MONTHLY VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
February 2nd, 2026

The regular meetings of the Sandy Creek Village Board were duly held on the second day of February in the year 2026 at 7:00pm in the Village Offices Building at 11 Park Street, Lacona, NY 13083.

Members Present:
Lynn Miller, Mayor
Lori LaRue, Trustee
Sharon Turo, Trustee

Others Present:
Megan Sprague, Clerk/Treasurer
Jimmy Sprague, Code Enforcement
Lance Collins, Fire Chief
Bill Joyce, SCRPB

At 7:00pm, after the Mayor led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance, he opened the meeting.

Agenda Item One | January Minutes:
The Board approved the previous minutes of the regular meeting held on December 1st, 2025, motion duly made by Trustee LaRue, seconded by Trustee Turo and carried.

Agenda Item Two | Bills & Financials:
Upon motion duly made by Trustee Lori LaRue, seconded by Trustee Sharon Turo and carried with a 2-0 vote, the Board approved the following Abstracts:

- Abstract 08: $19,852.76
  - General Fund: $25,298.23
  - Water Fund: $12,933.95
  - Trust & Agency: $37.62

Fund Balance through January 31st:

General Fund	$614,023.18
Fire Reserve Apparatus	$23,616.02
Drainage Reserve	$20,405.32
Water Fund	$86,502.62
Water Capital Reserve	$21,863.44
Trust & Agency	$0

Agenda Item Three | CEO Report
CEO Jimmy Sprague verbally went over his report as there were no building permits or violations for January. CEO Sprague also informed the Board that he will be attending training in April out of town.

Agenda Item Four | Fire Chief Report
Chief Collins had no report for the board and stated that there was not much to say about the fire department.

Agenda Item Five | SCRPB:
Secretary Bill Joyce described a law that was passed by the Village of Sandy Creek in 2020 that states that appointed officials do not have to live in the Village to represent the Village. With this law in mind, Mr. Joyce asked the Board to appoint Joshua Jorgenson to fill the vacant Village seat on the planning board even though he does not live in the Village, but within the Town limits. Mr. Jorgenson currently serves as an alternate for the planning board. Upon motion, duly made by Trustee LaRue and seconded by Trustee Turo, the Board appointed Joshua Jorgenson to the vacant seat. His term will expire at the end of 2026 and will be up for reappointment at the organizational meeting in December.

Agenda Item Six | Historian Report:
Historian Peggy Rice's report is on file at the Village Clerk's office for the public.

Agenda Item Seven | County Legislator:
County Legislator Michael Yerdon was absent.

Agenda Item Eight | Other Business:
Clerk Megan Sprague is interested in a Village credit card for training purposes only. She offered to look up sample policies for the next meeting.
Mayor Lynn Miller went over some of the quotes for a potential tractor purchase and explained that there would be a demonstration on Wednesday, February 18th at 3pm with a vendor for trackless vehicles.
Sandy Besaw has officially announced that she will be retired by Memorial Day. Clerk Sprague said that she has put an advertisement out for her replacement on Facebook and hopes to have some names to bring to the next meeting.
Mayor Miller informed the Board of a critical leak on Harwood Drive by the Town Hall. It was flowing at a rate of 285 gallons per minute. Mayor Miller called Edge Civil Corporation to help with the emergency. The leak became apparent on the evening of Friday, January 23rd. Edge Civil had the leak under control by late Saturday night. There is still work that needs to be done once the ground thaws.
Mayor Miller also informed the Board that he was asked by Town Supervisor Tim Ridgeway how the Village of Sandy Creek felt about the Village of Lacona pitching in on the digital sign purchased with ARPA funds by the Town & Village of Sandy Creek. The mayor explained that according to Mr. Ridgeway, the main reason for Lacona asking to pitch in on the sign was for the VFW to be able to use it for advertising. Mayor Miller expressed that he was okay with Lacona pitching in on the sign, but only if they were to use it as a municipal sign as that was original intent of the sign. He is concerned that the municipal messages will get overlooked if the sign is used to advertise for nonprofit organizations and clubs. Also, the Village of Lacona offered $1,000 for use of the sign while the Village of Sandy Creek pitched in $15,000 and the Town of Sandy Creek pitched in $25,000 plus labor costs. The Board also felt that Lacona should pitch in a more comparable amount.
Mayor Lynn Miller expressed much appreciation for Joey Pottenburgh who shoveled out hydrants for no charge to village.

Agenda Item Nine | Public Comment:
There was no public comment.

At or around 8:20pm, a motion to adjourn was duly made by Trustee LaRue, seconded by Mayor Miller and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Megan K. Sprague
Clerk/Treasurer