

January 12, 2026

Organizational and Regular Meeting

Supervisor Jeffery Crockett opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the pledge of Allegiance

Clerk called the roll and present were :

Supervisor J. Crockett

Council member Dorayne Peplinski

Council member Steve Hula

Council member Richard Jack

Council member Mike Wyant

Highway Supt. Darryl Aney

Town Clerk Anna Halkowich

Also present: Scott from Gates Cole (our insurance rep} , Glenn Armstrong, Planning Board member,

Guests: former council members and residents of the Town, Roger Vaughn and Leslie Miller. Also present was Jeff Hardwick from the Division of Cemeteries, Dept. of State

Motion by R. Jack and second by S. Hula to accept the Supervisor's report.

All -Aye

Motion by R. jack and second by S. Hula to accept the Town Clerk's report.

All- Aye

Scott from Gates Cole Agency told the board about our coverage and that the company now has a new name. It is now High Street Gates Cole. They have noy received the cyber net policy yet but expect it within a month. He also handed out calendars and pens from his company to the board.

Mr. Hardwick spoke to the board about what the Town must do when a cemetery is abandoned. The Crane Memorial Cemetery, Hogsback Road is in danger of being abandoned if trustees cannot be found. It is possible to search for these people, and the Board was asked if they thought they might be able to Fine some to fill this vacancy. Several people asked questions on this subject and Mr. Hardwick answered all questions.

Glenn Armstrong gave a summary of the goals of the Planning Board for 2026. He gave a copy of this to The Board members and asked for feedback from them at the next meeting.

Glenn also brought the matter of the Planning Board Chairmen must now be made a Resolution by the Board And not just a resolution.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Kristen Pronko is hereby named as Chairperson of the Planning Board for 2026.This Resolution was introduced with a motion by R. Jack and second by D. Peplinski

All- Aye

Jeffery Crockett was named as Delegate to the NYSAOT meeting in New York City February 14-17, 2026, at the Marriott Marquis and Mike Wyant as alternate. Motion by R. Jack and second by D. Peplinski

All- Aye

The following appointments for the year of 2026 were made on a motion by M. wyant and second by S. Hula

Budget Officer	Jeffrey Crockett
Summons Server	Herkimer County Sheriff's Dept.
Historian	Garry Aney
Health Officer	Rachael Munyan
Codes/Building	Phil Green
Dog Control Officer	Matthew Nelson
Attorney for the Town	Hyde Clarke
Deputy Supervisor	Dorayne Peplinski

All- Aye

CONSIDERATIONS FOR 2026

The Town will pay current Federal rate per mile for Town Officials on Town Business \$.72.5/per mile

NYS Disability will be paid for all full – time employees

Hwy Supt. Will be allowed to spend \$3,000.00 without prior approval

Gas, Diesel and Oil will be purchased at state prices when possible

Time and ½ will be paid to full time employees for over 40 hrs. per week

Pay scale for Highway employees per hour is set as follows:

HEO w/CDL	\$22.62
MEO	\$18.72
Part time w/CDL	\$22.62, no benefits
Sub or Temporary Plow Driver	\$22.62
Deputy	\$24.44

Regular Meeting of the Town Board will be the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

The Times telegram will be the official newspaper for the Town

NBT Bank will be the official depository for the Town

The Supervisor is empowered to invest monies of the Town for the good of the Town

Motion by R. Jack and second by M. Wyant to accept these considerations

All – Aye

This document to be included with the regular Meeting Minutes for 1/12/2026

Motion to pay General Accounts 1-5 was made by R. Jack and second by S. Hula

All- Aye

Motion to pay Highway Accounts 1-26 was made by M. Wyant and second by S. Hula

All- Aye

Motion to adjourn by R. Jack and second by S. Hula

All- Aye

