

**DRAFT: TOWN OF WOODSTOCK**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**May 5, 2026**

Town Offices, 45 Comeau Drive, Woodstock, NY 12498 and via Zoom

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Anula Courtis

Councilmember Laura Ricci

Councilmember Laurie Osmond

Councilmember Lily Korolkoff (via phone for executive session & on Zoom for Public Meeting)

Councilmember Reginald Earls (arrived at 6:35 PM)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Supervisor Courtis called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:33 PM, Supervisor Courtis moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel grievance.

**Seconded by:** Councilmember Ricci

**Motion carried.**

The Board entered Executive Session at 6:34 PM.

During the Executive Session, the Board considered employee grievance from employee #364 and voted to deny the grievance.

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Osmond

Vote:

- Supervisor Courtis — Aye
- Councilmember Ricci — Aye
- Councilmember Osmond — Aye
- Councilmember Earls — Nay

**Motion carried 3–1.**

The Board exited the Executive Session at 7:04 PM.

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Osmond

**Motion carried.**

Supervisor Courtis reopened the public meeting at 7:06 PM.

**MEMBERS OF THE PRESS PRESENT**

Nick Henderson

**RESOLUTIONS ON THE AGENDA**

- Resolution Modifying Officer Start Date
- Resolution Approving Highway Expenditure Report
- Resolution Accepting Resignation of Housing Committee Member
- Resolution Accepting Resignation of Police Dispatcher
- Resolution Accepting Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan

## **PRESENTATION**

### **Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan**

Chloe Leader and Linda Schetchell presented the Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan. The presentation included discussion regarding greenhouse gas reduction goals, with transportation identified as a primary source of emissions. The completed Climate Action Plan is to be submitted by May 22, 2026.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **RESOLUTION 115-2026**

#### **Modifying Officer Start Date**

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Osmond

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board appointed Officer DeStefano as a full-time permanent officer effective December 1, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board desires to amend the effective date of said appointment;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the effective date of the appointment of Officer DeStefano as a full-time permanent officer is hereby changed to April 21, 2026.

Vote:

- Supervisor Courtis — Aye
- Councilmember Ricci — Aye
- Councilmember Osmond — Aye
- Councilmember Earls — Aye

**Resolution adopted 4–0.**

### **RESOLUTION 116-2026**

#### **Approving Highway Expenditure Agreement**

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Ricci

**WHEREAS**, Section 284 of the Highway Law of the State of New York authorizes the Town Board to enter into agreements with the Superintendent of Highways for the expenditure of highway moneys for the purpose of maintaining and improving town highways; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Superintendent of Highways has submitted to the Town Board an agreement pursuant to Section 284 of the Highway Law covering the expenditure of highway moneys during the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has reviewed said agreement and finds it to be in the best interest of the Town;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby approves the agreement for the expenditure of highway moneys pursuant to Section 284 of the Highway Law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Supervisor is authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Town.

Vote:

- Supervisor Courtis — Aye
- Councilmember Ricci — Aye
- Councilmember Osmond — Aye
- Councilmember Earls — Aye

**Resolution adopted 4–0.**

## **RESOLUTION 117-2026**

### **Accepting Resignation of Housing Committee Member**

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Earls

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the resignation of Gregory Stanford as a member of the Housing Committee is hereby accepted, effective April 29, 2026; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Woodstock extends its sincere thanks to Gregory Stanford for his dedication and service to the community.

Vote:

- Supervisor Courtis — Aye
- Councilmember Ricci — Aye
- Councilmember Osmond — Aye
- Councilmember Earls — Aye

**Resolution adopted 4–0.**

## **RESOLUTION 118-2026**

### **Accepting Resignation of Police Dispatcher**

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Earls

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the resignation of Leanne Buchinger from the position of Police Dispatcher is hereby accepted, effective April 20, 2026; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Woodstock extends its sincere thanks to Leanne Buchinger for her dedication and service to the community.

Vote:

- Supervisor Courtis — Aye
- Councilmember Ricci — Aye
- Councilmember Osmond — Aye
- Councilmember Earls — Aye

**Resolution adopted 4–0.**

## **RESOLUTION 119-2026**

### **Accepting the Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan**

**First:** Supervisor Courtis

**Second:** Councilmember Ricci

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Woodstock has developed the Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, said plan outlines strategies and actions to address climate change and promote sustainability within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has reviewed the Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan attached hereto as Attachment A;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Woodstock Community Climate Action Plan, attached hereto as Attachment A, is hereby approved and adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Woodstock.

Vote:

- Supervisor Courtis — Aye
- Councilmember Ricci — Aye
- Councilmember Osmond — Aye
- Councilmember Earls — Aye

**Resolution adopted 4–0.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Urana Kinlen** asked how the Climate Action Plan may impact landlords and whether costs associated with upgrades could affect affordable housing availability.

**Alan Weber** spoke regarding water concerns and referenced recent water testing results. He asked what steps the Town Board has taken in response.

**Rebekah Brooks** spoke regarding Public Access Television and suggested utilizing negotiations with Charter Communications to seek support and funding for upgrades to the Public Access TV station.

**Fanny Prizant** commented on the condition of the parking lot and walkway surrounding the television station at the Community Center.

**Iris York** expressed concerns regarding water quality and requested an update from the Town Board.

**Urana Kinlen** spoke regarding live music venues and requested clarification on the permitting process and the status of recommendations from the related task force.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Supervisor Courtis wished Yvonne a happy birthday.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:40 PM, Supervisor Courtis moved to adjourn the meeting.

**Seconded by:** Councilmember Ricci

All present voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meghann Reimondo  
1st Deputy Town Clerk