



NEW HAVEN VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 08, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Municipal Council Room – 57775 Main Street

1. Call to Order/Pledge/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

PRESENT

President Brian Meissen

Trustee Tracy Bonkowski

Trustee Chris Dilbert

Trustee Corinna Guerrero

Trustee Fred Nona

Trustee Mario Pruccoli

Trustee Matt Benoit

Clerk Rachel Whitsett

Treasurer Tim Sosnovske

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Trustee Guerrero to approve the agenda as amended, Seconded by Trustee Bonkowski.

Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

Add - 12. Closed Session in accordance with MCL 15.268(d) to discuss settlement proposal New Haven v Landlord

3. Public Comments on Agenda

None

4. Approval of the Minutes

A. Regular meeting minutes August 11, 2026

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski to approve the regular meeting minutes from August 11, 2026 as presented, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

5. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Trustee Pruccoli to approve the consent agenda as presented, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

6. Payment of Bills – Treasurer Report

- A. Approval of August 2026 Payroll: \$127,885.35 and bills to be paid for August 2026: \$562,031.37 Total of \$689,916.72

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski to approve the august 2026 bills totaling \$689,916.72, Seconded by Trustee Pruccoli.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

- B. Treasurer's Report - Total Village cash assets of \$8,569,207.58

Motion made by Trustee Pruccoli to receive and file Treasurers report, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

7. Communications/Committee Reports

- A. Agenda Items for October 13, 2026 due by October 3, 2026 - Clerk Whitsett
- B. Planning Commission Update - Trustee Dilbert
- C. Parks and Rec Update - Trustee Guerrero

8. Unfinished Business

- A. Funeral Home and Seifert Update

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski to communicate to Mr.Shade that he has until October 13, 2026 to complete the encapsulation (roof, siding, and paint) before the winter, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

- B. 2 Housing Commission Openings

Discussion - only 1 open seat

- C. Fireworks Payment to Lenox Township

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski to pay Lenox Township \$4,500 (\$6,000 original approved amount - \$1,500 half donations received) for Fireworks show, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli

D. Glass Block Window Replacement-Lions Community Center and DPW Cold Storage Building

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski to award glass block replacement to Glass Blocks Concepts LLC for \$6,925 as quoted for Lions Club and DPW, Seconded by Trustee Pruccoli.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

9. New Business

A. Resident Water Bill Request

No Motion

B. GLWA Water Amendment 6

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski adopt 2026-007 Resolution to adopt amendment #6 to the water service contract with the Great Lakes Water Authority, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

C. MML Workers' Compensation Fund Renewal

Motion made by Trustee Bonkowski to pay MML Workers Compensation fund totaling \$21,980, Seconded by Trustee Guerrero.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

D. DTE Street Lighting Proposal for Community Park

Motion made by Trustee Benoit to approve option #4 (2 light poles and underground wiring) from DTE for additional lighting at community park totaling \$8,865.45, Seconded by Trustee Bonkowski.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

E. Community Dinner

Motion made by Trustee Guerrero to move forward with community dinner up to \$5,000, Seconded by Trustee Bonkowski.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

10. Call from the Floor (limited to three minutes)

Henry - Cynthia Drive - is a skate rink for kids a possibility.

11. Call from the Table

B. Meissen - Welcome Trustee Matt Benoit.

12. Closed Session in accordance with MCL 15.268(d) to discuss settlement proposal New Haven v Landlord

Motion made by President Meissen to go into closed session at 8:18 PM to discuss settlement proposal New Haven v Landlord, Seconded by Trustee Pruccoli.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

Motion made by Trustee Dilbert to return from closed session at 8:39 PM, Seconded by Trustee Bonkowski.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

Motion made by Trustee Guerrero to approve settlement as negotiated by the circuit court with the one amendment as discussed, Seconded by Trustee Bonkowski.

Roll Call - Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

13. Adjournment

Motion made by Trustee Dilbert to adjourn at 8:40 PM, Seconded by Trustee Bonkowski.

Voting Yea: President Meissen, Trustee Bonkowski, Trustee Dilbert, Trustee Guerrero, Trustee Nona, Trustee Pruccoli, Trustee Benoit

Please hold all public comments until call from the floor. There is a 3-minute limit for all calls from the floor. The Council will not take any action on issues raised during call from the floor. This is an opportunity for citizens to voice concerns and thoughts on non-agenda Items.

The Council meetings are set and carried out to conduct the business of the Village. Please turn off all cell phones and pagers before entering the meeting room. Please be courteous to those speaking and others at the meeting. Thank you.