

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF CORTLAND
TOWN OF HARFORD

January 12, 2026

The Town Board of the Town of Harford met for a regular monthly meeting at the Harford Town Hall on January 12, 2025 at 7:30 pm. Present at the meeting were: Michell Morse: Town supervisor: Daryl Cross: Dawn Potter; John Burns; Richard Tillotson: Councilmen, Scott Stairs: Highway Superintendent, Jennifer Fox; Town Clerk, Sandy Price; County Legislator and other town residents.

The minutes of the December 1, 2025 Regular Meeting were reviewed for information and corrections.

RES #1: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the minutes as reviewed and corrected.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #1. Richard Tillotson seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye

Dawn Potter – Aye

John Burns – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Daryl Cross – Aye

Bills listed on General Abstract #1, Highway Abstract #1, and Harford Mills Water District Abstract #1, were presented by the Clerk and submitted to the Board for review.

RES #2: BE IT RESOLVED that the bills be approved as submitted and for the Supervisor to make the necessary payments.

Daryl Cross made a motion to adopt Resolution #2. Richard Tillotson seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye

John Burns – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Daryl Cross – Aye

Dawn Potter – Aye

Sandy Price: County Legislator; gave her report, a copy is on file at the clerk's office

The Board asked

1. Why doesn't the county provide an Assessor for the Towns?
Sandy will look into it.

2. Why did Dylan Barber get a grant for a new manure spreader?

It was advertised in the paper and on the County website and he was the only one who applied.

Sandy will supply a write- up explanation in regards to the County budget increases.

Michelle Morse gave the Supervisors monthly report.

RES #3: BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approves the Supervisors monthly report as read.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #3. Richard Tillotson seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye

John Burns – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Daryl Cross – Aye

Dawn Potter – Aye

Town Supervisor reported on the following correspondence.

A check from the Town Clerk for \$86.00 for December fees.

A check from the County for fuel \$125.16.

A check from the County for Snow and Ice \$8,880.14.

A check from the County for 3rd quarter sales tax \$82,611.88.

A check from the County for Mortgage tax \$ 10,898.42.

Scott Stairs, was not able to attend the meeting. A copy of the report is on file at the Clerk's office.

Scott, please plan to report on the insurance check for the tractor and ask the owners of the small tan car on Michigan Hill to move the car in 30 days or it will be towed.

Visitor comments:

David Soner spoke with the Board in regards to Greg Johnson leaving his position at the Cornell barns. David would like a thank you note sent to Greg for being a good partner.

His replacement has been asked to attend the march town board meeting.

David Lewis is unhappy with the work that the Harford Highway Department did to his land 2.5 years ago. He has tried to reach out to the Highway Superintendent but his calls have not been returned. He has been very patient, but no more, he wants it fixed or he will sue the Town.

New Business:

The Town Board held a negotiation workshop on 1/12/26 at 4:30 pm with Union Local 317 and the Highway Department.

The Town Clerk will have the Town Historian present a report at the next meeting.

Old Business:

Caitlyn Brown, Town Assessor, did not join the meeting as requested by the Town Board.

Every January the Town Board reviews the Town Clerk's books.

RES #4: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the 2025 books as presented by the Town Clerk.

Dawn Potter made a motion to adopt Resolution #4. John Burns seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye
George Ingalls – Aye
John Burns – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Daryl Cross – Aye

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
PERTAINING TO CERTAIN TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS

RES #5: BE IT RESOLVED to approve a resolution approving a settlement agreement pertaining to certain tax certiorari proceedings.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #5. Daryl Cross seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye
Dawn Potter – Aye
John Burns – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Daryl Cross – Aye

The Town Board reviewed the 2026 appointments.

RES #6: BE IT RESOLVED to approves the 2026 appointments as corrected.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #6. Dawn Potter seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye
Dawn Potter – Aye
John Burns – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Daryl Cross – Aye

RES #7: BE IT RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Richard Tillotson made a motion to adopt Resolution #7. John Burns seconded the motion.

Michelle Morse – Aye
Dawn Potter – Aye
John Burns – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Daryl Cross – Aye

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Fox, Harford Town Clerk

TOWN OF HARFORD
RESOLUTION 5-2026

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
PERTAINING TO CERTAIN TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS**

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Harford held on the 12th day of January 2026, the following resolution was offered and seconded:

WHEREAS, Via Lactea Sanctuary, PMA, the Petitioner in a proceeding identified as Cortland County Supreme Court Index No. EF24-450, which contends that certain real property it owns within the Town is entitled to tax-exempt status, and the Town of Harford, a Respondent in said proceeding, are desirous of resolving said proceeding without resort to further judicial intervention; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Settlement Agreement resolving the pending litigation was recommended by the Attorney for the Town and reviewed by the Town Board at a regular meeting held on January 12, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Settlement Agreement presents the parties with an expeditious and economic alternative to further litigation so as to resolve disputed issues between the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that entering into the proposed Settlement Agreement is in the best interests of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the proposed Settlement Agreement, a true copy of which is attached to this resolution, for the purpose of resolving the proceedings filed by the Petitioner and identified as Cortland County Supreme Court Index No. EF24-450; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Attorney for the Town is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Town Respondents, and the Town Supervisor is authorized to do and/or cause to be done any action(s) necessary to comply with the terms of said Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION


I, Jennifer Fox, do hereby certify that I am the Town Clerk of the Town of Harford and that the foregoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Harford at a meeting thereof held at the Town Hall on this 12th day of January, 2026. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Michelle Morse, Supervisor	voted: Aye
John Burns	voted: Aye
Daryl Cross	voted: Aye
Dawn Potter	voted: Aye
Richard Tillotson	voted: Aye

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted by a vote of 5/5

Town of Harford Seal

Dated: January 12, 2026


Jennifer Fox
Town Clerk of the Town of Harford

Town of Harford Highway Dept. Monthly Report
December 1st, --- December 31st, 2025

Finished installing winter equipment on trucks. Tires,
wings, lights.....

Plow and sand

Helped Town of Virgil plow and sand



Shop work