

Hinsdale Town Board

Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2026

I. Call to order:

Supervisor Duchesne called to order the Regular meeting of the Hinsdale Town Board at 7:00pm on May 11, 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, Stephen Clute- Historian & Historical Society President. Mark & Shelly Folland, Marilyn Reynolds, James Conrad- residents

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting:

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

IV. Supervisor's Report:

- a) The Sales tax was received for the first quarter, \$134,531.72.
- b) Motion to pay Burke Signs for the Highway sign and installation made by Councilman Maerten. Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all
- c) The town is in the process of researching Constibles, Peace Officers and Part Time police. What the cost would be and how may affect our insurance. At this point it does not seem feasible but more research needs to be done.
- d) The roof is leaking in the Town building storage area and in the Main office area upstairs.
- e) Motion to remove part time employee Ethan Miller made by Councilman Maerten. Seconded by Councilman Adams. Ayes all

V. Motion to approve Resolution # 24 of 2026 To Adopt the 2025 Cattaraugus County Multi-Jurisdictional Plan Update made by Councilman Noll. Seconded by Councilman Adams. Ayes all and reads as follows:

TOWN OF HINSDALE RESOLUTION NO. 24-2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF HINSDALE ADOPTING THE 2025 CATTARAUGUS COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL PLAN UDATE.

WHEREAS, the Hinsdale Town Board recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within Town of Hinsdale; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hinsdale has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as 2025 Multi-jurisdictional Plan Update in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Cattaraugus County 2025 Multi-jurisdictional Plan Update identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the Town of Hinsdale from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Hinsdale Town Board demonstrates their commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the Cattaraugus County 2025 Multi-jurisdictional Plan Update.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF HINSDALE, NEW YORK, THAT:

Section 1. In accordance with New York State Municipal Home Rule Law Section 10, Hinsdale Town Board adopts the Cattaraugus County 2025 Multi-jurisdictional Plan Update. This plan, approved by the community, may be edited or amended after submission for review, but will not require the community to re-adopt any further iterations. This only applies to this specific plan and does not absolve the community from updating the plan in 5 years.

ADOPTED by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against, and 0 abstaining, this 11th day of May, 2026.

By: _____

Deborah Duchesne, Town Supervisor

ATTEST: By: _____

Ann L. Carr, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: By:

Ann La Carr, Town Clerk

VI. Highway Supt. Report:

- a) The walls to the Salt Storage Building are up. The DEC set the elevation 2 feet higher than planned. Extra gravel will be needed; however, it should still be well within budget.
- b) There will be a meeting with the Highway Supt. Budget Officer and Tyler Parr, District Field manager for the County Water Conservation District about The Jollytown project.

VII. Budget Officer:

- a) Budget to actual for April 2026 has been received.
- b) The Town Board needs to monitor the Salt Storage Building Expenses and make sure that they are submitted to Catt. Co. Water and Soil timely in order to receive the Grant funding
- c)

VIII. Town Clerk's Report: Received April 2026

IX. Justice Report: Received Town's share for March 2025 and Fines for April 2026

X. Dog Control Report: None Received

XI. Code Enforcement Report: April Received.

XII. Water Dept. Report: Received April 2026

XIII. Assessor: Received April 2026.

- a) The Equalization rate has dropped to 57%
- b) The Board of Assessment Review will be at the Town Hall on May 28 from 4 to 8pm.

XIV. Open issues

- a) The Town has a Noise Law not ordinance and Town Law on Noise is in the process of being revised. Ther DEC has been called to see if they can help. Also, the Town will be involving the Town Lawyer.

XV. New business:

- a) The town is looking into a quote from Orkin to add the Office building for vermin and bug control.

XVI. Public Comment:

- a) Stephen Clute Historian asked the Board if a metal street type sign could be put up in the Crosby park by the road, As the main sign will be facing the church and firehall. Councilman Brown will look into it.
- b) Historian Clute asked Supervisor Duchesne if the Town could copy 25 copies of a book about the Allegany River for the Historical Society. The Supervisor asked Clerk Carr to take care of it.
- c) Historian Clute also asked if he could get quotes to change the furnace in the Historical building to natural gas. The Board authorized him to go ahead so that they could try to put it in next year's budget.
- d) A resident complained about the litter on the sides of the roads and asked if no littering signs could be put up.
- e) A resident complained that the highway Dept. while cutting back vegetation from the side of the road cut down some very old bushes and trimmed tree in the yard that did not need trimming. They asked to please have some consideration when trimming in front of people's houses. The Highway Supt. said he would look into it.
- f) A couple of residents attended to see if there was any progress with the Noise law.

**XVII. Motion to approve the bills of the May Abstract made by Councilman Brown
Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all.**

General Fund Claims: 88 thru 113 - \$ 40,728.25
Highway Fund Claims: 68 thru 80 - \$ 19,956.53
Water Fund Claim: 27 thru 31 - \$ 966.29

XVIII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Councilman Brown. Seconded by Councilman Noll. Ayes all.

Supervisor Duchesne adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

Next Meeting June 08, 2026 at 7:00pm

Minutes submitted by: Ann L Carr

Minutes approved by: