

TOWN OF DEPOSIT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Town of Deposit held their regular Town Board Meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 5:00pm. Councilmembers present- Robert Mills, Daniel Axtell, Eric Linkroum, and Lonny Schaefer. Town Supervisor-Rebecca Walley, Highway Superintendent- Ryan Tiffany, Code Enforcement Officer-Peter Hathaway, and Town Clerk- Elizabeth Polomcean. Absent- Deputy Town Clerk Beverly Hartz

1.1 Public Participation- none

2.0- Minutes and Reports

2.1 The Town Board Meeting minutes of June 9, 2026, were reviewed.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to approve the TB Meeting minutes from June 9. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.2 The Payment of Bills was reviewed. Councilmember Mills asked about eh Election Inspectors. Supervisor Walley stated that some worked a full day, some a half day, and then there was training and mileage to the training. The bills that were paid in General Fund #185-222. Highway Fund- Item #1-30-40, Item #3-56-60, Item #4-26.

Councilmember Mills made a motion to accept the payment of bills. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.3 The Financial Report- Budget, Fund Balance, Capital Project Budget, and Summary of Obligations

Councilmember Mills made the motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilmember Schaefer Seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.4 The Highway Department –Highway Superintendent Tiffany stated that stone was delivered to the car wash stock piles for use as grader patch, and anti-skid stone was hauled in and added to highway garage stockpiles. Previously replaced culverts that had dips in road surface were shimmed with hot mix asphalt. Shoulder mowing began town wide with the boom mower. Several cross culverts in both Rood Creek Road and Silver Lake Road were replaced as well as one on Silver Lake Spur. New catch basins were installed at the Roods Creek Road/Silver Lake Road intersection to improve drainage conditions during heavy rainfall. The remaining high shoulders of Silver Lake Road were cut down with the grader in preparation before road surface work begins. The crews performed some truck maintenance on truck #7 and shop housekeeping on the few rainy days during the month.

Superintendent Tiffany attended the Cornell Local Roads annual highway School hosted at Ithaca College along with Highway Superintendent Leo Shew from Town of Sanford.

The new truck was delivered the day of the meeting and Superintendent Tiffany drove it to the meeting for the Board to look over.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to accept the Highway report. Councilmember Mills seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.5 Code Enforcement Officer Report- CEO Hathaway stated there was no old business, no building permits issued, and no certificates of occupancy. He stated that he did one inspection for a house framing on Hungry Hollow Road. CEO Hathaway stated that he did 2

code searches. There was a fire at Lignetics pellet factory and they are working on fixing it. He stated that he did receive a call from Delaware County Sheriff about a property dispute at Silver Lake and he informed the Sheriff that it's a legal issue.

Councilmember Axtell made a motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report. Councilmember Schaefer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.7 Planning Board Meeting Report- Supervisor Walley stated there was a lot of confusion during last month's meeting. She stated that the Planning Board was going to start working on the Highway Department Policy and Standards for Access and Utility Work but there were some questions. Supervisor Walley stated that this month's meeting was cancelled because no one had called to come and Superintendent Tiffany was out of town. Before the Planning Board works more on the Highway items, they would like to have him at the meeting.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to accept the Planning Board report. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.8 The Dog Control Officer Report- There were 3 calls this past month. All three were for dogs at large, two the dogs were already gone, one the dog was already caught by the owner.

Councilmember Schaefer made a motion to accept the Dog Control Officer Report. Councilmember Mills seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2.9 Town Clerk Report was reviewed. Town Clerk Polomcean stated that it was a slow month. There were 2 marriage transcripts but that was from someone who turned in their marriage license and decided while they were at the office to get 2 extra copies.

Councilmember Mills made a motion to accept the Town Clerk report. Councilmember Schaefer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3.0- Old Business

3.1 Wester Star Truck and addendum to Resolution #15- Supervisor Walley stated that this is an addendum to Resolution #15 because the original resolution did not have the finance company name on it.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to pass the addendum to Resolution #15. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Resolution carried unanimously.

3.2-Auditor requests- Supervisor Walley stated that she has had no luck finding an outside company to audit the books. She stated that if she cannot find a company by next month, she suggests that the board audit this current year by each quarter at a time. Councilmember Schaefer suggested talking to Farm Credit to see if they would do it or know someone who might.

It was decided to table the audit till next month to give Supervisor Walley time to try some other companies.

3.3- Village Parking tickets- Supervisor Walley stated that as of right now she has only had to write the Village 3 checks for the parking tickets and as of right now there are no more being written until after November 1st.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to table the discussion for now. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3.4- Judges Robes (specifically Retired Judge Felber)- Supervisor Walley stated that the Judge's robes are sized to each judge. She stated that Court Clerk Valentine looked up the prices for a new robe and it is between \$150 and \$300 depending on the type. Supervisor Walley stated that retired Judge Felber has asked if he could take his judge robes as he is continuing to officiated marriages.

Councilmember Axtell made a motion to pass Resolution #18. Councilmember Linkroum seconded. Resolution passed unanimously.

3.5 Social Media Policy-

Councilmember Schaefer made a motion to table the Social Media Policy until next month. Councilmember Linkroum seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3.6 Cybersecurity Grant: Resolution #22 to approve contract- Supervisor Walley stated that the Town received a Cybersecurity grant for Multifactorial Authentication tokens for the Town Supervisor, Clerk, and Highway Superintendent.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to approve Resolution #22. Councilmember Axtel seconded. Resolution passed unanimously.

4.0- New Business-

4.1- Resolution #19 Local DMV Testing- Supervisor Walley stated she was sent a resolution from the Village about NYS removing the road testing in Deposit. The Village of Deposit asked if the Town of Deposit and Town of Sanford would pass a Resolution as well.

Councilmember Linkroum made a motion to pass Resolution #19. Councilmember Schaefer seconded. Resolution passed unanimously.

4.2 – Resolution #20 Home Rule (NY Association of Towns Bill of rights)- Supervisor Walley stated that the Bill of Rights goes along with the Home Rule Resolution that was passed earlier this year.

Councilmember Axtell made a motion to pass Resolution #20. Councilmember Linkroum seconded. Resolution carried unanimously.

4.3 – NYAOT legislative meeting (Sept 22-23 NEW)- Supervisor Walley stated that there is an overnight meeting of the New York Association of Towns in Albany. She stated that if a Councilmember would like to attend, she can forward them the information. She also stated that if there is a Councilmember that would like to go the Board can pass a resolution to make them a representative of the Town of Deposit and have voting privileges.

Executive Session concerning Employee Incident and Union Negotiations- Councilmember Schaefer made a motion to go into executive session at 6:01pm. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilmember Schaefer made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:37pm. Councilmember Linkroum seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4.4-Accept with regrets resignation of Dawn Faulkner as Deputy Town Clerk (Resolution #21)- Councilmember Schaefer made a motion to pass Resolution #21. Councilmember Axtell seconded. Resolution carried unanimously.

2027 Budgetary Process starting (gathering requests departments)- Supervisor Walley stated that it is almost time to start working on next year's budget.

NYMIR Building Appraisals July 27 at 1pm- Supervisor Walley stated that a NYMIR representative will be going to the offices at 3 Elm street and the Highway Garage for a building inspection that is supposed to be done every 3 years.

Reminder Clean Up Day Saturday August 15 (9am to Noon) Highway Garage

Website ADA compliance Chenango Web Design evaluating changes needed- Supervisor Walley stated that Town Clerk Polomcean has been in contact with Chenango Web Design about needing the website ADA compliant and they are working on an evaluation of our website.

Councilmember Axtel made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40pm.

Councilmember Mills seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting will be Tuesday August 11, 2026 at 5:00pm.

Elizabeth Polomcean
Town Clerk

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