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The Public Hearing to hear public comments on the Approval of a Cable Television Agreement between Spectrum Northeast and the Town of Augusta was held on Wednesday, the 19th day of August 2026, 2470 North Road, Oriskany Falls, NY at 5:45 PM.

Present were the following Supervisor, Suzanne Collins, Councilmen: Charles Peck, Jona Snyder, Mark Russell and Travis Wright

Public Present: Gene Whipple, Maridee Dukett, Ernest Staelens and Steve Gorman.

Public Hearing Notice was read.
Maridee Dukett asked if signing the Franchise Agreement limit access from other companies to the residents.
Ernest Staelens spoke of his concerns with the wires being run both underground and on poles.
Supervisor Collins explained that the Franchise is nothing new and has been signed every 5 years for a long period of time just like several other franchises.
Public Hearing was closed at 6:05PM

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 19th day of August 2026.

PRESENT:	Suzanne Collins	Supervisor
	Charles Peck	Councilman
	Mark Russell	Councilman
	Jona Snyder	Councilman
	Travis Wright	Councilman
	Sonya Furness	Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Phil Eaton, Steve Roys
PUBLIC PRESENT: Gene Whipple, Maridee Dukett, Ernest Staelens and Steve Gorman.
Supervisor Collins called the meeting to order at 6:05PM.

MINUTES:
The submitted Town Board Minutes of July 15,2026 were ACCEPTED with no changes.
On a motion of Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED	Ayes 5	Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
	Nays 0	
	Absent	
	Motion Carried 5:0	

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PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS:
Gene Whipple introduced himself as Codes Officer from the Town of Sangerfield and handed out resume to the Board members.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:
RESOLUTION 38-2026
On a motion of Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #8 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 62– 86	$ 5,836.54
General Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 20 -29	1,617.49
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 31 – 35	1,251.93
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 32 -38	12,251.03

Questions were asked by the Town Board on the following:

1. Hampton Inn Voucher
2. Unifirst Bills - quantity of bills each months abstract?
3. BAR Board – How was their pay calculated ?
4. Fair Brother Paving

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:
SUPERVISOR:
Supervisor Collins submitted the monthly report of the Towns finances for the month of July 2026.

Assets	Total
Special Districts 1537	$ 14,359.52
Truck MMM 3249	106,940.01
Full Town Highway Checking 2126	22,705.93
Full Town Highway Savings 9241	245,818.34
Full Town General Savings 9058	111,196.39
Full Town General Checking 1780	19,799.60
Part Town General Checking 2134	23,249.32
Part Town General Savings 9228	52,958.36
Part Town Highway Checking 2460	18,688.52
Part Town Highway Savings 9137	300,742.42
Trust and Agency 2867	0.00
Indian Land Claim Savings 0115	98,994.85
Building Fund CD 9015	7,832.74
Reval MMM 3281	21,646.92

Loader 3346	35,727.70
Town Hall 6289	129,523.84
NYSLRS 3453	16,660.33
CDBG	33.37
Total Assets	$1,226,878.16
Net Income	98,795.94
Unresolved Equity	1,128,082.22
Total Liabilities and Equity	$1,226,878.16

RESOLUTION 39-2026
On a motion of Councilman Snyder, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0
Resolved that the Monthly Supervisors report for July 2026 be accepted as submitted.

CODES: NO Report Submitted.

ASSESSOR: Report Submitted. At meeting Assessor voiced his disappointment in the Boards decision to not fully compensate the BAR members for the time spent on this years Grievance. He was explained to, how the members were paid and that a majority of the Board feels they were compensated.
Assessor gave the results of the Reassessment:
Land Value Equity is up 36%
Total Assessed Value (Town) is up 46%
Total Assessed Value (Village) is up 46%
A total of 4 SCAR hearings (with one resident having 3) were assigned, results from 2 have been held with the Hearing officer but remaining one still undone.

DCO: No Report

JUDICIAL: No Concerns

ZONING BOARD: No Concerns

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:
2 bids were received for the Furnace in the Highway garage.
Vonsie $27,300
Brian Klein $24,000
RESOLUTION 40-2026
On a motion of Councilman Snyder, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was
ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright

Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that Brian Klein be hired to install the furnace.

Disposal of 2 Fuel tanks from the Town Garage.
Superintendent Eaton said that there is approx. 500 gallons of fuel in the tanks and proposed to transfer the fuel to Municipal Hall tanks.

RESOLUTION 41-2026

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that the fuel be transferred to Municipal Hall so that the tanks may either be disposed of or sold. This project is to be started in September and be done before winter.

County Snowplowing Contract
$200 extra was offered by the County for the 26-27 season. Highway Department does not feel that it is worth that when you include the rise of cost in fuel, salt and sand. Phil said that he is waiting to see if the County increases the amounts before he decides.

Munz Road
Superintendent stated that approximately $80,000 is needed to finish the road. Road was chosen to be done due to misunderstanding that revenue that comes into the town can be used for highways. Supervisor Collins stated that money that comes in does not get to be used. Agreement was that $28,000 could be spent and the Board took away the amount that they were to contribute ($57,000).

RESOLUTION 42-2026

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that the Highway Dept. may spend up to $28,000 CHIPS money on any road this year.

TOWN CLERK:
Town Board signed a monthly reconciliation sheet for the Town Clerk Checking Account, verifying that the June and July 2026 bank statements and checkbook were in order.

RESOLUTION 43-2026

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CDBG New Applicants Approval Request
Discussion was had on a CDBG Grant Application for properties to included in the Grant.
On a motion of Councilman Snyder, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins,Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that CEO sign the 7 Approval request in the amount of $405,000.00 and documents be submitted to THOMA Consultants.

Question was asked by the Town Board of how Building Permits work with the Grant. Due to the recent reval, Assessor needs to be updated on all the improvements for his property records. Town Clerk will fill out a Building Permit form for each property with a listing of the repairs that are included, with no fee. Some residents will be having electrical work being done so Codes would have to do an inspection.

A quote from Rubber Stone NY in the amount of $8,415.00 was resubmitted. This amount includes repairing the cement on the front stairs of Municipal Hall and applying a Rubber Stone to the Stairway and ramp.

RESOLUTION 44-2026
On a motion of Councilman Snyder, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins,Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that Highway Superintendent will call and set up installation date and Town Clerk will submit the voucher for deposit of $2,524.50.

Clerk asked for approval for October 30th to hold Trunk or Treat and the Childrens Christmas Sale, which date hasn't been determined yet.

SUPERVISOR:
Steve Murphy requested use of the Community Room for Basketball Shooting sessions. The Board feels that we need a procedure in place to cover sporting in the building before approval could be given. There was also a concern of the old tiles and glue coming up with the bouncing of basketballs.

Budget requests have been sent out to departments, and all have not been returned. Budget Workshops will begin mid September.

2 claims were submitted for approval to be paid.

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Suzanne Collins $439.32
Anne Brown $239.88

RESOLUTION 45-2026

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Collins,Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright
Nays 0
Absent
Motion Carried 5:0

Resolved that 2 bills be paid.

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Councilman Snyder spoke about having a joint meeting with Madison School to discuss the possibility of some Shared Services. He will attempt to get it scheduled and advise. He also spoke of the School taxes which include the Library(s) budgets.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 7:29 PM, seconded by Councilman Peck to enter into Executive Session to discuss
The Medical, Financial, Credit or Employment history of a particular person or persons or matters leading to the appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or persons.
Collective Negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law.
Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation.

At 8:40 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.
Minutes submitted by Supervisor Collins

Supervisor will follow up with David Smith and Gene Whipple. Travis will follow up with Brian Burkle Jr.

Changes will be put into the Union Negotiation packet by Jona and he will again email the Union Attorney to try and get the ball rolling.

A Motion was made by Mark and seconded by Travis to vote in favor of the Public Hearing concerning Spectrum. Roll Call Vote: Yes Mark, Travis, Sue, Jona No, Charles

A motion was made by Jona seconded by Mark to set up a Public Hearing for September in case of a need to Override the Tax Cap. All in Favor.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Snyder seconded by Councilman Wright the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM. Carried unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,
Sonya Furness