

**TOWN OF SARANAC  
BOARD MEETING  
October 13, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the presiding officer at the  
Town of Saranac Town Hall

| <u>MEMBERS</u>                | <u>PRESENT</u> | <u>ABSENT</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Timothy R. Napper, Supervisor | X              |               |
| Michele Petrashune, Councilor | X              |               |
| Tracy Eggleston, Councilor    | X              |               |
| James Terry, Councilor        |                | X             |
| Conner Perry, Councilor       | X              |               |

Also in attendance: Mark White, Ray LeDuc, Steven McKenzie, Perry Lawton, Louis Plante, James Bassett and Lisa Racette.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **This meeting is being recorded.**
3. **General Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor**
4. **Correspondence**
  - A.
  - B.
  - C.

**5. Supervisor's Report**

A. Plowing- County Roads – The negotiations continue with the county over plowing their roads. The Supervisors group was successful in obtaining an increase of 15% on normal snow roads and 20% on high snow roads. The group would like to see a 1-year contract whereas the county is pushing for a 3-year contract with 3% increases in the final 2 years. A compromise of a 2-year agreement with a 4% increase in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year has been proposed. The proposal is not final but initial indicators are that our increase for this year will be over \$30,000 whereas in the past the County would have proposed an increase of possibly \$5,000.

B. County Assessing Assistance – As Glen Cutter assumes the Assessor responsibilities it is becoming evident that there is a great need to upgrade our situation. Mr. Cutter supplied the board with his justification for Assessing Assistance. Omitted taxes are one example of an item that will help pay for the contract as the total last year was around \$4,500 that was not collected back. Clinton county has indicated a willingness to re-enter the agreement to assist at a yearly cost of \$6.00 per parcel.

**Resolution #121-2025 - Motion was made authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract with Clinton County for their assessment assistance thru the end of 2026. Motion by Tim, second by Michele\_ – all in favor.**

C. Remodeling, Furniture, Furnishings - Discussion ensued on the remodeling that still has to be done at the Townhall. Freight charges for delivery seem to be an issue with many of the items. Further study and other options need to occur. Some concern was raised as to how much work would be available for the grounds crew over the winter.

D. Disc Golf – We are awaiting further information as to what the layout would look like, along with the cost and maintenance issue.

E. Court Security – Judge Lawton briefed the board on security issues. There have been instances in Town Courts where additional security would have alleviated circumstances that endangered safety. We have had a previous contract with the Sheriff's Department on an as needed basis but there is now insufficient staff to accommodate these needs. A local firm has offered to make a proposal to furnish as needed security which would involve a 4-hour minimum when used. Judge Lawton expects to have a formal proposal in the near future.

F. Budget Hearing 10/27 @ 5:45pm – The Supervisor indicated he would revise the budget to show the effects of the assessment contract. He also expects to review the numbers for the lighting districts as those costs continue to escalate.

G. Bowen Rd Park – The electrical source at the park has been upgraded with new wire. ACE Electric was able to do the job for considerably less than the other estimate. As the breaker box in the 184 building is considered a fire hazard it is expected that it will be replaced soon.

H. Other

I.

J.

K.

L.

## 6. Highway

A. Paving – Paving has been completed at a cost of \$530,000 for the asphalt and trucking. It is expected paving will cost at least another \$100,000.

B. Equipment – Indication was should the Highway desire to pursue a new pickup it be done through the mini bid process or the Onondaga County Contract.

C. Personnel – We continue to seek additional highway workers. Some training is scheduled.

D.

## 7. Reports

A. Town Clerk – **Resolution #122-2025 – Motion to accept the Town Clerks report for the month of September 2025. Motion by Michele, second by Tracy. – All in favor.**

B. Water districts – Michele has not heard anything from Pat.

a. Redford-

b. Standish –

c. Saranac –

C. Town Crier –.

D. Tax Collector –

E. Assessor –

F. Code Officer – Ray indicated a new code book would be coming out effective 12/31/2025. He would like to see the town site updated.

G. Dog Control Officer – Lou indicated the situation on Mountain View Drive had not improved and the Sheriff's Dept. is considering pursuing animal cruelty.

- H. Community Outreach program –
- I. Building –
- J. Historian –
- K. Recreation -
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
- L. Capital projects –

**8. Resolution #123-2025 -Authorization to Pay Audited Warrant dated October 13, 2025. Motion by Michele, second by Tracy – all in favor.**

**9. Resolution #124 -2025 - Accept the minutes of the previous meeting dated September 22, 2025. Motion by Tracy, second by Conner – all in favor.**

**10. Resolution -2025**

**11. Executive Session:**

**12. Other**

**13. Unfinished Business**

**14. New Business**

**15. Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor** – Councilor Eggleston indicated that he still had reservations as to what has been done at the McCutcheon Lane & Pickett's Corners intersection. It is expected he will meet with the Highway Supt. to discuss the situation.

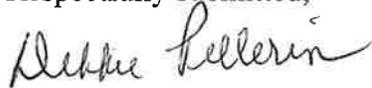
**16. Adjournment @ 7:20 PM – Motion by Tracy, second by Conner – all in favor.**

**Budget Hearing October 27, 2025 at 5:45 PM at Town Hall**

**Board Meeting October 27, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall**

**Board Meeting November 17, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall**

Respectfully submitted,



Debbie Pellerin

Town Clerk