

**TOWN OF SARANAC
BOARD MEETING
January 27, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the presiding officer at the
Town of Saranac Town Hall

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Timothy R. Napper, Supervisor	X	
Michele Petrashune, Councilor	X	
Tracy Eggleston, Councilor	X	
James Terry, Councilor	X	
Conner Perry, Councilor	X	

Also in attendance: Steve McKenzie, Lou Plante, Nick Carter, Lisa Racette, John LaFountain and Crystal Narducci

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **This meeting is being recorded.**
3. **General Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor – none offered**
4. **Correspondence**
 - A. Dannemora library has requested funding assistance. It was decided to ask them to make a presentation to the board as to their needs.
 - B. Recent Webinar – It was advised that Town’s review their prior written notice statutes to make sure that the reporting was clear as to what constitutes sufficient notice. Our local law appears to be complying. Additionally, there is legislation pending to make ambulance service an essential service.
 - C.
5. **Supervisor's Report**
 - A. Presentation on CDBG Grant – Crystal Narducci from Friends of the North Country gave a presentation on proposed block grant. The board agreed to pay the \$1,650 fee for grant writing.
Resolution 19-2025 – Authorization to pay Friends of the North Country \$1,650 for grant writing. Motion by Michele, second by James – All in favor
 - B. CD – Moved most of the \$473,946.25 CD to NY Class.
 - C. FEMA – Received extension on completing the work from the 2023 floods.
 - D. Old Firehouse – Discussion was held as to the future of the old firehouse. It was determined the next step was to get an asbestos study.
 - E. Williamson Contract \$2,400 – The Supervisor complained about the lack of support from Williamson, it appears we are making some progress in rectifying the situation.
 - F. Contract Local Review Board \$300
 - G. Youth Bureau Contract- \$4000
Resolution 20-2025 - Authorizing the Supervisor to sign all three (3) contracts. Williamson contract, Local review board contract and Youth bureau contract. Motion by Tim, second by Michele – All in favor

H. Community Service – Some discussion was held as whether we would be able to allow people to do community service. The board felt it was appropriate to allow it to happen.

I. Executive Session- employment of certain people

Resolution 21-2025 – At 6:30 PM a motion was made by Tim, second by Michele to go into an Executive Session – All in favor

Resolution 22-2025 -At 7:05 PM a motion was made by Tim, second by Michele to reconvene the board meeting. – All in favor

J. Action of Assistant to Assessor – The Supervisor indicated we were fortunate to have some very impressive people apply for the job. The three that were considered are all outstanding individuals, some have more training than others. We will need further discussion with them.

K.

L.

6. Highway

A. Personnel – John LaFountain requested to be considered for the position of foreman. We need to figure out what the job description will consist of. We are hoping to have a decision at the next meeting. Today, Chris Hartigan started on the Redford route.

B. Equipment, Trucks, Paver trailer

Resolution 23-2025 - Authorization for the Highway Superintendent to buy a new paver trailer. Motion by James, second by Tim – All in favor

C. 284 agreements – The tentative list of roads to be paved has been developed and will be finalized at a later date. Some discussion was held as to how many roads we attempt to lower the speed limit on.

D.

7. Reports

A. Town Clerk – **Resolution 24-2025 – Accept the Town Clerks monthly report for the month of December 2024. Motion by James, second by Michele – All in favor**

B. Water districts –

a. Redford-

b. Standish –

c. Saranac –

C. Town Crier –.

D. Tax Collector –

E. Assessor –

F. Code Officer – Renovations have been completed in the Code Officers office.

G. Dog Control Officer – Lou indicated that he continues to deal with the situation on Mountain View Drive.

H. Community Outreach program –

I. Building –

J. Historian –

K. Recreation -

a.

b.

c.

L. Capital projects –

8. **Resolution 25-2025 -Authorization to Pay Audited Warrant dated January 27, 2025. Motion by James, second by Connor – All in favor.**
9. **Resolution 26 -2025 - Accept the minutes of the previous meeting dated January 6, 2025. Motion by Tracy, second by James – All in favor.**
8. **Resolution -2025**
9. **Other**
10. **Unfinished Business**
11. **New Business**
12. **Questions, Comments, Petitions from the Floor – none offered**
13. **Adjournment - @ 7:37 PM – motion by Tracy, second by Connor – All in favor**

**Organizational & Board Meeting February 24, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall
Board Meeting March 24, at 6:00 PM at Town Hall**

Respectfully submitted,



Debbie Pellerin

Town Clerk