



**WORK SESSION AGENDA
MARCH 2, 2026**

MAYOR'S REPORT

CODE ENFORCEMENT – DAVE RICE

FIRE DEPARTMENT – CHIEF SEKUTERSKI

COMMUNITY LIAISON – KIM BOURKE

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR COZZA

DEPUTY MAYOR GAUGHAN

- A) Hamburgh Holidays
- B) Beautification
- C) Recreation

TRUSTEE HACKATHORN

- A) Historic Preservation
- B) Economic Development

TRUSTEE PARK

- A) Environmental Conservation
- B) Justice Department

TRUSTEE DAVIS

- A) Planning Commission
- B) Architectural Review Committee

VILLAGE ATTORNEY MURPHY

POLICE CHIEF RICK SCHARA

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT SHUTTLEWORTH

- A) Updates

RECREATION SUPERVISOR HAEICK

VILLAGE OF HAMBURG

Vision: *The Most Desirable Community in Western New York Where Quality of Life, Affordability and Innovation is the Norm.*

Mission: *Village Representatives and Employees that care for the Community by efficiently providing services while preparing for the future.*

GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION: (HAMBURG VILLAGE BOARD POLICY ESTABLISHED 4/19/99)

1) The public shall be allowed to speak only during the Public Expression periods of the meeting or at such other times as a majority of the Board shall allow. 2) Speakers must give their name, address and organization, if any. 3) Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer. 4) Speakers must limit remarks to three (3) minutes per person and a maximum of twelve (12) minutes regarding each subject matter. 5) Speakers may not yield any remaining time they may have to another speaker. 6) All remarks shall be addressed to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof. 7) Speakers shall observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity and good taste. Unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated and might result in removal from the building. 8) Interested parties or their representatives may address the Board by written communication.

MEETING AGENDA MARCH 2, 2026

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

**** PUBLIC HEARING RE: 2026-2027 BUDGET ****

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

4. CHARACTER COUNCIL OF WNY: The virtue for March is Enthusiasm. Enthusiasm is expressing joy in each task as I give it my best effort.

5. PUBLIC EXPRESSION:

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A) Marg Rust re: Request to use Memorial Park for the annual *Garden Walk* on Saturday and Sunday, July 11 and 12, 2026
- B) Imagine Hamburg re: Request to hold the annual *Movie in the Park* in Memorial Park on Thursday, July 23, 2026
- C) Sheryl Weppner, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 527 re: Request to hold Poppy Distribution Days in the Village of Hamburg during the month of May
All correspondence is received, reviewed and on file in the Clerk-Treasurer's office

7. TRUSTEE MOTIONS

8. STAFF REPORTS

9. FURTHER PUBLIC EXPRESSION

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

11. CLOSE MEETING

**MOTIONS
REGULAR MEETING**

1. **MOTION** by Trustee Hackathorn, seconded by Trustee _____, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

AYES:
NAYS:

2. **MOTION** by Trustee Hackathorn, seconded by Trustee _____,

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING INCREASED AID TO MUNICIPALITIES AND
STRENGTHENING NEW YORK'S STATE-LOCAL PARTNERSHIP**

WHEREAS, Governor Kathy Hochul released her 30-day amendments to the Executive Budget, which include an additional \$100 million in Temporary Municipal Assistance (TMA) to be allocated in the same manner as in the past two years; and

WHEREAS, these additional investments reflect a recognition that New York's strength begins in its cities, villages, and towns, and that a strong state-local partnership is essential to delivering the services, infrastructure, public safety, and quality of life that residents expect and deserve; and

WHEREAS, local governments across New York continue to face mounting fiscal pressures driven by inflation, increased service demands, infrastructure needs, and rising operational costs, while striving to provide relief to taxpayers amid a rising cost of living; and

WHEREAS, NYCOM Executive Director Barbara Van Epps, along with mayors from across the State, testified at the Local Government Joint Budget Hearing in Albany, advocating for increased unrestricted aid and a strengthened state-local partnership; and

WHEREAS, the additional \$100 million in TMA will offer meaningful assistance to many municipalities statewide, helping to address fiscal challenges and maintain essential services for residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Hamburg applauds Governor Hochul for recognizing the importance of investing in local governments and for reaffirming her commitment to strengthening New York's cities and villages; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Hamburg urges the New York State Legislature to include, at a minimum, this additional \$100 million in Temporary Municipal Assistance in the adopted state budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Hamburg calls upon the Governor and the State Legislature to develop a more permanent and predictable solution for unrestricted municipal aid to ensure long-term fiscal stability for New York's local governments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Temporary President of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the members of the State Legislature representing the Village of Hamburg.

AYES:
NAYS:

**MOTIONS
REGULAR MEETING**

3. **MOTION** by Deputy Mayor Gaughan, seconded by Trustee _____, to approve the use of Memorial Park for the 22nd Annual *Hamburg Garden Walk* from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 11 and Sunday, July 12, 2026.

AYES:
NAYS:

4. **MOTION** by Deputy Mayor Gaughan, seconded by Trustee _____, to approve the request by Imagine: Hamburg to hold the annual *Movie in the Park* in Memorial Park from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 23, 2026, with a rain date of Thursday, July 30, 2026.

AYES:
NAYS:

5. **MOTION** by Trustee Park, seconded by Trustee _____, to authorize Mayor Thomas P. Tallman to sign the 2025 Sponsor Authorization Form prepared by the Service Award Program Committee for the eligibility of members of the Hamburg Volunteer Fire Department for the Service Award Program.

AYES:
NAYS:

6. **MOTION** by Trustee Davis, seconded by Trustee _____, to authorize Mayor Thomas P. Tallman to sign the Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement by and between The Village of Hamburg and the Inspire Foundation, permitting the use of Parcel 196.09-1-27.1 commonly referred to as 30 Buffalo Street, for a community festival called Burgerfest.

AYES:
NAYS:

7. **MOTION** by Trustee Hackathorn, seconded by Trustee _____, to authorize the payment of the Village of Hamburg Accounts for the period ending March 2, 2026.

AYES:
NAYS: