August 14, 2025 Town of Afton Chenango County

Present at our regular meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence, Councilmen Jamie Baciuska, Chris Warren, Robert Tallmadge and Calvin Tallmadge; Highway Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; DCO Amy Cross; Sanitation Officer Bailey DeBetta. Absent: Caitlyn Brown, Assessor and Mel Hager, Historian.

Visitors: see list

Bills and Claims:

General Fund, Abstract no 8 Claim no 107 – 121, totaling \$41,807.67 Highway Fund, Abstract no 8 Claim no 78 – 89, totaling \$141,706.80

Regular Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with the salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept Minutes of July 10, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried. Motion to pay bills and claims. Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Communications:

- 1/ Received four letters opposing the Apple Tree Lane Glamping proposal, from having the Planning Board Public Meeting on July 21, 2025.
- 2/ Chenango County tax sale will be September 13, 2025

Committee:

- 1/ Assessor, absent
- 2/ Finance, reports distributed and filed
- 3/ Sanitiation, Bailey mentioned that he has been receiving calls about septic systems.
- 4/ Highway, Kirk reported that shimming has been completed. There was road repairs made on Hunt Road. The hwy dept has been helping out the Bainbridge and Guilford Hwy Depts.
- 5/ DCO, Amy received the chip scanner. The training will be November 12th & 13th in Guilderland.
- 6/ Building, Robert asked about the stripes for the parking lot, we are getting an estimate from Quality One SealCoating.
- 7/ Historian, absent
- 8/ Clerk, insurance renewals were in the meetings package, Annual estimates for budget were handed out.

Old Business:

- 1/ Game of Chance Law, this requires a "Mandatory Referendum" Being worked on for next year vote.
- 2/ Received notice that the Town Planning Board has written to the land owner in response to the Planning Board Public meeting of July 21, 2025.

New Business:

- 1/ Survey has been requested on the abandoned property on Bettsburg/Terry Road, Town of Afton. Paul Koerts, Surveyor priced the survey at \$5,000 with prevailing wage. Motion made to go forward with the survey. Motion made by Chris Warren, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor motion so carried.
- 2/ St Agnes Church is selling tables and padded folding chairs with rack. Price of \$1,080. Motion to offer price of \$900.00 for the tables and chairs. Motion made by Calvin Tallmadge, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.
- 3/ Town of Colesville, approached John Lawrence about purchasing The Wagner Lumber Property located on County Rd 26, Town of Afton. If it was to be removed from the tax roll. To wait and see if their purchase price is excepted.
- 4/ Pilot with Afton CSG LLC solar plan, changes might be made With downsizing. Will need to see the new plans.
- 5/ Proposing that a smart lock be placed on the entrance door to the Town hall. To get pricing.

Recognition of Visitors

Question asked on training of Planning Board.

Honorable Don Ouimet mentioned that there might be one more trial jury before the end of the year. Also, they have been working on the bail bond account.

Tammy Stevens, AYSO, thank you to the Town for use of the field. It was mentioned that the Afton Fair was a great event, thank you to Jason.

Motion to adjourn at 7:18 pm. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuska. All in favor, motion so carried.

Respectfully,

Sandra D Reiling, Clerk of the Board.