

**TOWN OF WINDHAM
TOWN BOARD MEETING
371 State Route 296, Hensonville, NY
Website: www.townofwindhamny.com**

NOVEMBER 25, 2025

Present: Supervisor: Thomas F. Hoyt
Councilmen: Wayne Van Valin, Ian Peters, Stephen Walker & Kurt Goettsche
Town Clerk: Bonnie Poehmel

Also Present: Newly-Elected Highway Superintendent Robert “BJ” Murray, Maryann Brigham, Brian Dougherty & Mike Ryan Mountain Eagle

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2025, TOWN BOARD MEETING were approved as typed on a motion by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor.

Our last town board meeting for the year falls on Thursday, December 25, 2025 Christmas. This town board meeting will be rescheduled to Tuesday, December 30 @ 7:00 pm. A motion to approve the date change was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor.

Our first organizational meeting to set all employees back into their job positions for the New Year 2026; has been scheduled for Friday, January 2, 2026 @ 6:30 pm. A motion to approve the date was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor.

1.LETTER OF RESIGNATION was received from Wendy McInerny member of the Board of Trustees for the Windham Public Library. Wendy has served as a trustee member for the past 12 years. A motion to accept her resignation was made by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with all in favor.

2.TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #162 OF 2025: B.A.R. Temporary Substitute member: WHEREAS, appoint Eric Goettsche, as a Temporary Substitute member of the Town of Windham Board of Assessment Review for a period of 5-years, November 25, 2025 through September 30, 2030. Mr. Goettsche will be able to participate, hear testimony and make recommendations to the actual B.A.R., he will only be allowed to cast a ballot if one of the other three members are absent. This is a 5-year renewable Temporary Substitute assignment. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, for a period of 5-years, November 25, 2025 through September 30, 2030, Eric Goettsche will be a temporary substitute member of the Town of Windham Board of Assessment Review. This is a 5-year renewable Temporary Substitute assignment. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with 3 in favor; Councilmen Goettsche & Peters abstain as they are related to Eric Goettsche.

3.WILLIAMSON LAW BOOK COMPANY: Town Clerk Plus Dogs Support Contract for December 01, 2025-November 30, 2026; the software cost will be \$500.00. This software is for the dog licensing law. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor.

4.TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #153 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to close the maturing CD regarding the sum of \$152,966.02 principle plus the interest earned of Water District Fund Money at the National Bank of Coxsackie, Coxsackie, NY. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Walker, with all in favor.

TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #154 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to close the maturing CD regarding the sum of \$61,186.41 principle plus the interest earned of Library Fund Money at the National Bank of Coxsackie, Coxsackie, NY. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #155 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to close the maturing CD

regarding the sum of \$50,677.18 principle plus the interest earned of General Fund Money at the Bank of Greene County, Catskill, NY. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #156 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to close the maturing CD regarding the sum of \$50,356.88 principle plus the interest earned of General Fund Money at the Key Bank Windham, NY and deposit the funds back into the General Fund bank account at the Key Bank, Windham, NY. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Van Valin, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #157 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to reimburse the Town of Windham Water District Fund account the sum of \$150,000.00 from loan borrowed on September 11, 2025, Town Board Resolution #115 of 2025. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #158 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to use \$28,428.71 from Unanticipated Revenue in the Income Account 2401120 CD Interest in order to balance the accounts in the General Fund as per Town Board Resolution #24 of 2025. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #159 OF 2025: the following resolution was proposed to transfer funds to balance the Streetlighting Fund accounts. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #160 OF 2025: to authorize the Supervisor to use \$1,245.71 from Unanticipated Revenue in the Income Account 2401120 CD Interest in order to balance the accounts in the Streetlighting Fund as per Town Board Resolution #159 of 2025. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor. TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION #161 OF 2025: the following resolution was proposed to transfer funds to balance the Sewer District accounts. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor. AMBULANCE DISTRICT FUND RESOLUTION #18 OF 2025: the following resolution was proposed to transfer funds to balance the Ambulance Fund accounts. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Peters, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor. GENERAL FUND RESOLUTION #24 OF 2025: the following resolution was proposed to transfer funds to balance the General Fund accounts. A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Councilman Van Valin, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with all in favor.

5.GREENE COUNTY RESOLUTION #355-25: Authorizing Distribution of Mortgage Tax: Windham \$107,953.90; GREENE COUNTY RESOLUTION #369-25: Changing, Altering or Revising Tentative Budget Following Public Hearing-Emergency Medical Services (see attached).

6.AMBULANCE REPORT: The following report was submitted to the Board for their review: *“Calls for the Month of October 2025: Calls in Windham: Advanced Life Support (ALS)-10, Basic Life Support (BLS)-6, Call Cancelled (C/C)-4; Refused Medical Assistance (RMA)-4, Public Assist (P/A)-4; Calls in Jewett: ALS-4, C/C-2, RMA-2; Calls in Ashland: ALS-1 (Prattsville), BLS-1 (Lexington), C/C-Ashland; Calls in Cairo: C/C-1. County Coverage Request Amb S/B-1; Stand by for GCEMS-2. Total calls: 45 Calls turned over to Mutual Aid: Ashland-2. Vehicle Mileage Log for October 2025: 96-1: 114,816 and 96-2: 26,661.”* Starting the first of the new year January 1, 2026 Kim Langdon will be hired a full-time EMT ambulance staff.

7.HIGHWAY REPORT: Newly-Elected Highway Superintendent Robert “BJ” Murray will be attending the town board meetings starting in January 2026.

8.POLICE REPORT: Officer Fitzmaurice is training as an investigator if something comes about in the town.

9.COMMITTEE REPORT: **Councilman Walker** gave his report. He was not able to attend the last CWT meeting. The next SWAC meeting will be in the spring of 2026. Councilman Walker just recapped the discussion from the last CWT/SWAC meetings he had attended. As there are many open discussions still open. **Councilman Van Valin** has nothing to report on at this time. **Councilman Goettsche** has nothing to report on at this time. **Councilman Peters** is moving forward with Joe from ITS. **Supervisor Hoyt** noted the Windham Fire District Commissioners have completed their budget for 2026. Their budget has doubled since last year. They are in compliance and have completed everything that the State asks them to do. They have had their

public hearing and their written resolution. The Fire Commissioners are elected people by the Town of Windham taxpayers/voters; anyone interested in seeing or discussing their budget for 2026 should get in touch with the Windham Fire Commissioners directly. Supervisor Hoyt thanked Mike Ryan for writing a nice news article in the Mountain Eagle on the proposed new little league field.

ACCOUNT BALANCES AND BUDGET COMPARISONS November 9, 2017 files were made available for the Board to review.

GENERAL FUND WARRANT #22-G contained vouchers #721-744, totaling \$231,356.37 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor.

HIGHWAY FUND WARRANT #22 contained vouchers #215-222, totaling \$4,517.27 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor.

SEWER DISTRICT FUND WARRANT #22 contained vouchers #300-308, totaling \$11,577.60 was audited and approved on a motion by Councilman Van Valin, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor.

AMBULANCE FUND WARRANT #22 contained vouchers #236-238, totaling \$424.97 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Van Valin, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor.

GENERAL FUND PAYROLL WARRANT #22-P for **General** contained 10 claims, totaling \$11,697.05 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor. **Ambulance** payroll contained 15 claims, totaling \$20,707.57 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor.

HIGHWAY PAYROLL WARRANT #22-P contained 6 claims, totaling \$12,184.02 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Van Valin, 2nd by Councilman Goettsche, with all in favor.

SEWER DISTRICT FUND PAYROLL WARRANT #22-P contained 1 claim, totaling \$74.76 was audited and approved for payment on a motion by Councilman Goettsche, 2nd by Councilman Van Valin, with all in favor.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: no comments were made.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on a motion by Councilman Walker, 2nd by Councilman Peters, with all in favor.

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