year which is a 53.85% increase. The Pave NY Program has been increased from 11,871.71 from last year to 17,805.80 for this year which is a 49.99% increase. The total amount for this year is 97,047.75.

We continue with the normal weekly sweeping, picking up of bags and brush and the collection of garbage.

A motion to accept Street Department as read by Street Superintendent Charles Bono was made by Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly, seconded by Mayor Christopher Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

WATER REPORT: Water Commissioner Gary A. Green Jr. read the Water Department report as follows:

- 1) Daily filter plant & well operations
- 2) Twice per week filter cleaning
- 3) Monthly samples taken to the lab.
- 4) Mark outs for dig safe NY.
- 5) Meter reading completed.
- 6) Meter changing continues.
- 7) Backflow testing continues
- 8) We built a wall splitting the meeting room
- 9) We have completed various online training courses to recertify our water license.
- 10) Weekly mowing of our facilities.
- 11) We replaced curb box at 2 Oak Street.
- 12) Walton Lake is 6 inches over pin level.
- 13) Water main flushing started today thru Wednesday.

A motion to accept the Water Department's report as read by Water Commissioner Gary A. Green Jr., was made by Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly, seconded by Mayor Christopher Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

PARK & RECREATION REPORT: Michelle Deshler was present and mentioned the following:

- July 10, 2021 Chester Fireworks on schedule with a rain date July 11, 2021.
- June 12, 2021 Village of Chester Wide Garage Sale with a rain date of June 13, 2021
- Summer recreation was cancelled – Chester kids were able to sign up and Chester’s counselors were hired at Goshen’s recreation program.
- Personalized Bricks will be on sale again.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ~~Village of Chester Proposed Compensation Plan is still under review.~~ **Tabled until June 14, 2021 Monthly Meeting.**

NEW BUSINESS:

21-28 Resolution Authorizing Mayor to Execute Intermunicipal Agreement for Tactical Response Unit

WHEREAS, there exists a Tactical Response Unit (“TRU”) in Orange County via a Intermunicipal Agreement between the Town of Woodbury, Village of Harriman, Village of Monroe, Town of Chester, Village of Goshen, and the Town of Warwick pursuant to Section 119-o of the General Municipal Law authorizing joint services by Intermunicipal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Chester maintains a Police Department and desires to participate in the TRU and to enter into a Intermunicipal Agreement for such purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

Section 1. The above “WHEREAS” paragraphs are incorporated herein as though set forth in full.

Section 2. The Village Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an Intermunicipal Agreement to participate in the TRU in a form satisfactory to Village Legal Counsel.

Section 3. The Mayor and any official employee, or consultant as directed by the Mayor may take any and all actions necessary to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Introduced By: Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato

Seconded By: Trustee Alan Battiato

On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

Roll Call

For

Against

Abstain/Absent

Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly	[x]	[]	[]
Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Alan Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Brian J. Boone	[x]	[]	[]
Mayor John Thomas Bell	[x]	[]	[]

21-29 Resolution of the Village Board for the Mayor to Execute Audit Agreement with Troy & Banks Utility.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Chester (“Village Board”) wishes to enter agreements with Troy & Banks to conduct the following audits for the benefit of the Village of Chester (1) an audit of gas, electric, telecommunications and water/sewer utility service accounts; (2) an audit of the Municipal Franchise Fee; and, (3) an audit of Gross Utilities Tax (hereinafter “Agreements”); and,

WHEREAS, the Agreements have been presented to the Village and are now ready for execution; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to complete this transaction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that:

Section 1. All “Whereas” clauses are hereby incorporated by reference as though set forth in full herein.

Section 2. The Mayor is authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete the Agreements and, in the form, approved by legal counsel.

Section 3. The Mayor or any other officer or employee as directed by the Mayor are authorized to take any and all necessary actions to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Introduced By: Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly
 Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato
 On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain/Absent</u>
Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly	[x]	[]	[]
Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Alan Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Brian J. Boone	[x]	[]	[]
Mayor John Thomas Bell	[x]	[]	[]

21-30 Resolution of the Village Board for the Mayor to Execute Agreement for Trugreen Commercial for service at Larkin’s Green, 12 Bank Street, Chester

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Chester (“Village Board”) wishes to enter an agreement with TRUGREEN Commercial for service at the property located in the Village at Larkin’s Green, 12 Bank Street, Chester; and,

WHEREAS, the final TRUGREEN Commercial agreement has been presented to the Village and is now ready for execution; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute all documents necessary to complete this transaction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that:

Section 1. All “Whereas” clauses are hereby incorporated by reference as though set forth in full herein.

Section 2. The Mayor is authorized to execute all documents necessary to complete the transaction relating to TRUGREEN Commercial agreement as presented to the Village Board.

Section 3. The Mayor or any other officer or employee as directed by the Mayor are authorized to take any and all necessary actions to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

~~**21-31 Resolution of the Village Board for the Mayor to Execute Documents to Certify Official Zoning Map of the Village of Chester**~~ **Tabled until further notice.**

Set a public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application

A motion to schedule a public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application on June 14, 2021 at 6:45 p.m. at the at the Chester Senior Center, 81 Laroe Road, in the Town of Chester, Orange County, New York, was made by Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly, seconded by Trustee Brian J. Boone. Motion unanimously passed.

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain/Absent</u>
Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly	[x]	[]	[]
Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Alan Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Brian J. Boone	[x]	[]	[]
Mayor John Thomas Bell	[x]	[]	[]

21-32 Resolution Authorizing Temporary Outdoor Dining on Municipal Property in the Village of Chester

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, the Governor of the State of New York issued Executive Order No. 202 and declared a State disaster emergency for the entire State of New York with respect to the COVID19 pandemic and to date has issued numerous Executive Orders as part of the State of Emergency (“Executive Orders”); and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New York has since, through the issuance of Executive Orders, authorized the opening and continued operation of businesses in the State, in Phases, depending upon the nature of the business, metrics related to infections, hospitalizations and deaths related to the pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, businesses, employees, and residents in the Village of Chester (“Village”), as around the State, have incurred financial hardship as a result of the pandemic and the necessity to close certain businesses and limit the workforce; and,

WHEREAS, the Village would like to assist, promote, and support local businesses in their efforts to re-open in accordance with directives from the Federal and State authorities in a safe and responsible manner, which would provide an economic benefit to the Village and its residents; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 20-13, the Village Board of the Village of Chester (“Village Board”) previously acted in furtherance of its interest in assisting, promoting and supporting such local businesses and authorized the Building Inspector, as a matter of prosecutorial discretion and enforcement, to waive, modify or adjust certain requirements of the zoning requirement or land use restrictions for restaurant/food service establishments and other food concessions (“Food Vendors”) to obtain a Temporary Outdoor Dining Permit, including for expansion of table and chairs onto Village property and/or right-of-way, subject to certain regulations referred and/or annexed to the aforesaid Resolution No. 20-13; and,

WHEREAS, in the continued interest of assisting, promoting, and supporting the local businesses in the Village, the Village Board wishes to continue to extend such temporary assistance to local businesses until further notice; and,

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the health, safety and welfare of residents and visitors to the Village when dining, the Village Board desires to ensure compliance with New York State Department of Health regulations and appropriate regulations imposed by the Village for any outdoor dining on municipal property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

Section 1. The above “WHEREAS” paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Subject to compliance with any and all regulations of the Village in addition to any and all regulations and guidance of any applicable state agencies, the Village hereby authorizes any Food Vendors desiring to utilize municipal property in the Village of Chester for outdoor dining to submit an application to permit temporary outdoor dining which permit shall be approved by the Village Building Inspector pursuant to the aforesaid regulations. Temporary outdoor dining that is solely on a business premise controlled by the Food Vendor need only comply with State and Local Department of Health guidance and shall not be required to obtain a permit from the Village.

Section 3. Temporary outdoor dining applications involving use of municipal property shall be submitted on forms provided by the Village and approval shall be determined by the Village Building Inspector who may impose additional requirements as needed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of any patrons, residents, or visitors to the Village.

Section 4. The authorization of temporary outdoor dining in the Village of Chester on municipal property shall only be valid so long as permitted by the State of New York and until further notice as determined by the Village Board.

Section 5. Any Food Vendor in the Village of Chester that already had a lawful use of an outdoor dining area prior to the COVID-19 pandemic that is not expanding its use for dining shall not be required to submit an application to the Village for the temporary outdoor dining permit, but shall be subject and must comply with the New York State Department of Health's interim guidance document for outdoor and take-out/food delivery services as well as rules and regulations issued by the New York State Liquor Authority if applicable, and the New York State and Orange County Department of Health.

Section 6. Temporary outdoor dining permits for use of municipal property and compliance with accompanying regulations shall be subject to review and inspection by the Village Building Inspector. The Village may suspend use of municipal property and the temporary outdoor dining permit as determined by the Building Inspector. Any temporary outdoor dining permit holder whose permit for dining on municipal property is suspended by the Building Inspector may appear before the Village Board at their next scheduled Village Board meeting to request reinstatement of the permit.

Section 7. The Village Board hereby authorizes the Mayor, in consultation with the Building Inspector and the Village's legal counsel, to address and determine any issues not directly addressed by the State and local guidance in relation to temporary outdoor dining on municipal property.

Section 8. Any Food Vendor (whether on private property or municipal property) with a New York State Liquor Authority permit seeking to serve alcoholic beverages in the temporary outdoor dining area must also comply with the guidance issued by the New York State Liquor Authority including the appropriate notice to the State Liquor Authority of the area in which alcoholic beverages will be served.

Section 9. In the event that previously issued Executive Orders no longer authorize any activity associated with a Village-issued temporary outdoor dining permit, any temporary outdoor dining permit holder must demonstrate compliance with any all-applicable New York State laws or regulations in order to obtain or continue a permit for temporary outdoor dining.

Section 10. The Village Board adopts the annexed Temporary Outdoor Dining Regulations on municipal property to be implemented by the Village Building Inspector.

Section 11. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Introduced By: Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiatto

On a vote of 5 to 0, the resolution was adopted

Roll Call

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain/Absent</u>
Trustee Elizabeth A. Reilly	[x]	[]	[]
Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Alan Battiato	[x]	[]	[]
Trustee Brian J. Boone	[x]	[]	[]
Mayor John Thomas Bell	[x]	[]	[]

REGULATIONS FOR TEMPORARY/OUTDOOR DINING ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY

1. Any restaurant/food service establishments and other food concessions (“Food Vendors”) may apply for a temporary permit for outdoor dining on municipal property to the Village Building Inspector on the attached form which application must be approved before any outdoor dining activity can take place on municipal property. The requirement for a permit shall not apply to any Food Vendor that already had an outdoor dining area approved within the Village or is arranging outdoor dining on property controlled by the owner, accept that any such locations shall still be required to comply with the interim guidance issued by the New York State Department of Health with respect to outdoor dining.
2. Additional requirements for temporary outdoor dining spaces on municipal property: Any applicant for a temporary/outdoor dining permit on municipal property must submit an affirmation that they have received, read, and will comply with the interim guidance for outdoor and take-out/delivery food services during the “COVID-19 public health emergency” issued by the New York State Department of Health.
3. Depending upon the conditions at the specific outdoor dining location, the Village Building Inspector may impose additional requirements upon such permit as necessary to address the specific location on municipal property and such conditions must be complied with all times.
4. Consistent with the New York State Department of Health Guidance, all outdoor dining patrons on municipal property whether eating or consuming beverages must be seated at a table, counter, or tabletop. Other than the wait staff and incidental movement of patrons in the outdoor dining area, the gathering of patrons standing while consuming food or beverage is strictly prohibited.
5. Food Vendors cannot mandate customers to complete any health screening or to provide contact information but may encourage customers to do so.
6. During anytime that an outdoor dining permit is active, and the outdoor dining area is open on municipal property, the Village Building Inspector shall be granted access to and within the outdoor dining area and any other any locations inside the premises being used by personnel or the public.
7. Consistent with New York State Guidance, applicants must conspicuously post completed safety plans on the business site. A business reopening safety plan template is available via the New York Forward website for Phase 2.
8. Applicants must also submit the required online affirmation to the New York State Department of Health. See Department of Health Guidance document available on the New York State Department of Health website.

9. Upon observation of any violations of the interim guidance requirements issued by the New York State Department of Health for temporary outdoor dining, the Building Inspector, in his discretion, may take appropriate action ranging from a Notice to Remedy to a suspension of the temporary outdoor dining permit on municipal property.

10. Any applicant whose temporary outdoor dining permit for municipal property is suspended may appear before the Village Board at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting to request reinstatement of the permit.

11. Issues that are not resolved within the New York State Department of Health Guidance documents may be addressed by the Village Building Inspector, as needed.

12. Such temporary outdoor dining permits on municipal property shall be permitted until further notice by the Village Board, except that in the event that previously issued NYS Executive Orders no longer authorize any activity associated with a Village-issued temporary outdoor dining permit, any applicants or permittees must demonstrate compliance with any and all applicable NYS regulations and laws in order to obtain or continue a permit for temporary outdoor dining.

13. Any Food Vendor with a current New York State Liquor Authority License seeking to serve alcoholic beverages in any outdoor dining area must comply with any and all guidance and requirements of the New York State Liquor Authority. Food Vendors serving alcoholic beverages under any New York State Liquor Authority License must comply with all standard licensing requirements, including supervision and control over the service and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Flower Truck – permission to set up the truck bed with flowers to sell to people in the area for Mother’s Day.

The board granted permission for truck bed with flowers to sell to people in the area for Mother’s Day to be set up across the street from the Village parking lot, in front of their property, Rustic Wheelhouse, as opposed to on Village parking lot/Village property.

Concert on Sunday May 23rd in front of Outdoors from 4 - 7 pm. We need Howland St. closed to traffic from 3:30 to 7 pm.

"Masters of Guitar" Concert on Sunday June 13th from 3-5PM either in front of Outdoors or at the amphitheater. Barry Adelman requested the use of the amphitheater. He composed a letter to the Village Board, which was read by him. (letter attached to minutes)

Village Board stated that they will discuss the request and get back to him with response.

Calendar:

- Snow Ordinance is NO LONGER in effect as of April 15, 2021
- On Monday, May 31, 2021, Village Hall Closed Memorial Day,
- Village of Chester Music Concert Series starting June 15th, every Tuesday until August 31st.
- E-Bill service is available. If you would like to sign-up go to Village website under forms.
- May Water Billing were mailed on Friday, April 30th. Payment is due May 31, 2021.
- “www.eyeonwater.com/signin” service to monitor water usage/consumption.
- Chester Kiwanis 5K Race on Saturday, May 29, 2021 from 8:45 AM to 12:00 PM.
- The Chester Cemetery Association will hold their Annual “Sponsor a Flag” fundraiser during May (Memorial Day). Sponsor a flag for five dollars to support the upkeep of the Chester Cemetery. Joan Ribando is part of the committee who will oversee the selling of the flags. For more info call 845-469-4208 or contact Elizabeth A. Reilly at 845-742-4077

- Concert on Sunday May 23rd in front of Outdoors from 4 PM - 7 PM
- "Masters of Guitar" Concert on Sunday, June 13th from 3 PM - 5 PM in front of Outdoors.
- Annual Clean-up postponed until September 2021.

See our calendar for upcoming meetings and events

<https://www.villageofchesterny.org>

PUBLIC COMMENT :

Mayor John Thomas Bell opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Gordan Shehab of high street asked if the Banners for Veterans can still be purchased.

Michelle Deshler responded that they cannot be purchase at this time as they already submitted the order for this year. Next year they will go on sale again.

Gordan Shehab asked question regarding the Task Force – Bowler Rap & Burner guns that shoot pepper balls.

Patricia Salerno of Hambletonian Ave asked about Nexans and what is going on with the structure? She hears noise coming out of the building at night, in addition she sees truck coming and going from the building.

John Orr responding currently there is clean up and destroying unused materials and/or equipment.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to go into executive session at 7:47 pm with no further business was made by Deputy Mayor Christopher Battiato, seconded by Trustee Alan Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

A motion to come out of executive session at 8:39 pm and close meeting was made by Trustee Brian J. Boone, seconded by Trustee Alan Battiato. Motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully,

Rebecca Rivera
Village Clerk