

Hinsdale Town Board

Meeting Minutes

February 9, 2026

I. Call to order:

Supervisor Duchesne called to order the Regular meeting of the Hinsdale Town Board at 7:00pm on February 9, 2026 at the Town Board Room. The Pledge was recited.

II. Roll call:

The following persons were present: Deborah Duchesne – Supervisor- Ronald Brown, Gerald Maerten, Daniel Adams and Joseph Noll- Board members, Ann Carr- Town Clerk, Jeremy Guthrey- Hwy Superintendent, Linda Whitton, Shelly Fye, Michael Dutton and Erinne Keim- Resident

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Clerk Carr presented the minutes from the January meeting. The minutes were approved as presented by a **motion** from Councilman Brown. Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes All.

IV. Supervisor's Report:

- a) Supervisor Duchesne presented **Resolution # 22 of 2026**, that the Court Audit records have been duly examined and the fines have been turned over to the proper officials of the town as required by law. Motion made to accept **Resolution # 22 of 2026** made by Councilman Maerten. Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all
- b) Supervisor Duchesne presented **Resolution #23 of 2026**, that the Town Clerks Audit records have been duly examined and the money collected has been turned over to the proper officials as required by law. Motion to accept **Resolution # 23 of 2026** made by Councilman Maerten. Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all.
- c) The Town has received the NYS 2025 4th quarter sales tax distribution.
- d)

V. Highway Supt. Report:

- a) The walls for the Salt Storage Project have been received. Site engineering has been completed. The DEC has approved the Project. The Town now has a signed Contract.

- b) **Motion** to approve a faceplate and console box for the Supervisors new pickup truck for \$391.68 made by Councilman Maerten. Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all.
- c) With the cold and snow that we have been having there has been quite a bit of overtime in the Highway Dept.
- d) A grant for \$860,000 has been approved for the Jollytown Culvert project.

VI. Budget Officer:

- a) The Town's insurance bill has been increasing significantly every year. It was recommended to think about shopping around for insurance in the future.
- b) Budget to actual for January 2026 has been received.

VII. Town Clerk's Report: Received January 2026

VIII. Justice Report: Received Town's share for December 2025 and Fines for January 2026

IX. Dog Control Report: None Received

X. Code Enforcement Report: Received January 2026

XI. Water Dept. Report: Received January 2026

XII. Assessor: Received January 2026

- a) All Agriculture and Senior exemptions applications are due by March 1, 2026

XIII. Open issues

- a) It was brought to the Boards attention that Propane cannons can only be used in the Agriculture district. There were some complaints last year about a propane cannon being used and it has now been found that it is not in the Agriculture district. Any Complaints should be filed with the agriculture development board.

XIV. New business

- a) Superintendent Duchesne asked the Board to form a committee to look into quotes for propane companies. Councilman Brown said he would look into it.
- b) The Town is looking into changing our internet and phone package.

- c) There was a complaint about a trailer at the Mobile home Park at 3088 Rt. 16.
- d) There have been some issues with 2 dogs on Smith Hollow rd. The Dog Control officer has issued tickets but the owner won't keep them on his property.
- e) There is a new website name for the Town it will now be www.townofhinsdaleny.gov
- f) The Town is looking into changing our internet and phone package with Spectrum.

XV. Public Comment: Erinne Keim from the Youth Commission addressed the Board on Getting some help with the Gile Hollow Park. There were many acts of Vandalism last year at the park. Our snack shack was broken into many times with merchandise belonging to the Youth Commission being stolen. Some things that were brought up were: The snack shack needs a new door. The graffiti on the machinery shed needs to be painted over. Would it be possible for the Town to put some type of surveillance cameras down there to deter the break ins. The Board said they would look into to see what could be done.

Also would the Town was to look into putting a railing on the north side of the park to deter people from running their vehicles on the grass and ruining the turf. Hwy. Supt. Guthrie said he would talk to the County about the railing.

XVI. Motion to approve the bills of the February Abstract made by Councilman Brown Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all.

General Fund Claims: 21 thru 44 - \$78,211.28

Highway Fund Claims: 18 thru 33 -\$70,893.18

Water Fund Claim: 6 thru 11 - \$ 1,926.07

XVII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Councilman Noll. Seconded by Councilman Maerten. Ayes all.

Supervisor Duchesne adjourned the meeting at 8:04 pm.

Next Meeting March 09, 2025 at 7:00pm

Minutes submitted by: Ann L Carr

Minutes approved by: