At the regular Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees
held March 11, 2026

Mayor Bucciferro called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustee Brown, Trustee Cook, Trustee Gray, Trustee Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Bucciferro opened the privilege of the floor at 7:08p.m.
Megan Rogers of 412 Charles St; spoke in support for the Schenectady County Food Council resolution; volunteers to help those in need.
Tad Boniewski of 503 Charles St; questioned status of Sunnyside Road Bridge Project and overnight parking; concerned with neighbor that has been parking in the street for several week. Questioned if Village has grant available to change water service lines to homes.
Mayor Bucciferro closed the privilege of the floor at 7:13p.m.

LOCAL LAW 2026-1 AUTHORIZING A PROPERTY TAX LEVY IN EXCESS OF THE LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIAPL LAW §3-C

a) **Public Hearing**
Mayor Bucciferro opened the public hearing at 7:13p.m
No one wished to speak.
Mayor Bucciferro closed the public hearing 7:14p.m.

b) **Action**
MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown that
Whereas, a public hearing was held, this night, March 11, 2026 on proposed Local Law 2026-1 relating to Property Tax Levy in Excess of the Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees adopts proposed Local Law 2026-1.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL FARGIONE TO PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook that
Whereas, the Village has previously implemented the use of part-time Police Officers, and
Whereas, interviews have been conducted, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that Michael Fargione is appointed to the position of Part-Time Police Officer effective March 11, 2026.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

AGREEMENT WITH KB ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURE, PC FOR MS4 PROGRAM

MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Solotruck that
Whereas, the Village of Scotia is required to comply with the mandated MS4 Program, and
Whereas, the Village is in need of professional engineering assistance to do so, and
Whereas, the Village has received and reviewed a proposal from KB Engineering & Architecture, PC, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves the proposal from KB Engineering & Architecture, PC dated February 6, 2026 for professional engineering services associated with the MS4 Program in the amount of $53,900.00 and authorize the Mayor to sign the same.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

BELLAMY CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER #1

MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that
Whereas, the Bellamy Construction Company was awarded a contract as part of the Village Corrosion Control Project on December 10, 2025 and an agreement was entered into, and
Whereas, unanticipated additional work is required, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves Change Order #1 with Bellamy Construction Company in the amount of a $5,558.14 increase.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

COLLINS LAKE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT
SEQRA NEGATIVE DECLARATION
RESOLUTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE VILLAGE OF SCOTIA DETMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT(SEQRA) REGULATIONS 6NYCRR PART 617

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia has determined that it needs to continue to treat Collins Lake with an herbicide in order to target treat the invasive Water Chestnut; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia has reviewed treatment options with Ready Scout, LLC and has determined the use of the herbicide, Sculpin G will selectively control the target invasive plant allowing desirable native species to remain for fish habitat, bottom cover and oxygen production; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the environmental review of the project, the Village of Scotia Village Board has accepted Lead Agency status and has conducted a coordinated review of this unlisted action in compliance with regulations required under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Scotia Village Board as lead agency has completed a final detailed review of the Part 2 of the SEAF, and has made a determination that this unlisted action will not have a significant environmental impact;

Now, on Motion of Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Gray, it is hereby

Resolved, that the Mayor of the Village of Scotia, acting as responsible officer of the Village of Scotia Village Board is hereby authorized to make a negative declaration and to complete and sign the

Determination of Significance on the SEQR Full Environmental Assessment Form indicating that the project will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

ROLL CALL VOTE;

Mayor Bucciferro	VOTING YES
Trustee Brown	VOTING YES
Trustee Cook	VOTING YES
Trustee Gray	VOTING YES
Trustee Solotruck	VOTING YES

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BUDGET
MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown to table pending further review.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

AGREEMENT WITH MARSHALL & STERLING FOR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION SERVICES
MOVED by Trustee Gray, seconded by Trustee Solotruck to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Marshall & Sterling for Third Party Administration Combined Services regarding retiree billing in the amount of $4.50/monthly per retiree.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

CHA CONSULTING, INC. PAYMENT #32
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that
Whereas, the Village has received a grant for the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement, and
Whereas, the Village entered into an agreement on July 13, 2022 with CHA Consulting for Project Architectural/Engineering services, now therefore,
Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves payment #32 to CHA Consulting, Inc. for professional services related to the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement in the amount of $5,926.22.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

CHA CONSULTING, INC. PAYMENT #33
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Gray that
Whereas, the Village has received a grant for the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement, and
Whereas, the Village entered into an agreement on July 13, 2022 with CHA Consulting for Project Architectural/Engineering services, now therefore,

Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves payment #33 to CHA Consulting, Inc. for professional services related to the Sunnyside Road Rehabilitation or Replacement in the amount of $29,587.83.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

LIONS PAVILION WAIVER OF FEES
MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook that
Whereas, the Scotia-Glenville Lions Club has applied for a Park Use Permit for the Lions Club Pavilion in Collins Park on May 16, 2026 for a 5K Race/Walk Fundraiser and
Whereas, the Scotia-Glenville Lions Club has requested that the Park Use fees be waived, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees waives the Park Use Fees for the Scotia-Glenville Lions Club for use of the Lions Club Pavilion in Collins Park on May 16, 2026.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

ANIMAL PROTECTIVE FOUNDATION ALCOHOL PERMIT
MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray that
Whereas, the Animal Protective Foundation has applied for a permit to use the Lions Club Pavilion in Collins Park on June 7, 2026 in conjunction with a Woofstock 5K/Walk-A-Thon and Music Festival, and
Whereas, as part of the function they have also applied to serve/consume alcohol and sell Woofstock merchandise, both of which require approval of the Board of Trustees, now therefore
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees approves an Alcohol Permit and Vending Permit for Animal Protective Foundation at the Lions Club Pavilion on June 7, 2026.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

POLICE DEPARTMENT SURPLUS VEHICLES
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Cook that
Whereas, the Police Department has identified police vehicles 2016 Ford Explorer, VIN#1FM5K8AR8GGC73017 and 2018 Ford Tauras, VIN #1FM5K8AR8GGC73017 as no longer needed and surplus, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees declares police department police vehicles 2016 Ford Explorer, VIN#1FM5K8AR8GGC73017 and 2018 Ford Tauras, VIN #1FM5K8AR8GGC73017 as no longer needed and surplus and further authorizes the Police Chief or his designee to sell or dispose of the items as authorized by law.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

BUDGET AMENDMENT
MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray to amend FY25-26 Budget to Increase F.9060.8300 (Medical/Dental) by $12,000; offset by F Fund Balance.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

UPSTATE PLOW AND BODY WORK AGREEMENT
MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Gray that
Whereas, a Statutory Installment Bond was authorized for the purchase of Fire/Paramedic Large SUV with Upfit, and
Whereas, quotes have been received for the upfit, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Board of Trustees accepts the quote of Upstate Plow and Body Work in the amount of $25,604.84.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

RFQ FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that
Whereas, the Village is interested in applying for additional water grant funds, and
Whereas, an RFQ for engineering services must be issued by the Village to allow expenses for the same to be eligible under a potential grant, now therefore,
Be it Resolved, that the Clerk-Treasurer is authorized to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services related to Drinking Water System Improvements (DWSRF) and Wastewater Collection and/or Treatment Improvements (CWSRF).
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown to accept the Departmental Reports with thanks.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

MAYOR'S COMMENTS TO THE BOARD
Village is waiting on reimbursement from DOT for Sunnyside Bridge project related expenses; the funding is federal funds that pass through the state. Congressman Tonko Grant; receiving preliminary costs for potential projects to be funded through the grant. BOA Pre-Development Grant; funding engineering report for the downtown streetscape project. NY Forward Grant; announcement should be made soon.

CORRESPONDENCE, LIAISON AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Gray – Traffic Safety Meeting; will schedule with Chief. Thanked Congressman Tonko for $500,000 grant.

Trustee Brown – Attended Zoning Board meeting; reviewed Scotia Manion project, board had good discussion with residents and developer. Both variances applied for were granted. Zoning board suggested that the Traffic Safety Committee review a possible three way stop at Wallace and Fifth Street. Special Events – Special Event Guidelines are on website; attended meeting with Memorial Day Parade Committee.

Trustee Solotruck – Planning Board; no meeting held. Glad Zoning Board meeting went well. Municipal Facilities Project is on track and within budget. New business has opened on Mohawk Avenue; Upstate Halal Bros.

Trustee Cook – BID – Upstate Halal opened serving mediterranean cuisine. Amazing Grazing – new business on the Ave, Perk & Panini's will be opening mid to late April and a flower wholesaler will also be coming to the avenue; encouraged everyone to shop local. BID has a St. Patrick's Day Promotion; for more information visit gotoscotia.com. Welcomed Michael Fargione to the Police Department. Police Chief recently hosted a Chief Conference in the Village. School District-residents will be impacted by the reduction in elementary school; encourage Village support during the transition including waiving any park fees for school events in the park related to the redistricting. Food Security Resolution was passed at the work session; thanked residents for attending and thanked the board for their support.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown to approve the budget adjustments for the month of February.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

MUNICPAL FACILITIES AUDIT OF CLAIMS
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated March 11, 2026 be allowed and ordered paid in full in the amount of $516,358.72 charged to the H04-Capital Project Fund Further the Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to draw checks in the claimants' favor and in the full amount listed and charge the same to the funds listed therein.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

AUDIT OF CLAIMS
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that be it resolved that all claims against the Village dated March 11, 2026 be allowed and ordered paid in full, in the amount of $185,652.52 charged to the following funds.

A-General Fund	$133,345.72
F-Water Fund	$ 27,681.48
G-Sewer Fund	$ 24,625.32

Further the Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to draw checks in the claimants' favor and in the full amount listed and charge the same to the funds listed therein.
Abstentions: None
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 11, 2026
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that the minutes of the February11, 2026 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2026
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that the minutes of the February 17, 2026 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.
Ayes: Trustee Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: Trustee Brown and Trustee Cook

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING HELD MARCH 3, 2026
MOVED by Trustee Solotruck, seconded by Trustee Brown that the minutes of the March 3, 2026 Village of Scotia, Board of Trustees meeting are hereby approved.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: Trustee Gray

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNITY GARDEN FEES
MOVED by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Brown to amend the Community Garden Fee to $15.00.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

SHARED SERVICES COMMITTEE
MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Gray to request that the Mayor explore the interest among neighboring municipalities to hold a regular meeting to discuss opportunities for increased inter municipality cooperation.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

ADJOURNMENT
MOVED by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Cook to adjourn the meeting at 7:52p.m.
Ayes: Trustee Brown, Cook, Gray, Solotruck and Mayor Bucciferro
Noes: None
Abstentions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Maria A. Schmitz
Clerk to the Village Board of Trustees