

October 9, 2025  
Town of Afton  
Chenango County

Present at our regular meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Jamie Baciуска, Chris Warren and Robert Tallmadge; Highway Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; Absent: Calvin Tallmadge, Councilman; DCO Amy Cross, Bailey DeBetta, Sanitation and Melanie Hager, Historian

Visitors: see sign in sheet

**Bills and Claims:**

General Fund, Abstract no 10  
Claim no 134 – 146, totaling \$10,738.14  
Highway Fund, Abstract no 10  
Claim no 100 – 108, totaling \$120,016.20

Regular meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept minutes of September 11, 2025 Board Meeting. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciуска. All in favor, motion so carried.  
Motion to pay bills and claims. Motion made by Jamie Baciуска, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

**Communications:**

- 1/ An Open Letter was given to the Board Supervisor, passed on to the Town Board
- 2/ Received the resignation of Mr Cliff Olin as Chairman of the Town Planning Board.
- 3/ Received a letter from NYS Insurance Fund, return of premium award.

**Committee Reports:**

- 1/ Assessor, Welcome new Assessor Faline Ward, started 10/7/2025  
New phone line has been put in. Report distributed and filed.
- 2/ Finance, report distributed and filed
- 3/ Sanitation, absent
- 4/ Highway, Kirk mentioned that the 2025 Dodge Dump with plow has come in. He also asked to place the 2019 Ford F550 with plow and sander, with Auctions International web site. Board has no problem with the request.

Motion to place 2019 Ford F550 with Auctions International, made by Chris Warren, seconded by Jamie Baciуска. All in favor, motion so carried.  
Highway Dept has been cutting brush, and helped Town of Coventry with roads.  
Contract with Cintas has been cancelled.

5/ DCO, report distributed and filed.

6/ Building, Robert asked about the lines for the parking lot, It cannot be done this year, hopefully next year. Robert also mentioned that the Town Hall entry way will be fixed by the highway department.

7/ Historian, report distributed and filed.

8/ Town Clerk, 2026 Tentative Budget was given to the Board, next month Public hearing for the Town's budget. Motion for RFP. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciуска.

New Assessor, Faline Ward, would like to purchase a new laptop with monitor and USB hub in the amount of \$970, and request of the previous assessor, Caitlyn Brown to purchase the laptop from the Town that she has been using. Motion to approve the purchase of the laptop with accessories \$970. and sell the current laptop for the price of \$181. Motion made by Jamie Baciуска, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Received request from Chenango County Real Property, if and changes will be made to the current Senior Citizen Exemption Income Level for the Town of Afton. Motion made that there have been no changes to the income levels. Motion made by John Lawrence, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

#### Old Business:

- 1/ Afton CSG LLC PILOT program, waiting to hear from Hayley Effler of Dimension Energy.
- 2/ Town Hall entrance repairs of concrete, only received one bid, Not opened and cancelled. See Building notes.

#### New Business:

- 1/ Request to create a Comprehensive Plan for the Town of Afton. To table for next month. Proceed with a special committee.
- 2/ Request to create a Game of Chance Law. Tyler Lawrence spoke for the Village of Afton on this request. Asking to work with the Town on this law. Form a committee with Village and Town. John Lawrence, Sandra Reiling and Linda Matthews from the Village.



3/ Budget adjustment required for the 2025 Budget:

Dog Control Contractual no A3510.4, \$1,000, from Contingency A1990.4

Medical Center Contractual no A4560.4 \$1,000, from Contingency A1990.4

Hwy Improve Contractual no DB5112.2 \$646.71, from Hwy Repairs

Contractual no DB5110.4. Motion to approve the 2025 budget adjustments. Motion made by Jamie Baciуска, seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Recognition of visitors:

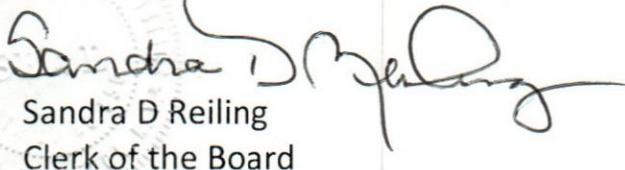
Thank you given to the Highway Dept for work done on Algerine Street.

Planning Board, opting out of the training, resolution or law? To check with the Town Attorney.

Town Board to review 2026 Preliminary Budget. Motion for RFP for November public hearing for 2026 Budget. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciуска. All in favor, motion so carried.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:10 pm. Motion made by Jamie Baciуска, seconded by Chris Warren. All in favor, motion so carried.

Respectfully,



Sandra D Reiling  
Clerk of the Board

