

PRESENT: Deputy Supervisor, Patty Bikowsky, Councilpersons Jim Lundrigan & Brad Dixon, Town Clerk Tina Livermore, Highway Superintendent Jeff Bailey, Historian Diane VanSlyke and 5 guests.

Deputy Supervisor Patty Bikowsky opened the meeting at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Jim Lundrigan made the motion seconded by Brad Dixon to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Minutes from the February 12, 2026 meeting were read by Town Clerk Tina Livermore. Jim Lundrigan made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

REPORTS: Supervisor's Report; Highway Supt. Report; Town Clerk Report; Bookkeeper Report; Code Enforcer Report; Court Justice Report; Historian Report

Reports were presented and viewed by the Board.

Patty announced that Abbert road will resume work in April. Pat Kitchen hasn't completed the job yet as there is black topping to be done but the original quote was met so it is going to take about \$10,000 more to complete. The town crew have been working on the ditches and culverts along with the trout stream. Before any road work can be done they need to fix the problems with the road causing all the damage.

Patty said that they are waiting for the ice to melt off before they work on the dam. They have been bringing in equipment and pipes. Cofferdam will be in May or June. 3-48" H.D.P pipes will be installed on the Causeway.

Chapin Survey will be surveying the Town Garage and the Town building, as we are in the process of buying the Village Hall.

Jeff said they are still working on the garage installing new stairs, putting in a garage-exhaust fan and working on the all the electric making sure everything is up to codes. He did order a new fire panel box. The guys have been busy plowing and sanding the roads along with checking culverts, cleaning up wash outs, cutting up trees and cleaning up around the yard. There was a pile of scape metal they took to Norwich and Vines-u-pull-it will come and pick up the 2008 chevy junk truck. When they aren't working on the roads they are in the shop working on equipment getting ready for spring. Jeff said they took the F550 to Bishton's for some repairs.

Jeff has found a skid steer for sale at the Town of Hamilton highway dept. The boys are going to go look at it to see if it will fit their needs.

Jeff also found a 2018 automatic plow truck, 6 wheeler with 11 ft blade and a sander on the back from the Village of Camillas. He would like to purchase it now before someone else gets it.

Jim Lundrigan made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to approve the purchase of the new dump truck. Motion carried.

Solsville bridge will be shut down sometime in April to start working on the concrete decking and to finish up the project.

The Town will be taking over the Memorial Day parade from the Village of Madison. I will be working on getting the permits that we need. The parade will be May 25th.

Diane, our Town Historian, has been busy working on many projects trying to raise funds for the cemetery projects along with the Chenango Canal Association and Historical Society. She is always looking for volunteers to help with any of the many projects she has lining up.

Diane sent in an essay to the NY Association of Towns for their 150th American Project back in November; they have since extended the deadline to March 31st. She would like to purchase 2 books, one for the Town and the other for the Historical Society.

After doing some research on different Town Clerk programs and adjusting with all the new changes that I need as a town clerk. I would like to switch to Edmunds Gov Tech. They have a lot of great features to offer that I think will work great for me. Also I have to look into a new tax program as the one I have now will no longer be available, so I would like to go with Edmunds with that also keeping everything with one vendor. We have used Williamson Law for a long time but I feel it's time for a change. Jim Lundrigan made a motion to table the Town Clerk & Tax Collector programs until April.

I presented 3 resolutions tonight, one being for an immediate review of our electricity and charges as everyone's electric bill has gotten out of hand for unknown reasons to us. I think it is time we stand and take out ground on this matter. This resolution will be sent to all the State officials so they can look into this matter. Another resolution is for a speed study to be performed on Love Joy road. The traffic has picked up a lot on that road and the speed limit of 55 is way too high. I will sign a letter and send it on to the Madison County Highway Superintendent and he will send his recommendation onto the state with the board's approval.

We had one public presentation from a town citizen about a retired employee's health benefit coverage. Patty informed the individual that it was in the lawyer's hand and she couldn't talk about it. Patty said that she will have information at the April board meeting on this matter.

Resolution #6-26 Transfer of funds

#7-26 Urging immediate review of electricity and charges

#8-26 Lower the speed limit on Love Joy Rd

Jim Lundrigan made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to pay the General Bills in the amount of \$51,285.06 and the highway bills in the amount of \$169,459.78 with a grand total of \$220,744.84 Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: At 8:30 pm Jim Lundrigan made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

**Respectfully submitted,
Tina Livermore Town Clerk**