The Town Board Meeting for the Town of Addison was held on Thursday, August 7, 2025, 7:00pm at the Town Barn. The following people were present:

Supervisor Jack Thompson
Council Member Alice Weale
Council Member John Lyons
Council Member Joseph Trappler
Council Member Jason Becker

Attorney Vacant
Town Clerk
Assessor Teresa Lyons

Hwy Superintendent Kenny Peoples, Jr - absent

Bookkeeper Linda Austin

Jeff AllingtonStacie MillerBeau GrahamBruce VitulliGary AumickSteve HibbardBob NicholsHope Trappler

Kristina Mujica

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Beau Graham, Village Trustee – reported that the village had hired a company to perform a Dissolution Study at a cost of approximately \$126,000. Noted that they had applied for a grant that would cover \$63,000, or roughly half. Company will provide the pros and cons of dissolving the Village so residents can make an informed decision. Also noted that they would like someone from the Town Board to be part of the process even though Town residents, outside the village, don't get a vote. Bob Nichols, County Legislator, updated the board. Noted that the Town of Addison's Workman Comp. cost will be lower by \$250 as cost across the county will also be lower. Stated that the Ambulance in Hammondsport had folded and gave the County all equipment, facilities and cash. County is currently running the facility 24/7. County is also operating in Woodhull, 12 hours, 7 days a week. Suit filed by the Sheriff, suing the County, still pending. County currently spending about \$300,000 a month on Public Support, housing, food, etc.

APPROVE MINUTES:

a. Motion by Council Member Lyons, seconded by Council Member Weale, to approve the July 3, 2025 minutes as written.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons and Becker.

Noes: None

Abstain: Trappler – absent previous meeting

ORGANIZATION APPOINTMENTS: Assessor's term will expire September 30, 2025. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Supervisor Thompson, to re-appoint Teresa Lyons, as the Town's Sole Assessor for a 6 Year Term. Roll Call Taken: Thompson – Yes, Weale – Yes, Lyons – Abstain for conflict of interest, Trappler – Yes, Becker – Yes. Motion Adopted 4-0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

a. Assessor – Working on State report for residents that haven't provided info requested by the State for Enhanced STAR. As of July 31, 2025 everyone must go through the State for all STAR exemptions.

- b. Hwy Superintendent Graded Mose Road, Irish Hill Road and Gosper Road. Started mowing sides of roads but blew a belt (ordered and replaced) Woodhull came over and put water brine on Stapleton Road due to dust complaints so we helped Woodhull chip seal in return. Mowed around shop, cleaned shop and put a driveway extension on for land owner on John Rial Road. Fuel log submitted, fuel usage was 478.9 gallons. Spoke with Western Star our cab and chassis is done, just waiting on final inspection so we can deliver it to Wilbri. Dave at Addison Diesel acquired the needed parts and the truck in currently in the shop being repaired.
- c. Town Clerk, Town Justice, DCO and Bookkeepers reports were read as submitted. Town Clerk noted that there are currently 19 expired dog licenses. Received report from the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps. Made 4 runs for 14.2 hours and used 10 gallons of fuel. Bookkeeper received checks from Town Clerk \$636.50, and Justice \$800.00, County Sales Tax \$36,243.83 (which is down \$2,326.49 from last year), Fire Tax \$2,794.38 to be distributed to the Addison and Campbell Fire Departments, NYS Retirement \$2,131.00, The Keller Group \$1,006.00, and received \$2,938.50 in interest over all accounts. Bookkeeper reported that the Williamson Law Program being used as recommended by NYS Comptroller, is NOT user friendly and manually has to be balanced to match the bank accounts. Town Board all agreed and are open to looking at other accounting programs for Town Business and Reporting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Sell Rock Crusher No update
- **b.** Road Use Agreement for Solar Project No update, but noted that the project has been pushed back by 2 years due to hostile environment towards green energy projects by Federal Government.
- **c.** New Law requiring .gov domain. Obtained approval of TownofAddisonNY.gov domain. Need to find another company that will use our domain and create a WEB page.
- **d.** Rabies Clinic donations Town share of donations was \$303.00. Motion by Supervisor Thompson, seconded by Council Member Trappler, to donate \$151.50 to both the Addison Youth Center and local Girl Scout Troup.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons and Trappler

Noes: None

Abstain: Becker – conflict of interest

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Highway Employee Comp Hours – Council Member Trappler concerned about Comp Hours rolling into the next year and carrying over the liability. Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Becker, that any Comp Hours not used by December 31 of each year will be paid out, no carryover.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons Trappler and Becker

Noes: None

- b. Purchase AED for Highway Department. Received 2 quotes
 - i. ZOLL AED \$1,792.50 (Currently used by the Village and FD
- ii. Cardiac Science G5 \$1,820.50 (Currently used by Addison School District Motion by Council Member Trappler, seconded by Council Member Weale, to purchase the ZOLL AED+ for the Highway Department for up to \$1,792.50. Roll Call Taken: Thompson Yes, Weale Yes, Lyons Yes, Trappler Yes, and Becker Yes. Motion Adopted 5-0.
 - c. Time Clock Town Clerk ordered a time clock with facial recognition, fingerprint, etc.
 - d. FOIL request received FOIL request for all financial documents in 2024 by American Transparency. They requested waiver of .25 cents per copy, estimated cost of \$250, board members denied request. Company withdrew request.

e. Budget Planning – Bookkeeper preparing 2026 budget packets that will be due back NLT September 4, 2025. Asked if any new line items were needed. Adding Cleaner for Town Barn account.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

COMMUNICATIONS: Memo, Suit-Kote – requesting all payments be made by bank transfers. Board decided all payments will continue to be made by check.

APROVE BILLS:

Claim Numbers, General Fund Claim, Nos. 81-121, totaling \$23,674.85; Highway DA Fund Claim Nos. 24-40, totaling \$8,303.61, Highway DB Fund Claim Nos. 13-21, totaling \$71,148.11, and Trust & Agency Claim, Nos. 12-17, totaling \$1,156.00, for a Grand Total of \$104,282.57. Motion by Council Member Lyons, seconded by Council Member Becker, to pay the bills in their usual manner.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, and Becker.

Noes: None

Abstain: Trappler, absent last meeting

SUPERVISOR REPORT: Motion by Council Member Weale seconded by Council Member Lyons, to approve the July 2025 Supervisor Report.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, and Becker.

Noes: None

Abstain: Trappler, absent last meeting

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: Steve Hibbard asked for clarification on whether gravel had been put on Gosper Road or is he going to.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Council Member Weale, seconded by Council Member Trappler, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:19pm, the next scheduled meeting will be Thursday, September 4, 2025, 7:00pm at the Town **Barn**.

Ayes: Thompson, Weale, Lyons, Trappler and Becker.

Noes: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Robin Carr Town Clerk