

The Town Board Meeting for the Town of Addison was held on Thursday, October 9, 2025, 7:00pm at the Town Hall. The following were present:

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| Supervisor | Jack Thompson - absent |
| Council Member | Alice Weale |
| Council Member | John Lyons |
| Council Member | Joseph Trappler |
| Council Member | Jason Becker |
| Attorney | Vacant |
| Town Clerk | Robin Carr |
| Assessor | Teresa Lyons - absent |
| Hwy Superintendent | Kenny Peoples Jr. |
| Bookkeeper | Linda Austin |

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| Hope Trappler | Stacie Miller | Jeffrey Allington | Doug Cornell |
| David Miller | Douglas Cornell | Janet Thigpen | Marie Myers Shearing |

Deputy Supervisor Lyons called the meeting to order at 7:00pm asking all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Janet Thigpen and Marie Myers Shearing (Steuben County Planning) addressed the board and public about developing a County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Next meeting is in November. Plan can include flooding, heat, cold, insect control, etc. Once plan is complete, they would like all Towns to adopt although it would not obligate them to act. Provided an updated flood map.

APPROVE MINUTES:

- a. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to approve the September 4, 2025 minutes as written.
Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker
Noes: None
- b. Motion by Council Member Becker, seconded by Council Member Weale, to approve the October 2, 2025 minutes as written
Ayes: Weale, Lyons, and Becker
Noes: None
Abstain: Trappler, absent from October 2, 2025 Special Meeting

ORGANIZATION APPOINTMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- a. Assessor – Ag and Senior exemption forms have been mailed and are due by March 1, 2026. These Exemptions have nothing to do with the STAR program. If you get a letter from NY State, fill it out and return it. The Town will gladly fax it for you. Enhanced STAR program (for those over 65) no longer required that both of you are over 65 and is regardless of relationship. Income limit is \$110,750.
- b. Hwy Superintendent – Doug assisted Hornby with chip sealing that completed our shared services with them and we are now even. Widened the corner of John Rial by the shop and shimmed with blacktop. Graded Mose Hill Road again, along with parts of Irish Hill Road and the far end of John Rial and County Route 4. Mowed and cleaned around the shop, organized shop and checked on Gosper Road. Addison Diesel waiting on the check before we can pick it up, met with Dave Buckley, suit kote about

Gosper Road next year. Obtained a quote for a used roller from Brad Price, George & Swede. 2023, low hours, \$90,000 after trade in. Fuel log submitted, used 507.1 gallons of diesel fuel.

c. Town Clerk, Fire/Ambulance, Justice, DCO and Bookkeepers reports were read as submitted. Town Clerk noted that there are currently 32 expired dog licenses. Received report from the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps. Made 3 runs for 10.2 hours, 95 miles and used 9 gallons of fuel. Bookkeeper reported the following collections: Justice - \$2,442.00, Town Clerk – \$393.25, \$19,266.00 from the OSC, and \$2,384.80 in interest over all accounts. Received notice that there are 3 outstanding invoices from 2022 and 2024 totaling \$491.91. CHIPS is increasing \$11,000 for 2026.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Sell Rock Crusher – waiting on an offer from Brett Tuscany.
- b. New Law Requiring .gov – Town Clerk presented the board with quotes from 4 companies. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to enter into a contract with SCT Computers to convert the Town of Addison Website to .gov in compliance with NY State mandate for an amount not to exceed \$3600. Roll Call taken: Lyons – Yes, Weale – Yes, Trappler – Yes, and Becker – Yes, Motion adopted 4-0.
- c. Budget Transfer – Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to Transfer \$4,000.00 from A1410.12 (T/C Deputy) to A1610.413 (Bldg – Website)
Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker
Noes: None
- d. Open Sams Club Account – Association of Towns sponsored towns to Join Amazon Business free of charge for 2 years and anticipates extending the offer annually. Board ok with going with Amazon Business Account in lieu of Sam's Club.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Request from the Mayor, Village of Addison, to waive the cost of copying documents needed for the Village Dissolution Study. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to waive the .25 cents per copy fee.
Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker
Noes: None
- b. Heating the Town Barn – used twice the amount of fuel to heat the Town Barn as we did the previous year. Need to look at ways to conserve fuel. Tabled till next month.
- c. Town Justice requested the Board approve a Municipal Justice Court Security Service Agreement with the County to provide a Deputy Sheriff for court proceedings when she anticipates a case with a violent offender. Board discussed the need for Court Security. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to approve **Resolution #6 of 2025**, allowing the Town of Addison to enter into the Municipal Justice Court Security Services Agreement with the County of Steuben, for one year.
Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker
Noes: None
- d. NYMIR Inspection & Recommendations – Noted 3 items that need to be addressed;
 - a. HWY/DPW Pre-trip Driver Inspection – Board agrees that the daily inspection sheet needs to be completed, Highway Superintendent will implement requirement immediately.
 - b. Hold Harmless Agreement/Certificates of Insurance – Contractors/Service Providers – Board already requires Certificate of Insurance and will add requirement that a Hold Harmless Agreement is signed.
 - c. Building Repairs – Town Hall The exterior stucco finish is breaking away from the building along the upper part of the wall and especially around the perimeter of the walls just above ground level. Board acknowledges the issue and is in the process of

budgeting for the cost and obtaining an estimate with an anticipated date of repair next spring.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. et cetera, September 2025
- b. Village Dissolution Power Point Presentation

OTHER BUSINESS:

Claim Numbers, General Fund Claim, Nos. 143-163, totaling \$11,401.44; Highway DA Fund Claim Nos. 45-47, totaling \$1,420.01; Highway DB Fund Claim Nos. 31-34, totaling \$3,267.15; and Trust & Agency Claim, Nos. 24-29, totaling \$5,439.89, for a Grand Total of \$21,528.49. Motion by Council Member Becker, seconded by Council Member Weale, to pay the bills in their usual manner.

Ayes: Weale, Lyons, and Becker

Noes: None

Abstain: Trappler – conflict of interest

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Becker, to approve the Supervisor Report for September 2025 as presented.

Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker

Noes: None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Council Member Trappler noted that the highway worker, Doug Cornell, attended the meeting. Hope Trappler asked if next months agenda could include removing the trees that were laying down in the cemetery on Maple Street. Highway Superintendent noted that he could only lift it up a few feet.

Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to go out of the Regular Meeting and into a Budget Workshop at 8:20pm.

Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker

Noes: None

Board reviewed the Tentative Budget, currently at 1.516%, with the amount to be raised by taxes at \$461,773.80.

Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to exit the Budget Workshop and back into the Regular Board Meeting.

Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker

Noes: None

Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Becker, to approve **Resolution #5 of 2025**, approving the Tentative Budget for 2026 and schedule a Public Hearing for Thursday, November 6, 2025, 6:00pm, at the Town Hall.

Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker

Noes: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:50pm, the next scheduled meetings will be a Public Hearing on the 2026 Preliminary Budget, Thursday, November 6, 2025, 6:00pm at the Town Hall with the Regular Board Meeting to immediately follow.

Ayes: Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker

Noes: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Carr
Town Clerk

NEXT MEETINGS

PUBLIC HEARING, 2026 Preliminary Budget: Thursday, November 6, 2025, 6pm at the Town Hall

MONTHLY MEETING: Thursday, November 6, 2025, immediately following the Public Hearing at the Town Hall