

**Town of Eaton, Madison County, NY Regular Monthly Meeting
August 11th, 2026**

**Eaton Town Council Regular Board Meeting Minutes,
Tuesday, August 11th, 2026 at 6:00 pm
Town of Eaton Office Building, 35 Cedar Street, Morrisville, New York, there were
present:**

Joseph Wicks, Supervisor
Jeff Golley, Councilmember
Dave Verne, Councilmember
Stephen Dickerson, Councilmember
Jean Hilts, Councilmember
Dean Curtis, Town Clerk

Also present: Celeste Amaral, Carol Borg, Becky Rochin, Ken Masker, Julia Monahan, Clyde & Jamie Benedict

Call to order & Welcome: The Meeting opened at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT (5 min):

Carol Borg – reminder that 8/15/26, at Madison Hall, the Madison County Federation of Lakes Association and the Madison County Water Quality Coordinating Committee are sponsoring a septic education event. Featured speakers are Steve Lorraine (S&WCD) and Jim Cunningham (Madison County Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Town Supervisor for Town of Nelson). Time is 10-12. Notices will be sent to town offices, town supervisors, lake associations. All interested parties are welcome.

Celeste Amaral - gave update on health of the Lake

Becky Rochin – Gave update on lakes, thanked Highway Superintendent Phillips for fixing the Ditches and Culverts on Westcott

Ken Masker –

- Westcott Speed Study Data
- Short Term Rental Information from County
- Wants to Lower the Speed to 25 mph on Westcott
- Gave update on Lake Clarity
- Water not safe for consumption and Blue/Green Algae update

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING:

CODES OFFICER REPORT:

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**Town of Eaton
Codes Officer Report
07/01/2026 - 07/31/2026**

Type	Date	Comment	Name	Fee
Boundary Line Chng	07/30/2026	5302 Pugh Rd	Jones, Shawn	50.00
Special Permit	07/02/2026	4495 Cramer Rd	Dutchers Inc	175.00
Building Permit	07/07/2026	#27-26 3221 McQueen Rd	Kent, Laura	217.40
Building Permit	07/29/2026	#44-25 21x11 Garage	MacBain, Carol	174.65
Building Permit	07/29/2026	#32-26 2270 Bradley Brk Rd	Sterle, Jill & Dan	443.60
Building Permit	07/29/2026	#07-26 37x40 Garage – elect	Woodcock, Mike	60.00
Demo Permit	07/06/2026	#26-26 2885 Saunders Lane	Goldberg, Seth	110.00
Demo Permit	07/14/2026	#31-26 4874 State Route 26	Thurston, Cynthia	110.00
Demo Permit	07/16/2026	#33-26 4973 Eatonbrook Rd	Girard, Jennifer	110.00
Fence Permit	07/09/2026	#29-26 2359 Cookshore Rd	Haag, Peter	50.00
Fence Permit	07/09/2026	#29-26 Camp Road	Haag, Peter	50.00
Fence Permit	07/30/2026	#35-26 Retaining Wall	Ulatowski, Chris	50.00
Pool Permit	07/09/2026	#30-26 5181 Eatonbrook Rd	Mayette, Chris	110.00
		Total		\$1,760.65

TOWN CLERKS REPORT:

- July 2026 is Reconciled with Williamson and Community Bank
- Digital Towpath Website almost ready

TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

TOWN OF EATON, NEW YORK

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TO THE SUPERVISOR:

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Pursuant to Section 27, Subd 1 of the Town Law, I hereby make the following statement of all fees and moneys received by me in connection with my office during the month stated above, excepting only such fees and moneys the application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by Law:

A1255

<u>6</u>	DECALS	<u>18.25</u>
<u>6</u>	MARRIAGE LICENSES NO. 26006 TO 26011	<u>105.00</u>
<u>2</u>	MARRIAGE OFFICIANTS NO. 000005 TO 000006	<u>50.00</u>
<u>5</u>	MARRIAGE CERTIFIED CPY	<u>50.00</u>

TOTAL TOWN CLERK FEES 223.25

A1603

<u>15</u>	DEATH CERTIFIED COPIES	<u>150.00</u>
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TOTAL A1603 150.00

A2544

<u>83</u>	DOG LICENSES	<u>1,104.00</u>
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TOTAL A2544 1,104.00

B2115

<u>1</u>	SPECIAL PERMIT	<u>175.00</u>
<u>1</u>	BOUNDARY LINE CHANGE	<u>50.00</u>

TOTAL B2115 225.00

B2555

<u>4</u>	BUILDING PERMIT	<u>895.65</u>
<u>1</u>	BUILDING PERMIT RENEWAL	<u>50.00</u>
<u>3</u>	DEMOLITION PERMIT	<u>330.00</u>
<u>3</u>	FENCE PERMIT	<u>150.00</u>
<u>1</u>	POOL PERMIT	<u>110.00</u>

TOTAL B2555 1,535.65

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DISBURSEMENTS

PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL FUND	<u>1,477.25</u>
PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR PART TOWN FUND	<u>1,760.65</u>
PAID TO NYS DEC FOR DECALS	<u>616.75</u>
PAID TO NYS ANIMAL POPULATION CONTROL PROGRAM	<u>125.00</u>
PAID TO NYS HEALTH DEPT FOR MARRIAGE LICENSES	<u>135.00</u>
PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR LOCAL ANIMAL SHELTER	<u>35.00</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	4,149.65

RESOLUTION 2026- 87 : Acceptance of Minutes – July 14th, 2026

On a motion of Councilmember Golley, seconded by Councilmember Verne, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Resolved that the minutes for Town Board Meeting on July 14th, 2026 be accepted.

HIGHWAY REPORT:

- Bids for RFP on Town Highway Salt Dome Repair
- Modifications to Highway Budget lines (DA) Town Wide and (DB) Town Outside Village - under New Business

SUPERVISOR REPORT:

RESOLUTION 2026- 88 : Approval of August 11th, 2026 Supervisor Report

On a motion of Councilmember Dickerson, seconded by Councilmember Hilts, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0
Resolved that the Supervisor Report Submitted on August 11th, 2026 is accepted and approved

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OLD BUSINESS:

- Pinewoods Cemetery
- 85 Cedar Street
- Town Park
- Windmills Update – IDA public hearing August 25th, 2026 5:00 – 6:30 pm Town Building

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2026- 89 : Abandonment of Brooklyn Street Amended

On a motion of Councilmember Verne, seconded by Councilmember Golley, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

TOWN OF EATON

TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION 2026 - 89

August 11, 2026

**AMENDED RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ABANDONMENT OF
A PORTION OF BROOKLYN STREET IN THE TOWN OF EATON**

WHEREAS, at the July 14, 2026 meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Eaton a resolution titled “A Resolution Regarding the Abandonment of a Portion of Brooklyn Street in the Town of Eaton” was adopted, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined it to be in the best interest of the Town of Eaton to amend such Resolution to correct the length of Brooklyn Street being abandoned.

The following resolution was offered by Councilmember Verne, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilmember Golley, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Town of Eaton Highway Superintendent, Larry Phillips, reports that an approximately 350 foot (0.06 miles) long portion of Brooklyn Street (beginning at the intersection of

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Brooklyn Street and New York State Route 26 and continuing in a westerly direction to the Chenango River) has not been opened and/or worked for at least the last six (6) years; and

WHEREAS, New York State Highway Law Section 205 allows a Town Highway Superintendent to abandon a road that has not been opened and/or worked for at least six (6) years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Eaton finds that an approximately 350-foot (0.06 miles) long portion of Brooklyn Street (beginning at the intersection of Brooklyn Street and New York State Route 26 and continuing in a westerly direction to the Chenango River) has not been opened and/or worked for at least six (6) years and under New York State Highway Law Section 205 is abandoned; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby approves the filing of a Certificate of Abandonment by the Town of Eaton Highway Superintendent, which shall also be signed by the Town Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk of the Town of Eaton shall have the attached Legal Notice ("Notice of Filing of Certificate of Abandonment") on the said abandonment of an approximately 350-foot (0.06 miles) long portion of Brooklyn Street (beginning at the intersection of Brooklyn Street and New York State Route 26 and continuing in a westerly direction to the Chenango River) published once in the official newspaper of the Town of Eaton and place same on the Town's official signboard as required by law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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David Verne	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jean Hilts	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Stephen Dickerson	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeff Golley	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Joseph Wicks	Supervisor	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

DATED: August 11, 2026

Filed with Andrea Hitchings at Madison County and Posted Legal Ad with Oneida Daily Dispatch on August 12, 2026 NY0185266

RESOLUTION 2026- 90 : Opening of Bids for RFP on Town Highway Salt Dome

On a motion of Councilmember Dickerson, seconded by Councilmember Hilts, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Resolved that Town of Eaton Opened the RFP by Amy Will. Clerk Dean Curtis and Dave Holbert from Pulver Roofing Co. Inc.– only 1 bid came in from Pulver Roofing Co. Inc. for \$97,000 the bid was read aloud at 12:00 pm at the Town Building Thursday August 6th 2026, No further action has been taken.

RESOLUTION 2026- 91 : Modification of the 2026 Highway - Town Outside Village (DB) Operating Budget

On a motion of Councilmember Golley, seconded by Councilmember Verne, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - 91

OF THE TOWN OF EATON COUNCIL

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE

2026 HIGHWAY - TOWN OUTSIDE VILLAGE (DB)

OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Town of Eaton participates in the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) administered through the New York State Department of Transportation, and

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WHEREAS, the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program reimburses municipalities for its local cash expenditures made for highway-related capital projects, subject to specific requirements, and

WHEREAS, based on the New York State Department of Transportation's CHIPS apportionment, the Town under budgeted the amount available to the municipality in the amount of \$19,714.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Eaton that the 2026 Highway - Town Outside Village (DB) Operating Budget is hereby amended to modify revenue and expenditure budget lines DB3501 and DB5112.2 as follows:

Account No.	Description	Debit	Credit
DB3501	State Aid, Consolidated Highway Aid		\$19,714.00
DB5112.2	CHIPS Outlay	\$19,714.00	

RESOLUTION 2026- 92 : Modification of the 2026 Highway -Townwide (DA) Operating Budget

On a motion of Councilmember Hiltz, seconded by Councilmember Golley, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - 92

OF THE TOWN OF EATON COUNCIL

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MODIFICATION OF THE
2026 HIGHWAY - TOWNWIDE (DA) OPERATING BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the 2021 Western Star was involved in two accidents in early 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Eaton received reimbursement in the amount of \$5,294.11 from New York Central Mutual Insurance Company and \$29,422.69 from New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal for the necessary repairs; and

WHEREAS, this unanticipated revenue was not included in the 2026 Highway – Townwide (DA) Operating Budget, and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Eaton that the 2026 Highway – Townwide (DA) Operating Budget is hereby amended to modify revenue and expenditure budget lines G2680, G8110.4-3 and G8130.4 as follows:

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Account No.	Description	Debit	Credit
DA2680	Insurance Recoveries		\$34,716.80
DA5130.4	Machinery Contractual	\$34,716.80	

RESOLUTION 2026- 93 : Budget Transfers/Amendments

On a motion of Councilmember Verne, seconded by Councilmember Dickerson, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Resolved that the Board grant authority to Supervisor Wicks to move monies within 2026 Budget to keep all lines in balance:

<u>Appropriation Over Budget</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Transfer From</u>
A1420.4 (Attorney Contractual)	\$1,700.00	A1990.4 (Contingency)

RESOLUTION 2026- 94 : Audit of Claims for Abstract 8 for 2026 dates.

On a motion of Councilmember Golley, seconded by Councilmember Verne, the following resolution was: ADOPTED: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #8 - 2026 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Audit and approval of Bills

Abstract 8 – 2026

General A Fund	No.	98	through	107	\$ 4,470.01
General B Fund Part Town	No.	29	through	32	\$ 839.77
General H – Capital Machine	No.	3	through	3	\$ 800.00
Street Lighting SL	No.	8	through	8	\$ 583.91
Highway Fund Townwide DA	No.	57	through	66	\$ 8,211.68
Highway Fund Part Town DB	No.	21	through	25	\$ 393,280.54
			Total		\$ 408,185.91

With no further business, on a motion of Councilmember Dickerson, seconded by Councilmember Golley, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Dean Curtis, Town Clerk/Tax Collector