

TOWN OF WOODSTOCK
TOWN BOARD BUSINESS MEETING
7:00 PM AUGUST 19TH, 2025
45 COMEAU DRIVE/VIA ZOOM

Supervisor Bill McKenna presiding
Council Members present:

Councilmember Bennet Ratcliff
Councilmember Maria Elena Conte
Councilmember Laura Ricci

Councilmember Courtis - absent

At 7:00pm, Supervisor McKenna called the regular meeting to order. The press was represented by Bill Kemble and Nick Henderson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Councilmember Conte advised of support group for women and transwomen – survivors of domestic abuse.

RESOLUTIONS:

- Accept Town Clerk's Report
- Authorize Payment of Vouchers
- Court Clerk Hire
- Tax Certiorari
- MacDaniel Road Capital
- CHA Consulting Contract
- No Parking Signs

RESOLUTION 156-2025

ACCEPT TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

BE IT RESOLVED, to accept Town Clerk's report.

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye
Councilmember Ricci - aye
Councilmember Ratcliffe – aye
Councilmember Conte – aye

RESOLUTION 157-2025

AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize payment of vouchers in the amount of \$582,824.14.

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye
Councilmember Ricci - aye
Councilmember Ratcliffe – aye
Councilmember Conte – aye

RESOLUTION 158-2025 – Not passed

HIRE COURT CLERK

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

BE IT RESOLVED, to hire Ada Helm as Court Clerk effective September 2nd 2025 at the hourly rate of \$25.69.

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye
Councilmember Ricci - aye
Councilmember Ratcliffe – abstain
Councilmember Conte – abstain

RESOLUTION 159-2025

TAX CERTIORARI.

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

WHEREAS, the Town of Woodstock is a party to an Article 7 tax certiorari proceeding entitled Rubenstein v. Woodstock, bearing Index Nos.: EF2024-1843 and EF2025-2373, in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Ulster; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached a settlement agreement, the terms of which are outlined in the attached consent judgment; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Woodstock has reviewed the terms of the proposed settlement and finds them to be in the best interest of the Town and its taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of Woodstock hereby approves the settlement of the Article 7 tax certiorari matter in the case of Rubenstein v. Woodstock, as set forth in the attached consent judgment. Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the settlement, including but not limited to the consent judgment, and to take any further actions required to finalize the settlement. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye
Councilmember Ricci - aye
Councilmember Ratcliffe – aye
Councilmember Conte – aye

RESOLUTION 160-2025 - Amended

MACDANIEL ROAD CAPITAL

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

WHEREAS Woodstock Town Board Resolution 119-2025 authorized the transfer of up to \$150,000.00 from the Highway Repair Reserve type fund pursuant to permissive referendum, and

WHEREAS the time to file and execute such permissive referendum has expired now, **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** to transfer \$150,000.00 from the highway repair reserve type fund to MacDaniel Road Capital #H02401.105.

Discussion: Councilmember Ratcliff said to only authorize \$25,000, enough to pay the engineers.

WHEREAS Woodstock Town Board Resolution 119-2025 authorized the transfer of up to \$150,000.00 from the Highway Repair Reserve type fund pursuant to permissive referendum, and

WHEREAS the time to file and execute such permissive referendum has expired now, **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** to transfer \$25,000.00 from the highway repair reserve type fund to MacDaniel Road Capital #H02401.105.

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye

Councilmember Ricci - aye

Councilmember Ratcliffe – aye

Councilmember Conte – aye

RESOLUTION 161-2025

APPROVE CHA CONTRACT

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

BE IT RESOLVED, to approve CHA Consulting contract.

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye

Councilmember Ricci - aye

Councilmember Ratcliffe – aye

Councilmember Conte – aye

RESOLUTION 162-2025 – Not Passed

DOT APPROVAL FOR NO PARK SIGNS

Offered by Supervisor McKenna, seconded by Councilmember

BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to forward a request to the NYS DOT to install “No Parking” signs on 2531 Rt. 212 and 2535 Rt. 212 (Big Deep).

All voted 5-0: Supervisor McKenna - aye
Councilmember Ricci - aye
Councilmember Ratcliffe – abstained
Councilmember Conte – abstained

Public Be Heard:

Rebecca Turmo
Miichael Platsky
Iris York

Town Clerk, Jacquelyn Earley, advised the Board she was appointing Meghann Reimondo as first Deputy beginning September 8, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacquelyn E. Earley, RMC, Town Clerk