

**TOWN BOARD MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD  
OF THE TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, NEW YORK,  
HELD AT TOWN HALL, 8635 CLINTON STREET, NEW HARTFORD, NY ON  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025 at 6:00 P.M.**

Town Supervisor Miscione called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The roll was then taken with the following Town Officials and Department Heads being present during the progress of the meeting.

**TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councilman James J. Messa  
Councilman John Latini  
Councilman David M. Reynolds  
Councilman David Tehan  
Supervisor Paul A. Miscione

**OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS/EMPLOYEES PRESENT:**

Town Clerk, Cheryl A. Jassak-Huther  
Town Attorney, Herbert Cully  
Deputy Town Supervisor, Anthony J. Trevisani  
Highway Superintendent, Richard Sherman  
Highway Foreman, Chris Moran  
Assistant Director of Personnel, Barbara Schwenzfeier  
Codes Officer – George Farley  
Police Chief, Ronald Fontaine

Thereafter a quorum was declared present for the transaction of business.

- I.     Moment of silence for Dale Griffith** – he passed away 8/11/2025 – he worked for the Town of New Hartford for 35 years for the Highway Department.

**II.    BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 165 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the Board Meeting minutes for the July 9, 2025 meeting (were amended to remove article written by the Daily Sentinel for meeting dated 7/9/2025).

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye

Supervisor Miscione - Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

### **III. PRESENTATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. **Mr. and Mrs. Wells** – Collins Lane Land; Wells family has taken care of the land for the past 8 years; Town Supervisor Miscione will call Oneida County to get information for the Wells Family
- b. **Mr. Steve Buck** – Update on storage project – spoke with Supervisor Miscione about a bar and Supervisor asked Mr. Buck to consider to take off the table; Mr. Buck - I went back to my partners, and we gave it consideration. The bottom line is, we want to do a project on the property that makes sense, that fits within the community. Originally, I thought the storage unit project was great because they don't make any noise, they don't make any smoke, very little traffic. And so, I'm looking for some direction from the Town Board on what collectively would be considered an acceptable project at the site; Town Attorney Herbert Cully – would have to go to the Planning Board for approval – printed out all the permitted uses under C-1 – a bar does fit under the current permitted use - They do a SEQR, they look at your access, ingress, egress, they deal with stormwater, parking, impervious areas, and you have to deal with those things to get approval, but to come to the Town Board and say, 'What do you want me to do with this?' I don't know if that's appropriate; Supervisor Miscione - I don't think a bar down there would be very helpful to the residents; that's kind of what I stressed. I know that it's a permitted use, but I think if we do something more conducive to the area, that would be helpful; Mr. Buck – ask that it get tabled for now (Town Attorney said Mr. Buck is welcome to call him anytime, I am here to help you) I guess there have been a lot of neighbors who aren't really thrilled about a bar so we're going to go back to the drawing board, regroup, and figure out if we can propose something that fits within the existing New Hartford code; Town Attorney and Town Supervisor – thanked Mr. Buck; Councilman Reynolds asked about the property on Rt. 12 B – Mr. Buck has all the proper documentation and there is no stop work order on his project, approvals and everything in place, voluntary agreed to stop until National Grid has worked things out
- c. **Mr. John D'Amore** – Solar Project on Rt. 12 – trees that were planted – amended soil/mulch required by the site plan – root balls exposed – sent a letter to George Farley - \$400,000 worth of trees; Mr. D'Amore offered to pay the Town \$5,000 to send an arborist to look at the trees/plans; can see the site – 15 years for the buffer zone to mature – more water on his property – have some problems here – pulling the wool over our eyes and the Town's eyes too – suppose to inspect trees on a monthly basis; Town Attorney Herbert Cully will ask who did the inspection verification, what date written report was prepared and we would like a copy – asked George Farley to call him tomorrow with Dory to put a letter together

**IV. PUBLIC HEARING - Local Law 3 of 2025**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 166 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to open the public hearing.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Tehan and duly seconded by Councilman Latini.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 167 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to close the public hearing.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Tehan and duly seconded by Councilman Latini.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 168 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve Local Law 3 of 2025.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

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Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

**Local Law No. 3 of 2025**

**Town of New Hartford, New York**

A Local Law to amend the Code of the Town of New Hartford, Chapter 113 thereof entitled “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, Schedule VII, Section 113-41, stop intersections,

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of New Hartford as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 113 of the Code of the Town of New Hartford, Section 113-41, is hereby amended to include the following:

Section 113-41. Schedule VII: Stop Intersections.

**DIRECTION**

**STOP SIGN ON**  
***Fawncrest Blvd.***

**OF TRAVEL AT**  
***Northbound***

**INTERSECTION OF**  
***Merrimac St. Extension***

***Merrimac St. Extension Eastbound***

***Stanhope Court***

Section 2. All other provisions of Chapter 113.41 of the Code of the Town of New Hartford, and amendments thereto, are hereby affirmed except to the extent that this Local Law shall modify or amend.

Section 3. This Local Law shall become effective immediately upon its filing in the Office of the Secretary of State

**V. REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS**

**a. TOWN CLERK – Cheryl Jassak-Huther**

**i. 30 Day Advanced Notice – Liquor License – Ristorante Caffè Maya – 8195 Seneca Turnpike**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Reynolds and duly seconded by Councilman Latini.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 169 OF 2025)**

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**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the 30-Day Advanced Notice Liquor License – Ristorante Caffè Maya – 8195 Seneca Turnpike

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

**ii. 30 Day Advanced Notice – Liquor License – Chipotle – 4815 Commercial Drive**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 170 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the 30-Day Advanced Notice Liquor License – Chipotle – 4815 Commercial Drive.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

**iii. Ice Cream Food Truck Library**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 171 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to waive the food truck permit fee for the Ice Cream Social at the New Hartford Public Library.

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The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

**b. CHIEF RONALD FONTAINE**

**i. School Safety Officer Agreement**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 172 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve for Supervisor Miscione to sign the School Safety Officer Agreement.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

**ii. School Resource Officer Agreement**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Reynolds and duly seconded by Councilman Latini.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 173 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve for Supervisor Miscione to sign the School Resource Officer Agreement.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye

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Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

- iii. **Supplemental Police Service Agreement**- Chief will edit it and send to Town Attorney Herbert Cully for review and then bring back to Supervisor Miscione for approval
- iv. Supervisor Miscione brought up that Animal Control Officer John Treen has done an amazing job with the Elm Street cats issue; Councilman Reynolds also said John Treen has done an amazing job; will set up a time for the Town Board to tour the animal shelter; waiting on permanent license from State – were given permission to run a temporary shelter.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel Matters/Tax Certiorari**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 174 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to enter into Executive Session at 6:41pm.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 175 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to come out of Executive Session at 7:16pm.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
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Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

**VII. REPORT OF TOWN DEPARTMENTS**

**a. CHIEF RONALD FONTAINE**

**i. NEW HIRES**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 176 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to hire David Armstrong and Peter Caruso as part-time school safety officers, start date TBD.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 177 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to hire David John Ceccaatto as full-time police officer, start date TBD.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye



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The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 178 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to hire “Tentative #1 Officer”, full-time, civil service candidate, start date TBD once background investigations are complete and civil service approval obtained.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 179 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to hire “Tentative #2 Officer”, full-time, civil service candidate, start date TBD once background investigations are complete and civil service approval obtained.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

Discussion: Resident Cindy Sigbieny spoke up that could not hear clearly; Supervisor Miscione did state if we are hiring two people, we do need separate motions for each person and Town Clerk Cheryl Jassak-Huther did ask the Board to re do the motions because they did not make five motions. The Board believed they made five motions; Town Clerk will review video to verify.

**b. HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT RICHARD SHERMAN**  
**i. NEW HIRES**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 180 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to Christopher Price, \$22/hour, full time, permanent, CDL license, start date 8/14/25.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Reynolds and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 181 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to Shaun Loomis, \$22/hour, full time, permanent, CDL license, start date 8/15/25.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

**ii. SURPLUS**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 182 OF 2025)**

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**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to old Codes Car.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Reynolds and duly seconded by Councilman Latini.

### (RESOLUTION NO. 183 OF 2025)

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to surplus John Deere over rail mower.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

## **VIII. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY COUNCILMEN**

### **a. COUNCILMAN REYNOLDS**

- i.** 11 fire inspections completed July 3-August 5; \$4,079.70; all done by Mike Connors, all two inspectors were not paid – only get paid when do inspections ; year to date total of \$63,020.88 (143 inspections); still don't have an exact number of how many inspections that need to be completed (waiting on list from Assessors Office)

### **b. COUNCILMAN LATINI**

- i.** **127 Sedgewick Park – Mr. Brian Noonan** – problem with the flooding – sink hole, lots of flooding, storm drain, caved in, multiple issues and Mr. Noonan doesn't want just a "band aide" fix; Town issue; previous owner and Town never did an easement; issue coming off detention pond and catch basin – A LOT OF WATER coming down; plans were drawn up years ago by the Town (John Dunkle) and nothing ever moved forward; Highway Superintendent Richard

Sherman – yes, plans were drawn up – Town went up to look at it, its very deep, pipe rotted out, goes across his lawn, crosses his driveway, little beyond the driveway, and down a steep hill. The price was up there \$200-\$250,000 – for us to do it, it is too deep. I would have to take his lawn, his whole front yard, and set it back so its safe for the guys to work in the area and its awful deep (14/15 ft deep) I came up with a solution of maybe putting a pipe on top of the old pipe – fill in old pipe with concrete and put new pipe on top. If we do it, he will loose his whole front yard if we do the job ourselves – gas lines, sewer lines, water lines, etc.; Chris Moran – have to take some shots on the lines and figure out if can go above or below them. Need to do a little site work there before we start; Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman – we got to that point. It's a lot of money; I never got permission to go forward with it; Supervisor Miscione suggested a concrete structure underneath Mr. Noonan's driveway; Chris Moran answered Councilman Latini's question if the catch basin has been replaced in the front – Chris Moran – no, because we have nowhere to run it and it ties into the system that is failing; Mr. Noonan – New Hartford employees do a great job - it has gotten to the point where there is a sink hole in the right side of my home, kids at the house, sunk in twice, had it filled twice, its about 8-10 feet deep. Next time it rains it will probably do it again. It has reached a point that something has to be done. It is a Town issue; Supervisor Miscione – we need to slow the water down from the pond – I have seen it – I think whatever we put, there is going to be another problem over time; Mr. Noonan – the plans the Town engineer drew up – I went to a civil engineer from NYC, sent him the plans, said they look great, offered to come out and do the work for Mr., Noonan – draw things up to present to the Town; Supervisor Miscione – there are a lot of laws when we do work on peoples lands – if we do the detention pond and it helps multiple residents, it is a project that might be able to get done. If it just does it for your house, I think that is the problem we had the last time with the previous owner; Mr. Noonan – my issue is the Town approved it; Supervisor Miscione – if we can fix the issue we can help more neighbors; Councilman Tehan – something needs to be done – the ravine with the water/trees eroding - Chris Moran – As part of the plan that was drawn up, the ravine was supposed to be used as detention along with debris control so those banks don't erode and the debris isn't able to get to the structure; Supervisor Miscione asked Councilman Latini, Chris Moran and Rick Sherman to go up and walk the property and Chris Moran did say he is sure the pond on Silverbirch needs to be cleaned out. Believes the last time it was cleaned out was when John Spinella worked for the Town; Mr. Noonan – he has also taken out 3 or 4 full trees out of the ravine – have sent videos of the water; Supervisor Miscione suggested if we have the information from the job from John Dunkle, we can put it into a BID form and see if we can go out to BID and see what the prices come back (Councilman Latini – we have to do something); Councilman Messa – the problem with history is, we go out to BID

and we don't do anything, then the numbers are out there – I think the first step is to look at the detention pond and if we need to change the concrete structure that has been there, it maybe inadequate, I think we look at that entirely and let's take that as a first step -basically what I am saying is it hasn't been done in a number of years – we have improved our detention ponds structurally – these guys have built a number of them, and have worked out quite well. It may sound like a band-aid (Mr. Noonan – it does) but we have to start somewhere; Mr. Noonan – First of all anything would help, so I start by saying that but band-aids are not going to work; Councilman Latini – I agree, I have been there, I have seen it – the pipe is all collapsed underneath; Chris Moran – the ravine is one thing but the catch basin at the street does not function because the pipe in his yard; Mr. Noonan – my biggest concern right now is the sink hole – my kids play over there – it has sunk right in – I have seen it drop 8 ft. and it's a hazard; Councilman Messa – haven't we fixed it already, the sink hole? I know you have Mr. Noonan; Mr. Noonan – I have and that is the band-aid thing; Chris Moran – we fixed it once, 20 ft.; Councilman Messa – is there anyway to at least fix the sink hole because what I am hearing is there are small kids and whatever else, people walking in the neighborhood – is there anything we can do to mitigate that situation? Look at the other stuff?; Chris Moran – Probably just reroute the water that comes out of the catch basin somewhere whether you put in a temporary pipe out of that drain down through the yard and back into the ravine; Supervisor Miscione – here is the problem too, if you change the direction of the water that is right there and you start throwing it down the street, those other houses are going to get blasted; Councilman Messa – two things to combat – look at the detention pond and secure the sink hole for the time being because that is a big liability to the Town; Mr. Noonan – it is a problem and my request is that this isn't like a band-aid; Councilman Messa – the other thing that they proposed, we need some time on that one, I think for the time being is if, and I don't want to use the word band-aid, sounds like we can elevate some things and again we know its temporary, but if it can help the situation as we look into the other issue; Mr. Noonan – I appreciate your thoughtfulness but there is an issue and I guess what I keep diverting to is there is already a plan out there from the Town Engineer; Councilman Latini/Supervisor Miscione – reach out to the County for help or DOT grants; Mr. Noonan - It is not just my house. I am sure it not an easy project; Councilman Reynolds – I appreciate your attitude and I hope that we were able to do something for you and the attitude doesn't change. You are very understanding and I am not sure I would be in your position when you are talking about a sink hole that goes down (Mr. Noonan – at least 8 ft.); Councilman Tehan – as a home owner I had a pipe put in, I paid for the pipe, the Town did the work – is that what we are talking about here?; Supervisor Miscione – No, this is bigger- this is taking the water from all the other developments and throwing it on his property. I hate to say it but I think the only

thing that is going to truly solve this the right way is to do the same thing we did on Oneida Street with the concrete structure, it is the only thing that is going to hold up the massive flow and the speed of that water coming down the hill. It is bad, probably one of the worse one I have seen; Chris Moran – Temporarily, you can probably put a new pipe out of that catch basin at the street down through his yard into the ravine until you do the rest of the project; Supervisor Miscione – is that something that will be hard to do?; Chris Moran – No because that is shallow but still you will just send that water over the bank which isn't ideal either but it is a smaller pipe and would elevate the water at the street from going down his driveway; Councilman Latini – is this something we can get started?: Chris Moran – you can do something temporarily until you replace the big pipe (Councilman Latini – we have do something, Mr. Noonan has been waiting a long time); Chris Moran – yes; Councilman Tehan – get some BIDs and see what we can do; Supervisor Miscione – of all the stuff we have seen in the years been here, this is the worst, when that water comes down there it could kill somebody. So, Mr. Noonan is being very, very nice; In the meantime, do the concrete temporarily; Go out to BID for the project John Dunkle did.

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 184 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to go out for BID for 127 Sedgewick Park Drainage Improvement project.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

Discussion – Supervisor Miscione – isn't that pond next to my property? I own all that property (14 acres). If the pond is on there, you guys can do whatever you want to do. If it can help.

- ii. **130/134 Sylvan Way – Fred Labella (Lawn and Storm Drain)** – Chris Moran – the project has already been started

c. **COUNCILMAN MESSA**

- i. **Out to BID for sidewalks for Chadwicks-Oneida Street (to include corner of Red Hill Rd. and Oneida Street)** – Supervisor Miscione suggested himself and

Councilman Messa get together and put together the BID packet (with Rick) – we don't have one, we need to do the measurements – will take some stress off the Highway Department (Chris Moran – yes, we could use some help with that). Latest to lay concrete – can do a winter mix; Councilman Messa – we can have it ready for the Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and then send out to BID and award it; Chris Moran – if doing curbs, you need to do drainage because there is currently not much drainage there; Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman – will also have to go out to BID for that as well; Supervisor Miscione – we can do all that, we just need to sit down and come up with a plan. The money is there and the County is going to support us; we just need a plan

- ii. **Further discuss on local law for moratorium for solar** – meeting with Councilman Messa, Mr. Kalil, Town Attorney Herbert Cully on August 21, 2025 at 4:30pm at the Town Hall.
- iii. **Update on retention pond project on Roman Road** – Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman – it is about 90% done; Chris Moran – the first pond is, I encourage anyone to come up and look at it, it's pretty impressive with the hole in the ground and the work that has been done. Trying to make sure there are a few guys working up there every day. Pond 1 – by the end of summer, Pond 2 working on it due to the terrain.

d. **COUNCILMAN TEHAN**

- i. **2023 Bank reconciliations and Financial Statement Audits** – Supervisor updated the Board – end of August, first of September – Erika sent out an email that all the information is being provided by the Town – we are all calling the auditors, asked that the Town Board also would reach out to help get this done; 2023 Recons are all done and Christina did forward to the Board, they have started the audit and they are supposed to come to the Town next week

**IX. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY TOWN SUPERVISOR MISCIONE**

a. **VOUCHERS**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 185 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to pay the vouchers.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
<i>Councilman Tehan abstained from the Adirondack Bank Voucher</i>		
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

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The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

RECORD OF CLAIMS #1	
A	\$3,626.33
B	
BP	\$2,165.08
DB	\$72.04
F	
SF	
SL	\$1,157.30
SS	
TA	\$16,277.58
HEP	
HMA	\$352.09
HTA	\$1,783.23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,433.65</b>

RECORD OF CLAIMS #2	
25-01130 - 25-01134	
A	\$3,107.97
B	
BP	\$74,745.68
DB	
F	
SF	
SL	
SS	
TA	\$10,975.97
HEP	
HMA	
HTA	\$3,375.43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$88,829.62</b>

RECORD OF CLAIMS #3	
25-01135 - 25-01139	
A	
B	
BP	
DB	
F	
SF	
SL	
SS	
TA	
HEP	
HMA	
HTA	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$88,182.55</b>

RECORD OF CLAIMS #4	
25-01152 - 25-01164	
A	\$13,471.58
B	\$1,148.44
BP	\$10,948.82
DA	
DB	
F	
SF	
SL	
SS	\$1,132.65
TA	\$2,920.74
HEP	
HMA	
HTA	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$29,622.23</b>

RECORD OF CLAIMS #5	
25-01166 - 25-01169	
A	\$20,110.36
B	\$3,218.02
BP	\$4,678.51
DA	
DB	\$114.38
F	
SF	
SL	\$221.78
SS	\$4.37
TA	\$3,625.43
HEP	
HMA	
HTA	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$31,972.85</b>

RECORD OF CLAIMS #6	
25-01179 - 25-01191	
A	\$10,266.95
B	\$89.71
BP	\$1,524.96
DA	
DB	\$33,074.57
F	
SF	
SL	
SS	\$1,081.86
TA	\$19,530.21
HEP	
HMA	
HTA	\$3,070.98
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$68,639.24</b>

RECORD OF CLAIMS #7	
25-01117 & 25-01192 - 25-01306	
A	\$50,251.99
B	\$3,583.10
BP	\$10,392.07
DA	
DB	\$67,750.35
F	
SF	\$78.25
SL	
SS	\$58,106.56
TA	
HEP	
HMA	\$1,183,811.63
HTA	\$27,979.56
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,401,953.51</b>

- b. **UPGRADE GLASS AND HOCKEY BOARDS AT REC CENTER** - glass at the Rec Center are very old ; Chris Moran – wear and tear/gates are starting to get worn, kids have broken a lot of sticks from getting caught in the gates, its time to look into replacing – last time quoted, maybe 3 years ago, maybe \$70,000 (glass and boards); Councilman Tehan, Messa and Supervisor Miscione – we can looking into getting sponsors, advertisers to pay for them; Supervisor Miscione even mentioned if had a larger sponsor they would rename the Rec Center – would support the Rec Center; Chris Moran – back in the day all the Boards were sponsors – everyone is looking to sponsor – the glass is short in our rink, if replacing it, I would go full glass all the way around. Supervisor Miscione will look to see if on State contract and get sponsors; Councilman Latini would like to help out the Rec Center, big hockey Town and it's a great place and needs upgrading; Supervisor Miscione – the roof situation; Chris Moran – that is a bigger point,



it was good last year after we patched it but its back to leaking. Last winter it was good but its back to leaking. Poor design where the two roofs come together. Seam in there that doesn't belong, that is where it leaks. Something we need to fix; Supervisor Miscione – problem is the front is not structurally done right now we are taking the hit for it because we Bonded for the new roof and we got the quotes for the new roof which would have been fine but after we went out to BID there were structurally issues, whoever designed it didn't really design it to spec. \$1.2 million to redo the entire roof; Supervisor Miscione will have quotes for the next meeting for glass and boards; Chris Moran – overhang/gutter – because of the ice – if don't fix we should move the entrance to the front (Councilman Reynolds – been put on notice, need to deal with the issue first, get it done).

- c. **PARK PLAYGROUND UPDATES** – the main waterline and electrical lines went through the playground so when the company was up there and drilling, they hit the waterline; Supervisor Miscione went up on the weekend, the day it happened, with his own, personal equipment and dug the waterline and repaired for the Town – now moving all the waterlines and electrical outside the area in case ever have to move it. Looking to have done first week of Sept.; Chris Moran – the new waterline is done, worked on the 110 line and now going to work on the 220 line. Town is using the Town Supervisors personal machine to not hold up Town equipment. Have community events at the Park in Sept.
- d. **NYDEC Trout Stream Access for Sauquoit Creek** – Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman - by the Highway garage, but it gated, they want to fish, once Rayhill Trail fixed they can fish off the Trail; built a new spot in Washington Mills to fish (FEMA did it and its done); Supervisor Miscione suggested we tell them they can do this once the trail is complete and can access from the trail; Councilman Reynolds – Mr. Waszkiewicz plaque needs to be reinstalled
- e. **RAYHILL TRAIL PROJECT BID**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 186 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to go out to BID for the Rayhill Trail Project and take out the money amount.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

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The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

- f. Highway Superintendent Richard Sherman wanted the Board to know at the Village Board meeting – the County comes and solicits to help take abandoned houses down – talk to them about the cost to the Town

**X. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY TOWN ATTORNEY**

**a. New FOIL Application Approval**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 187 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve the NEW FOIL Application

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

**b. Philip Sacco FOIL Appeal** – all documentations have been provided

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Reynolds and duly seconded by Councilman Latini.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 188 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to deny Mr. Philip Sacco's appeal.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

**c. Auto Zone Tax Certiorari**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Reynolds.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 189 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to settle AutoZone tax certiorari for reduction from \$763,000 to \$583,000 with no refunds.

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

**d. TRAILWIND**

The following Resolution was then introduced for adoption by Councilman Latini and duly seconded by Councilman Tehan.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 190 OF 2025)**

**RESOLVED**, that the New Hartford Town Board does hereby approve to settle Trailwind tax certiorari which encompasses three (3) years, with a \$1,473,000 reduction with a waiver of refunds for all three (3) years. As well as there was a vacant parcel next to that parcel that was included and they are waiving any claim as to that parcel (2022, 2023, 2024).

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly **ADOPTED**.

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- a. Cindy Sigbienny – Champman Road** – You are talking about projects that are being completed and all – the Veterans Park – have seen a lot of pictures on Social Media and

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went to see it tonight and it is beautiful, it is absolutely beautiful, the spray, the waterfalls with the different colors, the monuments, it is just a beautiful, peaceful beauty that is added to that area (I don't know what was there before); Supervisor Miscione – it was always a Veterans Park but it was all redone last year; Cindy Sigbienny – never noticed it before and took a drive up there and it is really beautiful; Councilman Latini – I agree; Town Attorney Herbert Cully – and the lady sitting in front of you is a major part of that (Town Clerk Cheryl Jassak-Huther); Councilman Latini – thank you Cheryl and the Highway Department for all have done at the Veterans Park

- b. Town Clerk Cheryl Jassak-Huther thanked Supervisor Miscione for dedicating August 7, 2025 as a Purple Heart Town in the Town of New Hartford and the ceremony that was held at our Town Hall for the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Supervisor thanked Cheryl for putting the ceremony together and the MOPH wanted to extend their thanks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilman Latini and seconded Councilman Reynolds, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm.

**(RESOLUTION NO. 191 OF 2025)**

The Town Board voted upon roll call, resulting as follows:

Councilman Messa	-	Aye
Councilman Latini	-	Aye
Councilman Reynolds	-	Aye
Councilman Tehan	-	Aye
Supervisor Miscione	-	Aye

The Resolutions were unanimously carried and duly ***ADOPTED***.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Jassak-Huther  
Town Clerk, RMC  
8/17/2025