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**Minutes
Town Board Meeting
August 12, 2026
6:30 PM**

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 Website, and the Town Facebook page.

Supervisor Bollinger presided, and the following Board members were present:

**Brett Edkins, Councilor
Ingrid Gonzalez-McCurdy, Councilor
Alissa Italiano, Councilor
Katelyn M. Kriesel, Councilor
Mike Nesci, Councilor
William Nicholson, Councilor**

The following Town Officers were present: Carrie Grevelding, Town Clerk. Joseph Frateschi, Town Attorney. Jason Cassalia, Chief of Police. Ann Oot, Town Manager. Kay Blythe, Assistant Town Manager. Rob Cushing, Town Highway Superintendent, Bob Hall, Town Highway Deputy Superintendent, Thomas Poitras, Director of Planning and Development, Cris DelFouco, Assessor.

In-Person Attendees: Bruce Frankiewicz, Rochester. Jim Horton, Fayetteville. Shar Horton, Fayetteville. Pat Gottschall, Fayetteville. Mark Matt, Fayetteville. Peter Keith Slack, Fayetteville. Brenda Keith Slack, Fayetteville. Garn Slutzky, Fayetteville. Amy Slutzky, Fayetteville. Darben Füller, Fayetteville. Eilen Krell, Fayetteville. Nikita Jankowski, Syracuse. Alice Massa, Fayetteville. Matt Denton, Manlius. Elizabeth Merrimum, Fayetteville.

Virtual Attendees: Ariana Arsenault. Sue Oliver. Jared Petrosky

Pledge Of Allegiance

Supervisor Bollinger called the meeting to order at 06:29 PM. Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy led the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Bollinger welcomed everyone and thanked all for attending.

Open Podium

Pat Gottschall, of Fayetteville, spoke regarding the recent flooding and water runoff in the area. She inquired about the drainage issues and asked what actions were being taken by the Board and the Town to address the concerns.

Gary Slutzky, of Muirfield, stated that community members had raised concerns early in the process regarding increased runoff and the speed at which water would flow from the site. He expressed concern that the community was not aware that the site would be cleared of vegetation and stated that there was now little to slow the flow of water or prevent mud from moving into surrounding areas.

James Horton, of Fayetteville, shared a photograph depicting the conditions occurring at 5228 Hoag Lane. He stated that the developer had previously advised the Planning Board that there would not be drainage issues and that the retention ponds would address the problem. He also stated that the area at the bottom of the property was not supposed to be cleared and expressed concerns regarding clogged drainage systems.

Darren Fuller of Fayetteville, thanked the Highway Department for its quick response to the recent flooding and drainage concerns. He stated that the issue is ongoing and emphasized that he is not opposed to development, but believes development should be undertaken in a thoughtful and responsible manner.

Eileen Krell of Fayetteville, stated that she has been raising concerns since 2017 regarding drainage and traffic associated with the development. She reiterated that she is not opposed to development but expressed concern that the potential impacts had been known in advance. She described the current conditions as more than a water issue, characterizing them as a mudslide.

Alice Massa of Fayetteville, expressed concerns regarding the removal of vegetation from much of the property and the resulting flooding and mud. She asked about the Town's regulations and requirements intended to protect against flooding, dust, and noise. She questioned why these requirements do not appear to be enforced during the construction process and stated that the damage is occurring during construction.

Elizabeth Merrimum of Fayetteville, stated that she has not experienced flooding on the upstream portion of the area. She questioned why the overflow system was completed before other aspects of the drainage system.

Assessment

1. Assessment Presentation

Assessor DeFuoco gave a presentation on the assessment process.

Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Scenic Byway

1. Resolution supporting the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway Nomination and Corridor Management Plan Adoption

Nakita Jankowski, of Belesai Communications, gave a presentation on the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Scenic Byway and its significance as a New York State Scenic Byway.

Councilor Kriesel made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy, to approve the resolution supporting the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway Nomination and Corridor Management Plan Adoption.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Town Highway Department

Highway Superintendent Cushing recognized Town Highway employee Joe Mapstone on his retirement and acknowledged his 28 years of dedicated service to the Town.

1. Windstream Franchise Agreement

This matter has been tabled for a future meeting.

2. Surplus Equipment

Councilor Italiano made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Nicholson, to declare 4 vehicles and miscellaneous items as presented as surplus to be sent to auction.

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

No Vote: Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Councilor Kriesel stepped out

3. Hoag Lane - Flooding

Director of Planning and Development Thomas Poitras provided a brief update regarding flooding occurring on Hoag Lane. He reported that notices of violation and a stop-work order had been issued. The Town is working with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and has contacted the permit holder regarding the matter.

Mr. Poitras answered questions from members of the public and addressed concerns regarding the Town's noise ordinance. He reported that weekly inspections are being conducted and that an engineer is monitoring the site in accordance with the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

Highway Superintendent Cushing provided an update regarding the piping and retention system. He reported that the piping had become clogged and that the Highway Department had cleaned out approximately 30% of the obstruction. The Department will continue working to clear the system.

4. Highway Garage Bond Renewal

Supervisor Bollinger announced that the Town Highway Department's bond for the Highway Garage Project was scheduled to renew on August 20, 2026, at an interest rate of 3.69%.

Department & Village Liaisons

1. Town Board Assignments

Councilor Edkins made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Italiano, to approve the 2026 Department and Village Liaisons as presented.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Health Insurance

1. Application - Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium

Councilor Nicholson made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy, to approve the resolution to submit an application to join the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium.

Ayes: Supervisor Bollinger, Councilor Edkins, Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy, Councilor

Italiano, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Nesci, Councilor Nicholson

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Town Justice - Appointment of Court Attendants

Jackson Scruggs & Steven Purdy

Councilor Edkins made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Italiano, to appoint Jackson Scruggs as a court attendant with an hourly salary of \$53.56.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Councilor Edkins made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Italiano, to appoint Steven Purdy as a court attendant with an hourly salary of \$53.56.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Request for Proposals

1. Videographer

Councilor Kriesel made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Nicholson, to approve the Request for Proposals for a Videographer and to authorize the Town Clerk to publish the RFP.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Routine Business

1. Budget Items

Councilor Italiano made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Nicholson, to approve the budget adjustments as presented by the Town Comptroller.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Edkins, to approve the budget transfers as presented by the Town Comptroller.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

2. Comptroller Reports

Councilor Italiano made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Nicholson, to authorize the supervisor to sign the comptroller reports for July 2026 as presented.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

3. Announcements

Councilor Nicholson reported that he met with the Village of Manlius and representatives of the USDA regarding the deer management program. The parties discussed entering into an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) with the Town and Village of Fayetteville. The matter is expected to be brought forward for consideration at the September meeting. Councilor Nicholson also acknowledged the Town of Manlius Police Department for achieving New York State accreditation, with the accreditation award ceremony scheduled for September 10.

Councilor Kriesel provided an update on the Town Facility Study Group and announced that members of the group will be present at the fall festivals to provide information and engage with the public regarding the study.

4. Approval of Minutes

Councilor Italiano made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy, to approve the minutes from July 22, 2026 as presented by the Town Clerk.

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

Nayes: None

Abstain: Councilor Kaitlyn Kriesel

Results: Passed

5. Approval of Abstract

Councilor Nicholson made a motion, Seconded by Councilor Italiano, to approve abstract #15 in the amount of \$744,075.75.

TOWN OF MANLIUS		
Fund Summary		
Abstract #15 - 2026		
CODE	FUND	TOTALS
A	General Fund Townwide	\$427,256.21
B	General Fund Part Town	\$7,388.50
DA	Highway Fund Townwide	\$12,826.22
DB	Highway Fund Part Town	\$220,742.70
SL1	Overhead Lighting District	\$1,993.30
SL2	Underground Lighting	\$3,136.60
SL3	Entry Lighting	\$148.10
SL4	Garden Park Lighting	\$944.74
SL5	Ratnour Bridge Lighting	\$3,070.40
SR1	Trash	\$250.99
SR2	Brush	\$250.99
SW3	Skyridge Water District	\$63,925.00
TA2	Trust and Agency - Other	\$2,142.00

Total	\$744,075.75
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Ayes: Supervisor Bollinger, Councilor Edkins, Councilor Gonzalez-McCurdy, Councilor Italiano, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Nesci, Councilor Nicholson

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Results: Passed

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilor Kriesel and seconded by Councilor Nicholson the Board voted unanimously to adjourn regular session at 08:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Carrie Grevelding
Town Clerk