

**MAYOR JAMES M. JAROSZYNSKI
TRUSTEE ANTHONY CAVALLARO
TRUSTEE TIMOTHY DUNN
TRUSTEE ALAN GUSTAFSON JR.
TRUSTEE NIKKI PIERCE-absent**

**GREGORY PETERSON, ATTORNEY-absent
CINDY CAPESTRANI, VILLAGE CLERK
PAULA SPUNAUGLE, TREASURER
KEITH BABCOCK, FIRE CHIEF
PAUL CAPITANO, CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
AVERY FAULKNER, DPW SUPERINTENDENT**

The regular meeting of the Village of Falconer Mayor and Board of Trustees was held on Monday, June 8, 2026 at 6:00 pm in the Firemen's Exempt Hall with Mayor James Jaroszynski presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance & Roll:

Trustee Gustafson, Trustee Dunn, Trustee Cavallaro, and Mayor Jaroszynski were all present. Trustee Pierce was absent.

Visitors

Nina Gustafson Ian Webster

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

VISITORS ARE ALLOWED A MAXIMUM OF THREE (3) MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. THIS IS NOT THE TIME OR PLACE FOR A DEBATE. IT IS A MEETING FOR THE BOARD TO CONDUCT VILLAGE BUSINESS. ALL COMPLAINTS/REQUESTS WILL BE CONSIDERED AND REVIEWED AT A LATER TIME.

Visitor Comments

- No visitor comments

Minutes

Trustee Gustafson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Cavallaro to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2026 Regular Board of Trustee Meeting Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried.

Mayors Remarks

- Thank you to Alan Gustafson Sr. for the great job organizing the Memorial Day Parade and to Cemetery Superintendent Peter Fuller and his crew for the great job getting the cemetery ready for the Memorial Day services.
- Also, thank you to the Falconer Rotary and all those that participated in the Beautification Day.
- Continuing to meet with Chautauqua County regarding the homeless transitional housing issue.

Fire Chief

The Fire Chief's May report was reviewed and reported that the department responded to 27 EMS calls, 5 cancelled in route, 1 building fire, 4 alarm system activation-unintentional, 2 motor vehicle accident with injuries, 1 system malfunction, 1 telephone malicious false alarm, 1 service call, 1 assist invalid, 43 total incidents.

Mutual Aid Breakdown – May 2026

Given: Kennedy-3, Frewsburg-1, total 4.

Received: Alstar-2, Kennedy-1, Gerry-1, CCEMS-6, total 10.

Highlights:

- Falconer Central School 6th grade classes will be visiting the Fire Department in the next few weeks.
- Will be on stand-by this week for an aircraft landing at SKF.
- Diamond Dawgs travel softball group will be holding a car wash on June 13th at the Fire Department.

Fire Department Gun Raffle Fundraiser Request – Ian Webster

Fire Department member Ian Webster is asking for board approval to run a Gun Raffle Fundraiser for the Fire Department. An arms dealer would handle all the specifics, purchasing the guns, background checks and distributing the guns to the winners; the fire department would only be responsible for the sale of the tickets. Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gustafson to approve the fundraiser for the gun raffle requested for the Fire Department. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried.

Code Enforcement

The Code Officer report for Mau 2026 was reviewed. There were 6 building permits issued this past month totaling \$4,181 for a year-to-date total of \$6,167.

Highlights:

- Dunkin – remodel has started.
- Dollar General was approved to open for business following the repairs to the building.
- The Budget Inn was inspected with DSS with only one minor issue regarding window stops.
- Violation letters for tall grass were sent out to 7 residents.
- Remodel to start soon on 27-29 E. Main Street apartments.
- Code summer hours started Monday – Thursday, 7:00am-4:30 pm.

Department of Public Works

The DPW report was submitted for the month of June 2026.

Report Highlights:

- Planning to mill a section of Everett and Homestead and when completed the road reconstruction of W. James Street between Hickory and N. Work Street will begin.
- New generator install is complete and working at the Fire Hall.
- Working on completing the paperwork for the new backhoe with Treasurer Spunaugle.

Library

Highlights from the June 2026 Library report.

- Focusing on the 250th anniversary of our country this month, the library has a display titled “The Story of Us: The Making of a Nation Over 250 Years”.
- Students from the Falconer Central School will be visiting the library this month as part of the “Our Place” program.
- Two new programs will be starting this month. Tean Time, featuring crafts, book recommendations, games and other activities, will meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month for students in grades 6-12. Tech Coach classes will begin on Saturday, June 27 and will be offered monthly. Topics will include computer basics, scam awareness, Google account tutorials and more. Registration is required for Tech Coach classes.
- The Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System has added the Audubon Society to its Adventure Pass offerings. Patrons may check out a pass that provides free admission for up to four people. Stop into the library to learn more about this pass and other available Adventure Passes.

Finance:

- ***Resolution #7-2026 Budget Modification***

Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Cavallaro to approve Resolution #7-2026 Budget Modification to authorize the village treasurer to make the following amendments to the 2025-2026 General Fund Budget.

REVENUES

INCREASE: A2665	Sale of Equipment Funds received from Auction International	\$1,142
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APPROPRIATIONS

INCREASE: 3410.4	Fire Dept Contractual	\$825
INCREASE: 5110.4	Street Dept Contractual	\$317

REALLOCATE	Street Equipment-Camera Security	\$30,000
TO:	Street Equipment	\$30,000

TRANSFER BUDGET LINES:

8664.2	Code Equipment	\$500
1010.4	Trustee Contractual	\$2,265.85
1210.4	Mayor Contractual	\$263
TO: 8664.4	Code Contractual- deposit to start code recodification	\$3,029.34

Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, and Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried.

- ***Resolution #8-2026 Budget Modification***

Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gustafson to approve Resolution #8-2026 Budget Modification to the 2026-2027 General Fund to authorize the village treasurer to transfer \$18,975 from NYCLASS Fire Hall Maintenance for installation of new gas line to the new generator for the fire hall.

REVENUES

INCREASE: A5031	Interfund Transfers	\$18,975
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APPROPRIATIONS

INCREASE: 3410.48	V-Fire Grant	\$18,975
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Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, and Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried.

Legal:

- Falconer Night at the Ballpark will be on July 15th starting at 5pm honoring Bill Race.

Committees:

Public Safety:

- ***Dog Control Officer Report*** – No incidents were reported.
Treasurer Spunaugle is working with the fire department getting the paperwork ready to apply for a FEMA grant.

Downtown Development:

- Still waiting for an announcement on the NY Forward Grant application for our region.

Farmers Market:

- The Farmers Market starts on Sunday, June 14th from 11 am-2pm.

Parks:

- Nothing new to report.

Pine Hill Cemetery:

- It was reported that the flags placed on service members headstones were removed following Memorial Day. The American Legion was contacted and reported that someone from their organization had collected the flags not knowing that they are left in place until after Veteran's Day. The Legion has informed us that they will put the flags back on the veterans' graves. The planting of grass on the winter burials is a little behind schedule due to the lack of rain in recent weeks.
- Will be installing a few solar street lights in the cemetery.

Planning/Zoning Board

- Nothing new to report, the board is still working on the new sign code.

Historian News

- Historian Brenda Cavallaro shared the history of the Falconer Post Office.
- In 1872, the local post office in the area (then known as Worksburg) was located at the train station behind Fancher Chair and was managed by postmistress Lorinda Tracey. Two years later, in 1874, the name was officially changed to the Falconer Post Office.
- From 1893 to 1918 the post office was located on West Main Street in a building that was lost in the fires. In 1900, the post office started free rural delivery and in 1917, they started numbering the houses in the village. Home delivery started in 1918 with 2 deliveries a day.
- In February of 2018, the post office moved to 5 East Main Street to what was referred to as the "business block" and was there until 1959 when it moved across the street to a building on the corner of East Main and South Work Street.
- In 1972 the post office moved to their current location at 5 West Everett Street, constructing a new building after tearing down an existing building that was an old school.
- Time Capsule Update
 - A Falconer Printing On-line Time Capsule Store will be available all summer to place orders for shirts and tote bags to commemorate the event.
 - A community post card will be available at the Falconer Library for residents to fill out to go into the new time capsule.
 - There will be a History Walk on Friday, July 24th at 6:00 pm starting at the Community Building.
 - On Saturday, July 25th the activities start at noon with a throwback "Picnic in the Park" featuring concessions by the Falconer Kiwanis Club.
 - "The Gathering & Music" starts at 1:00 pm to view the new items going into the time capsule.
 - The official program will start at 2:00pm. Items in the 1976-time capsule will be announced and put on display for public viewing.

Old Business:

- *Peter Fuller – Fire Advisory Board – Ambulance Insurance Settlement update*
 - Waiting to hear back from Attorney Peterson before the insurance settlement check can be cashed.

- ***CCPEG Grant Award for Davis Park – discussion on plans, timeline, budget, matching funds***
 - Mayor Jaroszynski showed the board AI generated images of potential band shell structures that could be done with the approximately \$30k in grants money awarded for the Davis Park Live Project. Trustee Dunn expressed his concern about the size of the structure for the area available in Davis Park. Trustee Cavallaro also had a concern about the available space in the park, notifying Kiwanis about the plans for the current gazebo and the more important need to repair the Community Building which has been talked about for a long time.
 - Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gustafson to accept the Davis Park Live grant funding so that we can start making progress on whether or not we want to move forward with a plan to improve Davis Park. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, and Cavallaro: Nay, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried.

New Business:

- ***Community Foundation Grant Award for Davis Park Live – motion to accept***
 - The board is accepting the grant but will continue discussions on the plans to determine the best fit for Davis Park. Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gustafson to accept the Community Foundation grant award for Davis Park Live project. Discussion: a committee needs to be formed for the project so that plans can be further discussed and clubs involved in the park can be notified of the plans. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, and Cavallaro: Nay, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried.
- ***Falconer Central School Senior Class Parade Request***
 - The Falconer Senior Class parade will be held the day prior to graduation on Wednesday, June 24th starting at 6:15 pm starting at Tasta Pizza and continuing down Main Street to East Avenue, concluding at the school for a Sunset Social event from 6:30 – 8:30pm.
Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Gustafson to allow Falconer High School to have the senior parade and sunset social on June 24th. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried
- ***Peddling and Soliciting Fee – discussion to amend***
 - The board discussed amending the Peddling and Soliciting fee schedule to add a monthly fee in addition to the per day fee. This would allow a vendor, such as an ice cream vendor, to be able to get a permit for the month to eliminate having to come into the office on a weekly basis for daily permits. The board asked that a resolution be brought to the next board meeting for consideration and a vote.

Correspondence:

- ***Abstract Audit – Trustee Gustafson***

Trustee Gustafson’s letter, dated June 8, 2026, which acknowledged his review on June 8, 2026 of the unpaid vouchers for Abstract #1 (FY 26/27) and bank reconciliations from M&T Bank, Community Bank and NYCLASS for the month of April 2026 was placed into record.
- ***Letter & Donation from Chautauqua Lake Rowing Association***

Trustee Gustafson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Cavallaro to accept the donation in the amount of \$400 from the Chautauqua Lake Rowing Association for permitting the high school team to practice in the upstairs area of the Village Hall for the 2025 and 2026 seasons. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Abstain, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried

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Abstracts

Motion: It is moved by Trustee Dunn and seconded by Trustee Cavallaro that Abstract #1, General Fund in the amount of \$75,527.44 be approved for payment. Roll: Gustafson: Abstain, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried

Motion: It is moved by Trustee Gustafson and seconded by Trustee Dunn that Abstract #1, Cemetery Fund in the amount of \$2,887.64 be approved for payment Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried

Motion: It is moved by Trustee Gustafson and seconded by Trustee Dunn that Abstract #12, Library Fund tabled from the May 11 meeting in the amount of \$1,028.54 be approved for payment. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Abstain, and Jaroszynski: Aye. Nays: none. Carried.

Motion: It is moved by Trustee Dunn and seconded by Trustee Gustafson that Abstract #1, Library Fund in the amount of \$1,263.40 be approved for payment Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Abstain, and Jaroszynski: Aye. Nays: none. Carried.

Motion: It is moved by Trustee Cavallaro and seconded by Trustee Dunn that Abstract #1, General Fund Hand Items in the amount of \$9,262.95 be approved for payment. Roll: Gustafson: Aye, Dunn: Aye, Cavallaro: Aye, and Jaroszynski: Aye, Nays: none. Carried

Trustee Dunn made a motion, seconded by Trustee Cavallaro to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:29 p.m. Ayes: All, Nays: None. Carried.

*Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Capestrani, Village Clerk*