
Town of Angelica – PUBLIC HEARING

Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2026

Location: Angelica Grange Hall, Meeting Room, 55 Park Circle Angelica NY
Time: Meeting called to order at **6:15 PM**
Presiding: Supervisor Girard Kelly
Recorder: Pamela L. Cockle, Town Clerk

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Kelly called the Public Hearing to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Attendance

Board Members Present:

- Supervisor Girard Kelly
- Councilmembers: Jeremy Metatos, William Weaver, Brian Jones.
- Town Clerk: Pamela Cockle

Public Members Present: Rob Ford, D.Haggstrom, J. Ruschak, J. Uttaro, C. Stevenson, A. Rifenberg, A. Mountain, G. Starck, J. Cassady, S. Chan

3. Public Hearing was opened by Supervisor Kelly @ 6:15 p.m.

Supervisor Kelly gave a general overview of the proposed 2027 Town of Angelica budget. The total proposed budget totals \$1,844,610, less estimated revenues of \$1,317,353 and \$336,817 in unexpended fund balance, leaving the amount to be raised by property taxes at \$190,440. A decrease of 6.8% per thousand over the 2026 budget.

The public hearing addressed the proposed 2027 town budget, reported at \$1,844,610, a decrease of \$142,760 from the prior year. Officials cited higher retirement and health-insurance costs, offset in part by Hyland tipping-fee revenue

- Several items are increasing in cost this year. Most notably, NYS Retirement is increasing over 21% for Tier 4 members (Town of Angelica has 2) and Health insurance costs are increasing by 11.44%
- The central fiscal outcome presented was a planned tax-rate reduction: townwide rate (General and Highway) from \$1.9156 to \$1.2817 per \$1,000; the outside village rate was also said to decline by \$0.36 per \$1,000 from .7101 to .3507, and the fire-district rate from \$0.3524 to \$0.2685.

Supervisor Kelly asked each Board member if they had any concerns/questions and all responded no, they did not.

The preliminary budget booklet was then reviewed page by page, line by line, Fund by Fund with no questions during the review.

Supervisor Kelly thanked the Board member, BBS Accounting, and Town Staff for their work on the 2027 budget and noted that this is the largest tax decrease in the Town of Angelica he has seen.

4. Public Comment

The Floor was then opened up to the Public. Casey Jones was the only member of the public that had questions/spoke.

Mr. Jones challenged the town's use of fund balance and argued that more could be applied to reduce taxpayer charges. It is his personal opinion the town should not be taxing homewonders at all. Officials defended retaining reserves as protection against a future loss of Hyland tipping fee revenue and said they relied on professional accounting advice in making their decision.

Board members reiterated that if adopted as presented, the budget would lower the stated tax rates while funding planned services and costs. The discussion emphasized that Hyland tipping fees help make the reductions possible and reduce the burden on local taxpayers.

The Town Board will vote on the preliminary budget later this evening at it's regularly scheduled Town Board meeting scheduled for 7 p.m.

5. Adjournment

W. Weaver made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing on the 2027 Budget, Seconded by B. Jones. Public Hearing adjourned at 6:35 PM

Respectively Submitted:

Pamela L. Cockle, Town Clerk

Town of Angelica

AGENDA FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON 2027 BUDGET
ANGELICA TOWN BOARD
OCTOBER 12, 2026 @ 6:15 P.M.

- 1. Call to Order and Opening of Public Hearing by Supervisor Kelly
- 2. Summary of 2027 Budget: \$1,844,610

CODE	FUND	APPROPRIATIONS AND PROVISIONS FOR OTHER USES	LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES	LESS UNEXPENDED BALANCE	AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAX
A	GENERAL	584,060.00	172,153.00	336,817.00	75,090.00
B	GENERAL OUTSIDE VILLAGE	10,900.00	10,900.00	0.00	0.00
DA	HIGHWAY-TOWNWIDE	615,500.00	555,500.00	0.00	60,000.00
DB	HIGHWAY-OUTSIDE VILLAGE	567,450.00	537,450.00	0.00	30,000.00
SPECIAL DISTRICTS: (LIST EACH SEPARATELY)					
	Fire District	66,700.00	41,350.00	0.00	25,350.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTALS		1,844,610.00	1,317,353.00	336,817.00	190,440.00

- 3. Public Comments/Questions
- 4. Public Hearing Closed and Meeting Adjourned

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