

**TOWN OF AUGUSTA  
TOWN BOARD  
JANUARY 21, 2026**

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 21st day of January 2026.

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Phil Eaton, Highway Superintendent

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Colin Idzi Oneida County Legislator/ Oriskany Falls Mayor.

Supervisor Collins called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**MINUTES:**

The submitted Reorganization Minutes of January 2, 2026 and Town Board Minutes of December 17, 2025 were ADOPTED 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

**PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS:**

Colin Idzi asked if there were any concerns that needed his attention in regard to the town.

1. Supervisor asked the status of the Indian Gaming Money that the town has not received.
2. Voting to be held at Town Hall.. He was under the impression that this had been taken care of. As of this date no correspondence has been received from Board of Elections.
3. Radio donation to the Highway Department – these will be used to better the communications with the Fire Dept.
4. An update was given on topics that are happening within the Village of Oriskany Falls.

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**AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

**RESOLUTION 1- 2026**

Councilman Peck asked why Brake Rotors are being bought at such a high cost when they are available at other suppliers at a cheaper cost.

A motion of Councilman Russell, 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 bills contained on Abstract #1 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 1-10	\$ 2,552.09
General Fund Part Town	voucher #s 1 - 3	391.03
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 1-4	1,394.03
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 1 - 5	4,302.37

**REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:**

**SUPERVISOR:**

Supervisor Collins submitted the monthly report of the Towns finances for the month of December 2025.

Assets	Total
Special Districts 1537	\$ 9,752.59
Truck MMM 3249	105,461.10
Full Town Highway Checking 2126	0.00
Full Town Highway Savings 9241	87,574.81
Full Town General Savings 9058	96,376.60
Full Town General Checking 1780	0.00
Part Town General Checking 2134	0.00
Part Town General Savings 9228	39,120.42
Part Town Highway Checking 2460	0.00
Part Town Highway Savings 9137	449,810.76
Trust and Agency 2867	0.00
Indian Land Claim Savings 0115	76,271.54
Building Fund CD 9015	7,724.41
Reval MMM 3281	51,080.94
Loader 3346	67,858.64
Town Hall 6289	113,387.10
NYSLRS 3453	16,008.12
CDBG	33.37

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Total Assets	\$1,120,460.40
Net Income	(85,444.82)
Unresolved Equity	1,205,905.22
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$1,120,460.40

**RESOLUTION 2- 2026**

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Russell, 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 December 2025 be accepted as submitted.

**CODES:** Report Submitted

**ASSESSOR:** Report Submitted

**DCO:** Report Submitted

**JUDICIAL:** No Concerns

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:**

There has been no communication with Clinton Tractor in regards to the Mower. Phil will contact them and get an update on that situation.

New truck should be delivered in August. Supervisor Collins stated that there has been no financing done yet.

90% of the sand that was purchased has been used already this year. More will likely have to be purchased.

Highway Superintendent gave a breakdown of the amounts of materials used so far this winter season.

December 2025 - 3,400 Tons Sand and Salt  
2690 Gallons Fuel  
\$9,365.00 in Overtime

January 2026 (1/1/26 – 1/21/26)

1700 Tons Sand and Salt  
3000 Gallons Fuel  
Overtime yet to be determined

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**TOWN CLERK:**

Clerk has spoken to THOMA regarding the lack of applications that have been submitted/accepted for the grant. They were asked if it was once again possible to open the grant from just town residents to all Augusta residents. Thoma is going to check and verify that this was a scenario that was allowed.

The Board was asked if this is something that they would want to open up to the Village residents if approval is given as an effort to utilize the money that was awarded.

**RESOLUTION 3- 2026**

On a motion of Councilman Russell, 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 once approval has been given, notification of grant shall be given to Village residents.

Asked the Board what they thought about the Textmygov program that could be utilized as a notification process to residents instead of the newsletters . Due to the cost, Clerk will request it for the 2027 Budget.

**SUPERVISOR:**

Advised the board that Deidre Purdy is applying for another Art grant and would like to continue using the Community Room.

State is replacing culverts. "Pin 2754.83" which was started 2 years ago. Appraisals have been submitted for the Schmidt and Crill properties and although approval is not needed for Supervisor to sign and submit, she is asking the board for approval as she does not approve of the project.

**RESOLUTION 4- 2026**

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

**ADOPTED** Ayes 4    Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright  
Nays 1    Collins  
Absent  
Motion Carried 4:1

Resolved that Supervisor sign the paperwork and submit.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 6:43 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.

At 7:30 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.

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A motion was made by Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Snyder to have Erica Hutchins attend the training school at Turning Stone that is sponsored by the Tug Hill Commission in April. All in favor Collins, Peck, Russell, Snyder, Wright

A brief discussion was held on Adam Brouillette requesting a spot on the BAR, it was decided a provisional appointment would be made. Adam is encouraged to attend the February Board meeting.

**RESOLUTION 5- 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 4:1

Resolved that the appointment is contingent upon Adams appearance at the February meeting

Supervisor will follow up with the Office of the State Comptroller to get an opinion on purchases of subs and pizza for MEO employees.

A brief discussion was held on Credit Cards, the Amazon account has not been finalized yet due to a problem with email addresses. This will continue to be worked on. It was pointed out we could save considerably if we checked Amazon before using other vendors, it was also noted we want to do business locally however we have to keep the taxpayers in mind and get the best prices possible for our needs.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Peck seconded by Councilman Snyder the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonya Furness