9-10-26 TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Supporting documents for this meeting are available in the Town Clerk's Office

6:00 P.M. BUDGET WORKSHOP

7:00 P.M. Supervisor Wright called the meeting to order and all cited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Members Present: Supervisor Mo Wright, Highway Superintendent Andy Gilbert, Attorney Raeann Johnson, Town Clerk Colleen DeMarsh, Board Members; Tina Ladd, Tim Hilker, Jim Brewster & Chuck Ovitt.

Approval of Pre-Paids:

General:	**$ 15,982.78**	**Highway:**	**$ 9,948.11**
Water 1:	**$ 921.63**	**Water 2:**	**$ 2,844.29**
Sewer:	**$ 374.44**	**Street Lighting:**	**$ 5,820.22**

Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

Approval of Paying Bills:

General:	**$ 14,511.05**	**Highway:**	**$ 19,891.57**
Water 1:	**$ 347.10**	**Water 2:**	**$ 176.35**
Sewer:	**$ 1,843.29**	**HO-7:**	**$ 43,326.62**
Youth:	**$ 4,908.50**		

Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

Budget Transfers
GENERAL
TRANSFER **$1973.41** FROM CODE 7110.1 (PARKS P/S) TO CODE 1430.1 (PERSONNEL P/S)
SW1
DEBIT CODE 909 (FUND Bal) by **$9640.00**, credit code 960 (APPROPRIATIONS) SUB CODE 8310.1 (ADMIN P/S)
TRANSFER **$1047.42** FROM CODE 8330.4 (PURIFICATION) TO CODE 8320.4 (SOURCE)
SW2
DEBIT CODE 909 (FUND BAL) BY **$14640.00,** CREDIT CODE 960 (APPROPRIATIONS) SUB CODES:
8310.1 – 9640.00
8320.4 – 5000.00
YOUTH
DEBIT CODE 909 (FUND BAL) BY **4908.50**, CREDIT CODE 960 (APPROPRIATIONS) SUB CODE 7310.4
Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

Provided in Folders: 8/13/26 Meeting Minutes
Reports; Fuel, Building Inspector, Town Clerk & DEC, Budget Transfers, Supervisor, Operating Statement

Public Comments
Historian Kathy Trackey reported:

- Requested that the Quilt presented to the Town for the 225th Birthday and historical artwork she has created should not be hung until the Senior/Community Center has been painted.
- Presented a binder she has created about the 225th Birthday Celebration & a Certificate of Appreciation from the HL Historical Society that was presented to her.
- Would like to open the Senior/Community Center a couple of Saturdays next summer to display the town's history.

Acceptance of 8-13-26 Town Board Meeting Minutes
Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

Acceptance of August 2026 Supervisor's Report
Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

Highway Superintendent's Report:

- Superintendent Gilbert reported that Kings Road Paving has been completed.

- **3rd Avenue Milling will be done on October 5th. Paving on October 6th.**

- He also requested permission to purchase:
  - 2026 John Deere 624P Wheel Loader
    - Price $249,876.00
    - Trade Allowance - 28,000.00
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    - **Total Cost $221,876.00**

RESOLUTION #40
Be it resolved that the Town Board of Hadley hereby approves the Highway Superintendent to purchase a 2026 John Deere 624P Wheel Loader at the total price of $221,876.00.
Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

- Superintendent Gilbert also reported that**;**

FALL LEAF AND BRUSH PICK UP WILL BE THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 26TH

- He also reported that it looks like Luzerne will be losing their garbage pick-up and would like to discuss the possible effects it could have on Hadley. The board agreed that this will need to be discussed.

Supervisor's Report:

- Supervisor Wright reported that the Kings School is requesting a Resolution granting permission use Harris Road & Kings Road for a 5k Run, October 17th, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. They provided a map of the route.
- Councilman Tim Hilker asked if they are requesting road closure.
- Supervisor Wright responded No. We are not giving permission to close the road.

RESOLUTION #41
Be it resolved that the Town Board of Hadley hereby grants permission to the Kings School to use Harris Road and Kings Road as designated on the map of the route provided by the Kings School, for a 5k Run on October 17th, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

- Supervisor Wright also scheduled the next Budget Workshop for: **October 8th, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**

Town Clerk Report

- Town Clerk DeMarsh reported that there is going to be Training Seminar on 9/23 regarding Short-Term Rentals. It is an issue that has been recently addressed by Saratoga County with legislation. The training seminar will discuss how it will affect Town Clerk's.
- She also reported that 2026 Water/Sewer Billing is closing and Re-levies will be sent to Saratoga County this month

Other items

- Councilman Hilker reported about the most recent meeting with the town of Hadley/Lake Luzerne and Rockwell Falls Ambulance.
    - He stated they are ironing things out and making changes to existing contracts.
    - The terms seem to satisfy all parties.
    - He believes they are close to clearing hurdles.

- Attorney Johnson reported that if the board desires, she would need a motion to draft a Local Law extending the 6-month moratorium on battery energy storage systems and we would need to hold a special meeting in order to meet the deadlines approaching.

Motion made to hold a special meeting on **September 24th at 7:00p.m**. Attorney Johnson will present a proposed local law extending the 6-month moratorium on battery energy storage systems and the town board will schedule a public hearing if they so desire.
Motion made by Chuck Ovitt. Second by Tim Hilker. All Ayes. Approved.

7:23 p.m. Supervisor Wright entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Motion made by Jim Brewster. Second by Chuck Ovitt. All Ayes. Approved.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, September 24th at 7pm - Special Meeting to discuss extension of 6-month moratorium for battery energy storage systems.

Thursday, October 8th at 5pm – BUDGET WORKSHOP

Thursday, October 8th at 7pm – Regular Town Board Meeting