

MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
July 30, 2025

The Town of Manlius Town Board held a hybrid meeting with in-person attendees and virtual attendees. The meeting was live streamed on the Town Facebook page and the Town YouTube Channel. The recording of the meeting can be viewed here;

https://www.youtube.com/live/hPcDgkvv_uY?si=QRjfMKwfrSKhnlDk

Supervisor Deer (Virtual) presided, and the following Board members were present:

	Sara Bollinger, Councilor
	Ingrid Gonzalez-McCurdy, Councilor
	Alissa Italiano, Councilor
Virtual	Mike Nesci, Councilor
	William Nicholson, Councilor
	Katelyn M. Kriesel, Councilor

The following Town Officers were present: Carrie Grevelding, Town Clerk. Ann Oot, Town Manager.

1. Attendees

In-Person Meeting Attendees: Craig Dudczak, Fayetteville. Dylan Black, Fayetteville. Bruce McClean, Fayetteville. Ron Bort, Fayetteville. Madeleine Bort, Fayetteville. Robin Cortese, Manlius. Laura Huffman, Manlius. Robin Gilels Aiello, Fayetteville. Tom Bassett, Manlius. Arnie Poltenson, Manlius. Mike Small, Fayetteville. Michael Ennamorato, Kirkville. Rita Ennamorato, Kirkville. Ken Kirkman, East Syracuse. Karen Ayoub, Manlius. Roseann Lorefice, Manlius. Carl Kreischel, Kirkville. Joan Pelletier, Fayetteville. Ken Wagner, Manlius. Lynn Fallon, Fayetteville. Jason Klaiber, Eagle Bulletin. Gregory Daily, Fayetteville. John Hamilton, Fayetteville. Andrea Goodwater, Manlius. Gary Falco, Manlius. Linda Falco, Manlius. Tom Pilewski, Manlius. John Lischak, East Syracuse. Bobby Schepp, Minoa. Erich Schepp, East Syracuse. Bob Alexander, Minoa. Steve Moore, Kirkville. Pat Allen, Minoa. Scott Taylor, Fayetteville. Chris Bollinger, Fayetteville. Tim Kelly, Fayetteville. David Marnell, Fayetteville. Cheryl Matt, Fayetteville. Mark Matt, Fayetteville. Rachel McClean, East Syracuse. David Bald, Fayetteville. Ericka Bald, Fayetteville. Alex Hebert, Kirkville. Ruth Larson, Minoa. Judith Poltenson, Manlius. Barb Wilson, Chittenango. Nancy Nordheim, Manlius. Brian McAllister, Fayetteville. Vincent Giordano, Manlius. Phil Meloon, Manlius. Dom Valone, Kirkville. Deanna Valone, Kirkville. Eilert Bonk, East Syracuse. Cathy Hough, Fayetteville. Bob Hough, Fayetteville. Ken Knutsen, Fayetteville. Daniel Tyrel, Fayetteville. Linda Egnaczyk, Fayetteville.

Virtual Meeting Attendees: Rob Oley. Jen Mannion. David Scamehorn. Kay Blythe. Michael Masucci. Patricia Bundy. Pilar Lyons. Andy Gallery. Pat Marzola. Sanskar Narang. Mary Karpinski. Dick Geddes. Hugh (Hugh McCurdy per Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy)

2. 6:30 PM - The Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Deer called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Councilor Italiano led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Deer welcomed everyone and thanked all for attending.

3. 6:32 PM – Discussion – Town Hall & Police Department Facility Issues

Supervisor Deer explained that the meeting was being held to discuss the current concerns with Town Hall and the Police Department. The goal of the meeting was to listen to the residents and gather some input on how to move forward with the project. Supervisor Deer advised the public that the board had decided not to move forward with the resolution to place the \$40 million bond on the ballot in November.

Supervisor Deer gave a brief presentation on what has been completed to date as well as some of the concerns that have been raised regarding both facilities. Each Councilor had the opportunity to share with the public their thoughts and concerns with the process to this point.

Councilor Bollinger discussed community engagement and thinking about the future.

Councilor Nicholson spoke in regard to the Police Department and the findings of the last CALEA Assessment. Councilor Nicholson also agrees there should be more community involvement with an advisory committee.

Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy voiced that there needs to be more communication with the community and a more collaborative approach.

Councilor Kriesel does not believe there was enough communication with the community to move forward.

Councilor Nesci voiced the need for more transparency and a committee made up of Town residents and Employees.

Councilor Italiano believes that the residents should have a voice. Councilor Italiano brought up the safety concerns that have been brought forth by employees as well as the conditions of the current Town Hall.

4. 7:45 PM – Public Discussion

Christopher McGee of Manlius inquired about a consulting firm owned by the supervisor.

Carl Kreischel of Kirkville discussed the increase of taxes and rise of assessments. Mr. Kreischel emphasized the importance of unified planning and careful, future-focused spending of taxpayer money.

Ken Wagner of Manlius inquired about the quantifications of needing a new police department and town hall.

Nancy Nordheim of Manlius raised concerns over the divide and lack of communication between board members. Ms. Nordheim request community involvement and clear procedures.

Ken Kirkman of East Syracuse thanked the board for the information. Mr. Kirkman stated he was comfortable with the path moving forward.

Pat Allen of Manlius discussed the incurring interest and requested a full picture of the project so that the residents could be informed of all details.

Andrea Goodwater of Manlius inquired about consolidation of the villages as well as the police department. Ms. Goodwater also inquired about holding meetings of this size at a different location for more space.

Bill Lane of Kirkville inquired about a leasing option.

John Hamilton of Fayetteville discussed a representative government and the lack of trust. Mr. Hamilton also inquired about what would happen with the current Town Hall.

Joan Pelletier of Fayetteville discussed the rise of assessments every year and the cost of living in Manlius.

Dom Valone of Kirkville raised concerns over the tax rate and the increased assessments.

Arnie Poltenson of Manlius discussed the process of consolidating the police department with the villages. Mr. Poltenson also discussed the duplication of services between the town and the villages.

Bruce McClean of Fayetteville discussed the high taxes and the increased assessments. Mr. McClean also inquired about creating a citizen's committee for this project.

Cheryl Matt of Fayetteville discussed the need for transparency on what the needs are of Town Hall and Police Department and not the wants. Ms. Matt also discussed grants and what they could do.

Craig Dudczak of Fayetteville discussed previous meetings and discussions regarding the renovations of the current town building and the need for the police facilities. Mr. Dudczak mentioned more public participation and potential of approaching like the comprehensive plan.

Robin Gilels Aiello of Fayetteville spoke regarding the bond and inquired about doing repairs. Ms. Aiello also spoke regarding assessments.

Michael Masucci of Manlius discussed the future growth of Manlius and offering of more services.

David Marnell of Fayetteville suggested a charrette and more community involvement. Mr. Marnell also inquired about the study that VIP completed.

Rita Ennamorato of Kirkville spoke regarding the villages as well as the increase in assessments.

Matthew Denton of Manlius spoke regarding the use of the word misinformation and the \$40 million bond with interest. Mr. Denton also discussed the increase in taxes and the study that was completed by VIP.

Colin Bernie of Minoa asked if there had been thoughts of remodeling the current Police Station.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilor Italiano and seconded by Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy the Board voted unanimously to adjourn regular session at 9:08 PM.

Ayes: Supervisor Deer, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Nicholson, Councilor Nesci, Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries

Respectfully Submitted by:

Carrie Grevelding
Town Clerk