

1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Great Neck Estates on Monday,
2 Monday, March 10, 2025, at 7:00 pm. at Village Hall, 4 Atwater Plaza, Great Neck, NY

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4 Present: Mayor William D. Warner
5 Deputy Mayor Jeffrey Farkas
6 Trustee Howard Hershenhorn
7 Trustee Ira D Ganzfried
8 Trustee Lilia Shemesh
9 Nicole E. Giacobelli, Village Clerk-Treasurer
10 Kathleen L Santelli, Village Clerk-Treasurer Temporary
11 A. Thomas Levin, Esq. Village Attorney
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13 Mayor Warner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

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15 EXECUTIVE SESSION

16 On motion by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Hershenhorn and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the
17 Board convened in executive session to obtain and discuss legal advice, and matters pertaining to
18 the financial history of a particular individual

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20 Police Sgt. Shannon Noor was present for a portion of the meeting at which the Board discussed
21 legal requirements for procurement.

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23 The Board took no action in executive session.

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25 On motion by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried , and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the
26 Board returned to public session at 8:08 pm.

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28 PUBLIC HEARING

29 The Board held a public hearing with respect to a proposed 2025 contract with the Vigilant Fire
30 Department for fire protection and emergency ambulance services. After hearing all interested
31 persons, the hearing was closed on motion by Trustee Hershenhorn, seconded by Trustee
32 Ganzfried and adopted by a vote of 5-0. On motion by Trustee Hershenhorn seconded by Mayor
33 Warner and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the Board approved, and authorized the Mayor to sign on
34 behalf of the Village, the 2025 Vigilant Fire & Ambulance contract for the period January 1, 2025
35 through and including December 31, 2025.

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37 BUILDING DEPARTMENT

38 Mayor Warner noted that the EV Charging Station permit application discussion will be carried to
39 the next Board meeting scheduled for April 2nd. 2025.

40 The February 2025 Report of Building Department activity had been distributed to the Board and
41 is on file and available for inspection at the Village Office. On motion offered by Mayor Warner,
42 seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the Board accepted the February
43 2025 Building Department Report.

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45 ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

46 On motion of Trustee Farkas, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the
47 Board approved the recommendation of the Architectural Review Board to conditionally approve
48 the application of Lazar's Chocolates, 72 & 72A Middle Neck Rd, for a new storefront/façade for
49 two stores combined into one & new awning.

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51 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

52 Mayor Warner noted that the report of Public Works activity for the month of February 2025 had
53 been distributed to the Board and is on file and available for inspection at the Village Office. On
54 motion of Trustee Farkas, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried , and duly adopted by a vote of 5-0, the
55 Board accepted the February 2025 Public Works Department report. Trustee Shemesh will meet
56 with Supt Garvey to take a look at a possible walkway/staircase from the municipal parking lot up
57 to the Gateway Dr.

58 Park Railing

59 On motion of Trustee Farkas, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried to authorize installation of a
60 pool/park railing at a cost not to exceed \$2,450.00.

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62 POLICE DEPARTMENT

63 Sgt. Shannon Noor was present on behalf of Chief Moreno.
64 Mayor Warner noted that the report of Police activity for the month of February 2025 had been
65 distributed to the Board and is on file and available for inspection at the Village Office. On motion
66 offered by Trustee Ganzfried, seconded by Mayor Warner, and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the Board
67 accepted the February 2025 Police Department report.

68 Trustee Hershenhorn mentioned the recent spree of break-ins in Manhasset, Sgt. Noor stated they
69 are most likely connected to the recent activity in Great Neck Estates.

70 Authorize purchase of convertible notebook from Island Tech Services.

71 On motion offered by Deputy Mayor Farkas, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a
72 vote of 5-0, the Board voted to authorize the purchase of a convertible notebook from Island Tech
73 Services at a cost not to exceed \$3,320.00.

74 Authorize purchase of LPR's from Leonardo US C & SS, LLC.

75 [Standardization and sole source provider resolutions will be provided for insertion into the
76 minutes]

77 On motion by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the
78 Board authorized purchase of ten LPR's from Leonardo US C & SS, LLC at a cost not to exceed
79 \$292,222.39. Mayor Warner stated the Village is receiving grants of \$270,000.00 to be applied to
80 this purchase, and the balance of \$22,222.39 will be charged to the Community Amenity Fund.

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82 PARK-POOL-TENNIS – Park Commissioner reported on the expected hiring of seasonal staff
83 including lifeguards. She also spoke of swimming lessons being offered at the pool with WSI
84 certified lifeguards and a possible Pickleball League. Park Commissioner Toch suggested
85 additional music events, Zumba, water aerobics, basketball tournaments, art classes in the summer.
86 Resident Nafisi discussed water polo times with the Board.

87 Tennis Court Renovations

88 On motion offered by Deputy Mayor Farkas, seconded by Trustee Shemesh and adopted by a vote
89 of 5-0, authorizing the Village Clerk-Treasurer to advertise for bids, and designated a date and
90 time for opening of bids for the tennis court renovations when the bid documents have been
91 approved by the engineering consultant and the Village Attorney.

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93 ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

94 Commissioner Klein spoke of mapping out the new trails on the west side of Pond Park. The Boy
95 Scouts have been working on this project under the direction of Walter Mugdan, Udall's Cove
96 Preservation Committee. This project has come at no cost to the Village. They will also be
97 removing invasive species along the trail to be replaced with new plantings of native plants.
98 Commissioner Klein also suggested trail cameras by the pond as a deterrent.

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100 GREAT NECK CABLE COMMISSION

101 The Village Clerk-Treasurer was directed to contact GN/NS Cable Commission regarding
102 scheduling of the public hearing to consider the Verizon Franchise Agreement.

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104 GNE CIVIC ASSOCIATION – No report

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106 MAYOR'S REPORT

107 Reschedule April monthly Board meeting

108 On motion offered by Trustee Hershenhorn, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote
109 of 5-0, the Board rescheduled the April monthly Board of Trustees meeting to April 2, 2025, at
110 8:00 pm.

111 Schedule Meeting to Consider the Tentative Budget

112 The Tentative Budget for 2025-2026 is expected to be available by March 24, 2024. On motion
113 by Trustee Hershenhorn, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried and adopted 5-0, the Board scheduled a
114 meeting to be held on March 24, 2025, at 7:00 pm. for consideration of the proposed tentative
115 budget.

116 Authorize Mayor to sign Newport Engineering PC Agreement for Road Program

117 On motion offered by Deputy Mayor Farkas, seconded by Trustee Hershenhorn, and adopted by a
118 vote of 5-0, the Board authorized the Mayor to execute on behalf of the Village an agreement with
119 Newport Engineering PC for the evaluation phase of the Road Program at a cost not to exceed
120 \$14,500.00 to be charged to the Capital I Road Account

121 Authorize Mayor to sign Kroll LLC Agreement.

122 On motion offered by Trustee Ganzfried, seconded by Trustee Shemesh, and adopted by a vote of
123 5-0, the Board authorized Mayor Warner to sign an agreement with Kroll, LLC for a fixed asset
124 report for fiscal year ending 5/31/25 at a cost not to exceed \$2,200.00.

125 Accept proposal from John McGowan & Sons Inc. for Police Auxiliary Parking.
126 On motion offered by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote of
127 5-0, the Board accepted a proposal from John McGowan for construction of the Police Auxiliary
128 Parking at a cost not to exceed \$17,000.00 to be charged to Community Amenity Fund.

129 2025 Restaurant License Renewals

130 Mayor Warner reported that he had approved the following restaurant license renewals:

131	Elite Pizza	94 Middle Neck Road
132	Golden Garden	150A Middle Neck Rd.
133	Grill Time	86 & 90 Middle Neck Rd.
134	La Pizzeria & La Gelato	114-116 Middle Neck Rd.
135	Ralph's Famous Italian Ices	150 Middle Neck Rd.
136	Rothchild's Coffee & Kitchen	76 Middle Neck Rd.

137 Set Public Hearing for 2025-26 Budget

138 On motion offered by Trustee Hershenhorn, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote
139 of 5-0. The Board scheduled a public hearing with respect to the 2025/2026 budget, to be held on
140 April 2, 2025, at 7:00 pm, and authorized the Village Clerk-Treasurer to give notice of such hearing
141 as required by law.

142 Set Public Hearing for Proposed Bill GNE 2025A regarding exceeding the State Tax Cap.

143 On motion offered by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Shemesh, and adopted by a vote of 5-
144 0, the Board scheduled a public hearing to be held on April 2, 2025, at 8:00 pm with respects to
145 proposed Bill GNE 2025A

146 Set Public Hearing for Case #BT1-2025 & #BT2-2025 Sub-division/Lot Line Adjustment.

147 On motion offered by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote of 5-
148 0, the Board voted to set the public hearing to consider BT #1-2025 Barlia and BT #2-2025 JB &
149 JB 14M LLC to be held on April 2, 2025, at 8:00 pm.

150 On motion offered by Mayor Warner, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote of 5-
151 0, it was

152 RESOLVED, that the applications for the proposed subdivision/lot line adjustments for
153 BT#1-2025, 26 Amherst Rd. and BT#2-2025, 14 Mirrielees Rd. are each Type II Actions pursuant
154 to the State Environmental Quality Review Act, requiring no separate environmental review.

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156 CLERK-TREASURER

157 Mayor Warner noted that the financial report for February 2025 had been submitted to the Board
158 and is on file and available for inspection at the Village Office. On motion offered by Mayor
159 Warner, seconded by Trustee Ganzfried, and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the Board accepted the
160 February 2025 financial report.

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162 MINUTES

163 Mayor Warner stated that draft minutes of the February 10, 2025 meeting were reviewed by the
164 Village Attorney and Board of Trustees. On motion offered by Mayor Warner, seconded by
165 Deputy Mayor Farkas, and adopted by a vote of 5-0, the Board approved the minutes of February
166 10, 2025, as amended and presented to the Board. The approved minutes are on file in the Village
167 office.

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169 ABSTRACTS

170 On motion offered by Trustee Ganzfried, seconded by Trustee Shemesh, and adopted by a vote of
171 5-0, the Board ratified payment of the claims on Abstract #202426 in the amount of \$160,261.84
172 for contractual bills; and approved payment of claims on General Abstract #202427 in the amount
173 of \$189,552.74 for February bills,

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175 There being no further business, a motion was offered by Trustee Hershenhorn. seconded by
176 Mayor Warner, and unanimously adopted by a vote of 5-0, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm.

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178 Respectfully submitted,
179 Nicole E. Giacopelli
180 Village Clerk-Treasurer