

Town Board Minutes
September 9, 2025

The monthly town board meeting held on September 9, 2025, at 56 Geneva St. Dresden New York was called to order by Supervisor Peter Martini at 7:30PM.

Present: Supervisor Pete Martini, Council; Colby Petersen, Grant Downs, Bruce Henderson, Kathleen McGrath

Others present: George Thompson, John Ghidiu, George Dowse, Gary McIntee, Richard Willson District II Legislator, Robert Miller

Supervisor Martini led the pledge of allegiance.

August Minutes Ms. McGrath made a motion to approve 2nd Mr. Henderson, Carried.

Abstract of vouchers - Supervisor Martini presented the abstracts for review.

Motion by Mr. Henderson 2nd Ms. McGrath that the bills on the General A & B Accounts in the amount of \$6,112.04 be paid, carried by all.

Motion by Ms. McGrath 2ND Mr. Henderson that the bills on the Highway DA & DB Accounts in the amount \$ 18,845.06 be paid, carried by all.

Motion by Ms. McGrath 2nd Mr. Petersen, that the bill on the Water District 1 Account in the amount of \$ 534.15 be paid, carried.

Mr. Downs inquired as to who does final approval of payment on the bills from the Perry Point Culvert projects. Mr. Chambers stated that he submits the invoices and cancelled checks as proof of payment to the NYS DOT the final approval for payment to State.

He inquired if there will be an onsite engineer during construction. Mr. Chambers stated he is setting up a meeting on the slip line where these questions can be asked, possibly Thursday.

Supervisor introduced a Contract from Yates County for 2026 Pictometry. Motion by Mr. Petersen, 2nd Ms. McGrath authorizing the Supervisor to sign the 2026 Pictometry contract with Yates County, carried.

Supervisor introduced the following reappointments of town officials

Mary Joan LeClaire, Mark Gifford, and George Dowse.

Motion by Mr. Downs 2nd Ms. McGrath to approve reappointments of

Mary Joan LeClaire-Board of Assessment Review term to 2030

Mark Gifford- Zoning Board of Appeal term to 2030

George Dowse- Planning Board term to 2030 carried.

Highway Report Binghamton Boat Club gave permission for an access road to the culvert on Perry Point through their property. Heavy debris was cleared from the culvert and removed by the highway department.

Question on 4 wheelers or snow mobiles using this access road, the road goes nowhere, highway will put up cones as caution blocking the access road.

Last year Admar Equipment did road damage on Serenity Road. They gave the town 1-month free equipment as repayment for the damage. The town has use of an excavator for free for a month and is presently using it along Hopeton roadsides cleaning up trouble areas to prevent future flooding issues.

Code Report The short-term rental permits are almost at limit for the year. Received word that 2 more tree houses have been opened on Downey Road, these do not have final approvals by the Department of Health or Code Office. He will contact the owner. Construction is quiet.

Assessor Report submitted

Water District 1 report submitted

Dresden Fire Dept report submitted. Supervisor acknowledges the board's appreciation for report of Jeremey Henries-Dresden Fire Chief

Richard Willson appeared to update on the Yates County legislature.

In the 2026 Budget process. Ad hoc committee for Public Safety Building Project in need to contract with a project manager. Broadband finally has 26 customers signed up.

Discussion on shared sales tax, the county needs to refigure the formula for sharing, to increase the town and villages share.

Public transit, Mr. Willson was asked how many people use the system.

Unknown figure. Yates County is researching cost of contracting with Rochester Transit to replace Mozaic.

Gary McIntee asked if watershed Law is on website. He would like realtors to list that the town has a short-term rental law and availability of these short-term permits.

Mr. Downs informed the board that the newsletter is out, and he will be doing one more before his term is up in December.

Motion by Ms. McGrath 2nd Mr. Downs to adjourn carried at 8:55PM

Respectfully submitted,

Betty M Daggett