

**TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF AUGUSTA
December 18 , 2024**

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Augusta, County of Oneida and the State of New York was held at Town Hall, 2470 North Road, Oriskany Falls, NY on Wednesday, the 18th day of December 2024.

PRESENT: Suzanne Collins Supervisor
 James Dowd Councilman
 Charles Peck Councilman
 Mark Russell Councilman (arrived 5:45)
 Travis Wright Councilman (left at 6:15)
 Sonya Furness Clerk

PUBLIC PRESENT: Abigail Dapson, Brian Dapson, Damian Lonergan and Jeremy Trost.

PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS:
None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 67– 2024

On a motion of Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilman Russell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright
 Nays 0

Resolved that the Town Board Minutes of November 20, 2024 be adopted with correction of Supervisors comment on County Snowplowing contract.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLUTION 68– 2024

On a motion of Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilman Russell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright
 Nays 0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #12 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 102 – 111	\$ 1,183.24
General Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 34 - 35	120.90
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 56 -59	3,680.49
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 72 - 78	13,847.58

**REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:
SUPERVISOR:**

Assets	Total
Truck MMM 3249	\$ 94,517.95
Full Town Highway Checking 2126	16,380.74
Full Town Highway Savings 9241	104,920.22
Full Town General Savings 9058	59,557.15
Full Town General Checking 1780	21,508.24
Part Town General Checking 2134	1,387.71
Part Town General Savings 9228	21,091.30
Part Town Highway Checking 2460	49,384.83
Part Town Highway Savings 9137	245,858.07
Trust and Agency 2867	0.00
Indian Land Claim Savings 0115	86,254.33
Building Fund CD 9015	56,225.32
Reval MMM 3281	134,280.74
GARP 9736	28,942.40
Mower MMM 3362	358.96
Loader 3346	66,054.99
Town Hall 6289	120,319.80
NYSLRS 3453	97,558.58
Special Districts	8,552.65
CDBG Funds	14,684.68
Total Current Assets	\$1,227,838.66
Total Assets	\$1,227,838.66
Total Liabilities	0.00
Equity	0.00
Net Income	\$ (111,049.48)
Unresolved Equity	\$ 1,338,888.14
Total equity	\$1,227,838.66
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$1,227,838.66

RESOLUTION 69- 2024

On a motion of Councilman Peck seconded by Councilman Dowd, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that the Supervisors SORES reports be accepted as submitted

JUDICIAL: No Concerns

CODES: November and December Reports Submitted

ASSESSOR: No Report Submitted

DCO: Report Submitted

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

Absent - No Concerns

TOWN CLERK:

Town Board signed a monthly reconciliation sheet for the Town Clerk Checking Account, verifying that the November 2024 bank statement and checkbook were in order.

Gave an update on the Red Cross Blood Mobile to be held in the Community Room on January 22, 2025.

Asked Permission to start planning a Town of Augusta Health and Safety Day in 2025.

RESOLUTION 70- 2024

On a motion of Supervisor Collins seconded by Councilman Russell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that planning may start with a date to be determined in 2025.

SUPERVISOR:

Code of Ethics

RESOLUTION 71- 2024

On a motion of Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Dowd, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright
Nays

Resolved that submitted Code of Ethics Policy be adopted as written.

Reorganizational Meeting will be held January 2, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

Supervisor Collins gave an update on the remaining money that is left in the GARP account. This money needs to be obligated by 12/31/24 and spent by 12/31/25. Funds will be used for replacing lost revenue.

Discussion was held in regards of Reval. Questions were asked and Board members explained the theory behind to the public in attendance.

Councilman Wright described some differences between the 2 companies being considered to do the Reval.

ENPM – has our data listed as 2017 and they utilize a different software and data base than Oneida County.

Board members would like additional information regarding year maintenance cost, telephone helpline and the surveys and mailers. Councilman Wright has attempted to get answers from the company.

GAR – has our data listed as 2001, uses global pictures, supplies a telephone help line for questions from the residents and they do the surveys and mailers.

Poll was taken to see which company is being considered.

Collins – Hasn't decided, Wright – GAR, Russell – Hasn't decided, Peck – GAR and Dowd – GAR.

Payoff of Mower and Tractor

RESOLUTION 72– 2024

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Russell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell
Nays

Resolved that the mower and tractor be paid off with the final price to be determined, no more than \$106,437.00.

CD changes

RESOLUTION 73– 2024

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell
Nays

Resolved that \$74,000 be added to Truck MMM and truck is to be paid off at not more than \$170,000. Dependent on penalty amounts.

Attached is computations provided by Supervisor Collins.

Budget Adjustment

RESOLUTION 74– 2024

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Russell, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell
Nays

Resolved that \$1,000.00 be moved from Contingent to A 1315.4 for the Bookkeepers 2025 Software Update.

BOARD:

Councilman Dowd had questions regarding the Speed Limit Study on Knoxboro Rd and Solsville Augusta Road.

Councilman Russell has done some repairs to the Basketball Court at the Knoxboro Fire Station but needs a lot of additional work.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 6:31 PM, seconded by Councilman Dowd to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Medical, Financial, Credit or Employment history of a particular person or persons leading to appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal.

At 6:40 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.

The Codes Liaison will follow up with Codes on the unresolved issues again.

The Supervisor will contact the Planning/Zoning Board and advise them about the coming year. The wages for the P/ZBA will remain the same at \$100.00 per meeting for members and \$125.00 for the chair. When the Board works on the budget for 2026, the wage issue will again be discussed and revisited.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Peck seconded by Councilman Russell the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted,
Sonya Furness