

**Approved
Village of Nichols
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2026**

- I. Call to Order:** – 7:00 p.m.
- II. Attendance** – Mayor: Lesley Pelotte, Trustees: S. Varga, A. Hill, Ray Thetga Jr. B. Myers.
- III. Privilege of the Floor:** – N/A
- IV. Code Enforcement Report:** – December 2025 and January 2026- 4 inspections, 3 follow-up inspections. 1 building permit, 1 contractors permit, and 2 temporary certificates of occupancy.
- V. Approval of December 2025 Minutes:** – Motion to approve the December Minutes:
Offered: R. Thetga Jr.
Second: A. Hill
Aye: 5 Nay: 0
Carried
- VI. REAP (Rural Economic Area Partnership) Report:** – Ann attended a virtual meeting that was basically an organizational meeting.
- VII. Committee Reports:**
- A. Trees / Street Lights (B. Myers) – All good
 - B. Levee/Sidewalks (S. Varga) – All good
 - C. Insurance (R. Thetga Jr,) – All good
 - D. Grants/Investments (A Hill)- Nothing pending.
 - E. Streets/Park (L. Pelotte) – Streets ok. Park ok.
- VIII. Old Business:**
- A. IRS Filing- Mayo is working with accountant. This years W2's have been sent out and electronically filed with paper copies sent to IRS.
 - B. Amazon Account – Now tax exempt.
 - C. Village Hall Upgrades – still working on estimates for incinolet and propane heater.
 - D. Snow on sidewalks- Joey has the hang tags.
 - E. Little League Agreement – Still need to get with new L.L. representative
 - F. Joey's Replacement. Interviewed Brandon Sickler, went over duties and expectations and Mr. Sickler and he seems to be a great fit for the Village. Motion to hire Mr. Sickler.
Offered: S. Varga

Second: R. Thetga
Aye: 5 Nay:0
Carried

IX. New Business:

- A. Resolution 1-2026 Introduction of Local Law 1-2026 to exceed tax cap:
Offered: R. Thetga Jr.
Second: B. Myers
Aye: 5 Nay: 0
Carried
- B. Resolution 2-2026 to move \$15,000.00 from savings to Building other for Village Hall upgrades.
Offered: S. Varga
Second: A. Hill
Aye: 5 Nay: 0
Carried
- C. New York Rising final Closeout- We have received the Final Closeout Letter. This represents over 13 years of work on our 4 Projects. Levee Accreditation, Emergency Preparedness, Park, and Firehouse
- D. ARPA/ SLFRF – We have received the final closeout letter for SLFRF funds. The funds were used to purchase a slope mower to be able to safely mow the Levee .

X Correspondence: Perch Community Solar Summary. To date we have Saved \$10.16. Not a lot of money but savings just the same.

XI. Financial:

- A. Board review of monthly financial statements
- B. Payment of monthly bills –
Offered: S. Varga
Second: B. Myers
Aye: 5 Nay: 0
Carried

XII. Close / Adjourn – Motion to adjourn: 7:50

Offered: R. Thetga Jr.
Second: A. Hill
Aye: 5: Nay: 0
Carried