

TOWN OF AUGUSTA

TOWN BOARD

July 15, 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 15th day of July 2026.

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

ALSO PRESENT: None

PUBLIC PRESENT: Thom Coon

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

MINUTES:

The submitted Town Board Minutes of June 17, 2026 were ACCEPTED with no changes.

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Russell, 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:

None

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLUTION 31-2026

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 bills contained on Abstract #7 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 49- 61	\$ 1,290.52
General Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 16 - 19	474.57
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 27 - 30	11,965.25
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 28 -31	1,864.81

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Questions were asked by the Town Board on the following:

1. International Charges on Cell Phone.
2. Brake Pedal Replacement – 5 Star – Under Warranty?
3. Why are vouchers still being submitted dated from March?

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor Collins submitted the monthly report of the Towns finances for the month of June 2026.

Assets	Total
Special Districts 1537	\$ 14,607.19
Truck MMM 3249	106,512.37
Full Town Highway Checking 2126	40,067.39
Full Town Highway Savings 9241	245,804.94
Full Town General Savings 9058	98,643.02
Full Town General Checking 1780	34,068.90
Part Town General Checking 2134	24,665.07
Part Town General Savings 9228	52,323.21
Part Town Highway Checking 2460	75,297.11
Part Town Highway Savings 9137	505,985.12
Trust and Agency 2867	0.00
Indian Land Claim Savings 0115	73,991.07
Building Fund CD 9015	7,801.42
Reval MMM 3281	21,526.26
Loader 3346	35,584.83
Town Hall 6289	134,463.82
NYSLRS 3453	17,522.17
CDBG	33.37

Total Assets	\$1,488,897.26
Net Income	360,815.04
Unresolved Equity	1,128,082.22
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$1,488,897.26

RESOLUTION 32-2026

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 Monthly Supervisors report for June 2026 be accepted as submitted.

CODES: NO Report Submitted.

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ASSESSOR: No Report

DCO: No Report

JUDICIAL: No Concerns

ZONING BOARD: No Concerns

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

Highway Superintendent through Councilman Peck asked permission to sell Brine Machine.

RESOLUTION 33-2026

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 Brine Machine be sold to Hamilton for the amount of \$2,000.00.

Highway Superintendent proposed a quote from Rubber Stone NY in the amount of \$8,415.00. This amount includes repairing the cement on the front stairs of Municipal Hall and applying a Rubber Stone to the Stairway and ramp.
Money for the project is already in a Fund to be used.
Board members would still like to look at a business that has the product already applied and being used and have some questions about the product answered.
Tabled until the August Board Meeting.

TOWN CLERK:

Asked Permission to destroy 2016 Final Assessment Roll

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 Pursuant to the Records Retention and Disposition Schedule LGS-1, the record mentioned above shall be disposed of either by shredding or burning.

RESOLUTION 34-2026

CDBG New Applicant Approval Request

Discussion was had on a CDBG Grant Application from North Road.

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

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

Resolved that CEO sign the Approval request in the amount of \$42,895.00 and documents be submitted to THOMA Consultants.

Town Clerk asked for approval in that her name and title be added on behalf of the Town to letters that are being written to several State and County Representatives in regard to NYS DOT not returning property that was sent out to be repaired in 2024. Property consisting of 2 Historical Marker Signs that have been in Augusta for several years. One was damaged by an Oneida County Snowplow on Knoxboro Rd. and the other was damaged in a motor vehicle accident on State Route 26. Clerk is working with 2 residents in an effort to have the signs returned to our town.

SUPERVISOR:
RESOLUTION 35-2026

Budget Adjustments

From	A 1930.0	To	A 1930.4	Amount	\$0
"	No Code	"	B 1920.4	"	0
"	DA 1930.0	"	DA 1930.4	"	0
"	DB 1930.0	"	DB 1930.4	"	0
"	A 1990.4	"	A 9055.8	"	\$400.00
"	DA 9060.8	"	DA 9055.8	"	140.00
"	DB 9060.8	"	DB 9055.8	"	140.00
Add Code			A 1620.2		
"	A 1620.4	"	A 1620.2		19,000.00
Unexpended Bal.		"	A 9010.8	"	5,000.00
"		"	B 9010.8	"	2,000.00
"		"	DA 9010.8	"	10,000.00
"		"	DB 9010.8	"	10,000.00

On a motion of Councilman Wright, 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 above listed Budget Adjustments be made.

Town Clerk was asked to set up a Public Hearing for August 19, 2026 at 5:45 on the topic of the Spectrum Franchise being renewed.

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Adopting the New York Association of Towns Bill of Rights

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 Resolution be signed, certified and sent to Governing agencies as directed.

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RESOLUTION NO. 36 OF 2026

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW YORK ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS
BILL OF RIGHTS

Introduced by Councilmember Snyder ; seconded by Councilmember Wright .

WHEREAS, town government provides services essential to the vitality of New York State, including but not limited to maintaining and repairing roads, protecting neighborhoods and businesses, guiding economic development, and serving as the first line of defense, communication, and safety for residents every day of the year; and
WHEREAS, the 933 towns of New York State are home to more than 9.1 million New Yorkers and are diverse in population, geography, and demographics, such that decisions affecting daily life are best made at the local level by the government that best understands each community's character, challenges, and needs; and

WHEREAS, the towns of New York are partners in shaping the State's future, and a true partnership between the State and its local governments will propel the New York State forward to the benefit of all New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, the New York Association of Towns has adopted a Bill of Rights articulating the core principles that should govern the relationship between the State and its towns; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Augusta shares and affirms those principles, namely:

1. Protection and defense of municipal home rule, recognizing that towns, as the level of government closest to the people, are best positioned to balance competing interests and make decisions that shape daily life;
2. Local control of land use and zoning, free from statewide zoning rules that override the voice of resident taxpayers and the officials they elect;
3. Freedom from unfunded mandates, so that local taxpayers are not made to bear the cost of orders imposed by State and federal authorities without the resources to carry them out;
4. Modernized transparency, accessibility, and engagement, including reform of outdated public-notice requirements that consume scarce municipal dollars on print notices often missed by the public; and
5. A meaningful voice in State decisions affecting the hometowns that towns govern, so that town government is treated as a true partner rather than an afterthought or a hurdle to clear; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Augusta hereby endorses and adopts the New York Association of Towns Bill of Rights and affirms its commitment to the principles set forth therein; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board calls upon the Governor and the New York State Legislature to respect and uphold these principles in the enactment of legislation and the administration of State programs affecting towns; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this

resolution to the Governor of the State of New York, the Temporary President of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, the State Senator(s) and Member(s) of the Assembly representing the Town of Augusta , and the New York Association of Towns; and be it further
RESOLVED, that this Resolution was passed on July 15, 2026 at the Town Of Augusta

Board Meeting at 2470 North Road, Oriskany Falls NY 13425

Collins, Aye

Peck, Aye

Russell, Aye

Snyder, Aye

Wright, Aye

Sign and Certified by Augusta Town Clerk

Sonya M. Furness

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Discussion was revisited on the front stairs and proposed Rubber Stone project.

Questions again were asked:

What does applied salt do to the product?

Fixing of the sub straight?

Warranty and Price

Councilman Snyder asked that we attempt to get these answers so that a decision can be made.

Collins Aye, Peck Aye, Russell Nay, Snyder Aye, Wright Aye

Questions were answered in regard to the Municipal Mobile Device Policy that were asked for clarification of.

RESOLUTION 37-2026

On a motion of Councilman Wright, 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 Municipal Mobile Device Policy be Approved.

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CHIPS

RESOLUTION 38-2026

Funding is still needed for sand, salt and fuel for the 2026-2027 winter season

Amount Budgeted Revenue \$ 247,843.00

State Amount to be Received \$262,040.23 (Including PAVE NY, EWR, POP)

Amount Spent Year to Date \$203,241.08

Amount Budgeted Expenditures \$304,407.00

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 Highway Superintendent can only spend up to the amount being reimbursed by CHIPS. The Town is not putting in their share at this time.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 6:55 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 7:30 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.

Minutes submitted by Supervisor Collins

A motion was made by Jona, seconded by Mark to not allow any additional funds towards Grievance day. All in favor: Mark, Jona, Travis, Charles. Not in favor: Sue
Travis stated they had plenty of years where they were paid the full amount for day and nobody or very few people came to grieve.

Sue will follow up with Codes Officer

It should be noted to the ZBA that future conversations on subdivisions should certainly include the Highway Superintendent if roads are being considered. We do not want another situation such as Miner/Keshler Road issues coming up again.

Sue will inquire if the County has an Ethics Committee

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Wright seconded by Councilman Snyder the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Sonya Furness