

JANUARY 7, 2026  
REGULAR MEETING – 4:00 PM

**Present:** Mayor Grimshaw, Trustees: Emery, Harter, Linerode, and Hotchkiss, John Power, Marcia Delong, and Matt Halsey  
Bryan Haynes (arrived at 4:25 pm)

Mayor Grimshaw called the regular meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 3, 2025 were approved by Trustee Harter, seconded Trustee Emery.

The following claims were approved for payment on motion of Trustee Emery seconded by Trustee Harter, all aye:

General Fund Abstract:	7B: \$41,540.84
	8A: \$8,827.01
	8B: \$25,582.08
Water Fund Abstract:	7B: \$48,162.64
	8A: \$11,838.64
	8B: \$20,920.81
Sewer Fund Abstract:	7B: \$56,277.90
	8A: \$11,838.61
	8B: \$32,682.51

Reports were given by Mayor Grimshaw on behalf of William Hamacher/Zoning/Code Enforcement and John Power/Village Administrator

The Village Board resolved to hold the Village Election on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 from 12:00 pm until 9:00 pm, at the Village Hall, 3236 Main Street, Mexico New York 13114 on motion of Trustee Hotchkiss, seconded Trustee Emery, all aye.

The following were appointed Inspectors of Election on motion of Trustee Hotchkiss, seconded Trustee Linerode, all aye, Lois Beyer and Nancy Marks

On motion of Trustee Emery, seconded Trustee Linerode, all aye, the Public Hearing on proposed Local Law #1 of 2026 “Creating a Village Constabulary in the Village of Mexico” at 4:00 pm at the Village Hall, 3236 Main Street, Mexico New York 13114.

On motion of Trustee Hotchkiss, seconded Trustee Harter, all aye, the Public Hearing on proposed Local Law #2 of 2026 “Override tax Levy” will immediately following Public Hearing on Local Law #1 of 2026.

On motion of Trustee Hotchkiss, seconded Trustee Emery, all aye, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
DECLARING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER SEQRA  
BECK’S HOTEL RENOVATION PROJECT, VILLAGE OF MEXICO, NEW YORK**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Mexico (the “Village”) has been identified as the Lead Agency for purposes of environmental review pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and its implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed action, known as the Beck’s Hotel Renovation Project (the “Project”), involves the renovation and improvement of an existing hotel structure located within the Village of Mexico, including interior and exterior upgrades, code compliance improvements, accessibility improvements, and related site work; and

**WHEREAS**, the Project is proposed to be funded in part through \$1,836,000 in New York State Empire State Development assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board of Trustees has reviewed the Project as an Unlisted Action under SEQRA; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village, as Lead Agency, has completed and reviewed the Full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF), including Part 1 (Project and Setting), Part 2 (Identification of Potential Environmental Impacts), and Part 3 (Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Potential Impacts); and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has considered all relevant areas of environmental concern, including but not limited to land use, zoning consistency, community character, historic and cultural resources, traffic, noise, air quality, water resources, stormwater, utilities, and energy use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board finds that the Project involves the renovation of an existing structure, is consistent with existing zoning and land use patterns, and will not result in any significant change to the intensity of use of the site; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has determined that the Project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, either individually or cumulatively;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:**

- 1. The Village of Mexico Board of Trustees hereby determines that the Beck’s Hotel Renovation Project will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, and a Negative Declaration is hereby issued pursuant to SEQRA and 6 NYCRR Part 617.
- 2. No Environmental Impact Statement shall be required for this action.
- 3. MSPEN Consulting is hereby authorized and directed to file and circulate this Negative Declaration in accordance with the requirements of SEQRA, including filing with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) as required.

Now, THEREFORE, on motion made by Trustee Hotchkiss and seconded by Trustee Emery BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS

Motion adopted as follows:

Terry Grimshaw, Mayor	YES
James Hotchkiss, Trustee	YES
James Emery, Trustee	YES
Robert Harter, Trustee	YES
Susan Linerode, Trustee	YES

Marcia Delong updated the board on the status of the committees that she is a part of.

Bryan Haynes addressed the board of how we bill for the water project debt and his disagreement.

On motion of Trustee Emery, seconded Trustee Linerode, all aye, the meeting adjourned at 4:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Traci Wallace  
Village Clerk