

**The Village of Nelsonville Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 19, 2025**

The Village of Nelsonville Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall, with Mayor Winward presiding and Trustees Moroney and Potts present. Trustees Anderson and Zhynovitch were absent.

Pledge to the Flag

Mayor Winward opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Vouchers

Abstract #6 in the amount of \$64,951.42 was audited and ordered paid by a motion from Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried three in favor, two absent.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 15, 2025 meeting were approved by motion from Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried three in favor, two absent.

Correspondence

Clerk Harris summarized the following correspondence:

- Haldane School Foundation re: Turkey Trot
- Putnam County re: Local Solid Waste Management Plan
- NYS Department of Public Service winter preparedness outreach

Reports

Clerk Harris

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Clerk Harris read the Treasurers' Report

Village of Nelsonville
Treasurer's Report
31-Oct-25

GENERAL FUND

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| Previous Balance | | \$547,935.76 |
| Receipts: | | |
| Total | \$12,810.77 | |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Total | \$19,409.61 | |
| Current Balance | | \$541,336.92 |
| Checking Account | \$541,336.92 | |
| Savings Account | \$131,631.99 | |
| TOTAL | \$672,968.91 | |

Mayor Winward

- The Village's holiday tree lighting and holiday celebration will be held on December 6th at 5:30 p.m. in the park across the street.

- Trail parking at Gatehouse Road is temporarily closed. Emergency measures were taken to close the upper Gatehouse Road parking area because the small lot, which can only hold about five cars, was overflowing. Cars were parking along the one-lane dirt road, blocking access for residents and emergency services, and were parking in front of the emergency access gate. The mayor stated that there is still parking access to the trailheads at the Pearl Street lot, and access from Cedar Street, there is also parking at the Lonestar parking area on Fishkill Road.

Trustee Moroney

- The Village has been preparing for winter. The Royal Carting leaf pickup occurred earlier in the day. Brook Street was paved, and the street sign was replaced on Secor Street at North Pearl Street. ADA strips at intersections will be replaced, and street line painting may occur if weather permits. A parking spot will be added on Adams Avenue for winter parking. Village streets will continue to be cleared of leaves.

New Business

Approve JCAP Grant Request Resolution

Mayor Winward invited Clerk Harris to summarize the JCAP request. Clerk Harris outlined the court's recent security assessment and the following recommended improvements:

1. Exterior lighting
2. Security camera system
3. Intrusion and duress alarms

These items are fully eligible for JCAP funding.

The Clerk read the resolution:

**Resolution to Approve Justice Court Assistance Program
Grant Application**

WHEREAS, the State of New York Unified Court System solicits applications from local governments under the Justice Court Assistance Program to assist local Justice Departments with funding; and

WHEREAS, this funding available under the State of New York Unified Court System would facilitate local efforts to upgrade the Village of Nelsonville's Justice Department;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Nelsonville authorizes the Nelsonville Justice Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2025-26 grant cycle up to \$30,000.00.

Roll Call:

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| Mayor Winward | Aye |
| Trustee Anderson | Absent |
| Trustee Moroney | Aye |
| Trustee Potts | Aye |
| Trustee Zhynovitch | Absent |

Approve Haldane School Foundation Turkey Trot

The Mayor summarized the Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot route and noted that the Village received the required Certificate of Insurance listing Nelsonville as an additional insured.

A motion to approve the route was made by Mayor Winward, seconded by Trustee Moroney, carried three in favor, two absent.

Old Business

Update on Kushner Lawsuits

Mayor Winward gave a summary of the Kushner lawsuits, stating that the Village has had a resident, Mr. Kushner, attempt to sue the Village four times at least since 2022; it may go back further. Each of those cases has been dismissed by the NYS Supreme Court, including this last dismissal on November 10. On November 10, 2025, the court agreed that Mr. Kushner's conduct is frivolous and warrants a personal injunction. Mr. Kushner, individually or through counsel, is prohibited from filing any new actions, proceedings, and/or submissions concerning or related to

13 Gatehouse Road until the Appellate Division has decided all pending appeals. While the court declined to award the Village monetary sanctions, the court did sanction Mr. Kushner's attorney \$1,000 for filing unwarranted notices of pendency against the co-respondent John Duggan's property.

Approve County Sales Tax Revenue Sharing IMA

Resolution to Approve the Intermunicipal Agreement between Putnam County and the Village of Nelsonville for the Purposes of Sharing Sales Tax Revenue

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Nelsonville, held at the Village of Nelsonville Village Hall on the 19th day of November, 2025, at 7:00 pm, Mayor Winward moved this Resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Moroney.

WHEREAS, The county has agreed to extend the additional 1% County Sales Tax for an additional two years, through November 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, The sales tax revenue share must be utilized for infrastructure projects and capital improvements, which may include design and planning; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorizes the mayor to sign the agreement with the county.

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all members voting as follows:

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| Mayor Winward | Aye |
| Trustee Anderson | Absent |
| Trustee Moroney | Aye |
| Trustee Potts | Aye |
| Trustee Zhynovitch | Absent |

Open to the Floor

A resident asked about the change in snow plowing contractor, and the mayor stated that the Village has contracted with the Town of Philipstown Highway Department for snow plowing.

A resident asked a question about the Gate House Road parking.

Adjournment

Upon motion of Trustee Moroney, seconded by Trustee Potts, carried three in favor, two absent, the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully presented,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melissa Harris'. The signature is stylized with a large, rounded 'M' and a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Melissa Harris
Village Clerk

