Village of Fort Edward Board of Trustees – Public Hearing Monday, February 3, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Traver called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Trustee Williams, Trustee Carpenter, Trustee Cutler, Trustee Boucher **Absent**: Janelle Rose

Present: Luke Mosseau, Shannon Gillis, Kyle Cozzens, Denise Mayer, Therese Gillis, Jeff Caprood, Vicki Plude, Melanie Dickinson, Mike Dickinson, Angela Presley, Ben Bramlage, Ron Atkinson, Rosemary Madonna, Tracy Murray, Amanda Durkee, Rich Bamkinger, Matthew Rimkanas, Rob Martin, Frank Burkhardt.

Highlights

- The meeting focused on the regulation of PFAS substances, highlighting New York state's recent law banning the sale of consumer goods containing PFAS.
- The board emphasized the need for thorough review and discussion of local laws regarding PFAS to ensure public safety.

E Key Updates

- Board members expressed concerns about the environmental impact of PFAS and the community's historical issues with pollutants like PCBs and TCEs.
- A moratorium on PFAS-related activities was proposed to allow time for further research and community input.

Interactive Q&A

- Public comments were encouraged, with residents expressing gratitude for the board's responsiveness and support for the moratorium.
- Concerns were raised about the implications of the proposed local law, including potential violations for residents and businesses.

Recognition And Gratitude

- Community members thanked the board for their quick action and attentiveness to public concerns regarding environmental safety.
- The board was commended for listening to constituents and prioritizing public health.

Future Projections

- The board plans to keep the public hearing open for additional comments and will reconvene on March 3rd for further discussion on the moratorium.
- The county planning board's feedback will be awaited before any final decisions are made regarding the proposed local law.

S Decisions And Announcements

- The board decided not to vote on the moratorium during this meeting, opting instead to gather more information and community feedback.
- A follow-up public hearing is scheduled for March 3rd at 6:00 p.m.to continue discussions on the PFAS moratorium.

Respectfully submitted,

Janelle Rose Village Clerk-Treasurer