October 14, 2026

Supervisor Roach opened the meeting of the Sheridan Town Board at 7:00 PM in the Sheridan Town Hall. Those present: Councilwoman Yerico, Councilmen Sutton, White, and Gentry; Highway Superintendent Feinen, and Code Enforcement Officer Crowell.

Councilman White led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The floor was opened to the public.

Marguerite Kaczor from Route 5 was present to discuss the top of soil erosion along Lake Erie. She stated she has been coming to meetings since the spring asking for help with the severe coastal erosion. She stated she has been taking people kayaking lately and noticed that despite no significant rain the cliffs are wet and where it is wet it is deteriorating. She stated she believes it is caused by the water line. She asked the board to "immediately prioritize and fund construction of a protective sea wall or comparable engineered solution extending from the Dunkirk outer break wall to Silver Creek approximately 9 miles including necessary design, environmental review and permitting. Coordinate a multi-agency task force with the town of Dunkirk, the City of Dunkirk, the Town of Sheridan, and the village of Silver Creek, to develop a comprehensive shoreline protection and resilience plan with nature-based solutions. I'm asking that you pursue and allocate federal and state grant funding including IDA and economic development and enforce the existing coastal set back, the no mow buffer zones and other shoreline protections that people are ignoring or that they don't know of". She stated she sees people building homes and questioned if they are back 75 feet, are they told they are in a severe coastal erosion area. She feels they are not adequately warned about it. She asked everyone to sign her petition that she is sending to all the agencies to start the building of the wall. Councilwoman Yerico asked her if she went to every resident and got their addresses and sent it in to George Borello's office that was mentioned to her last month. Mrs. Kaczor stated "you mentioned that last month but I already went on got all of the residents". Councilwoman Yerico asked her if she had made it into a formal letter like they did. Mrs. Kaczor stated "no, nobody told me that when I started" and that the board didn't tell her that when she started, and then asked the board for resident's phone numbers. Councilwoman Yerico informed her that the town does not have a list of resident's phone numbers. That it needs to be a door to door, boots on the ground situation. Mrs. Kaczor stated "It sounds like you are asking me to do your job, you've been in your job for a long time, a long, long time. You said you were going to send me she Sheridan Comprehensive planning thing the first meeting I

was here." That she has not received it. Councilwoman Yerico stated that erosion happens and it is unfortunate. Mrs. Kaczor stated "we asked for a public meeting within 30 days and were denied. I brought my neighbors with me and you ignored us. All my words fell on deaf ears, I am leaving this here, I am hoping you will sign it, send it back to me and I'm done, thank you very much." At which point she got up and left the meeting room stating "I'm glad I'm turning into a republican" and slammed the door.

As there was no one wishing to speak further, Supervisor Roach closed the floor to the public.

Copies of the minutes from last month's meeting had been distributed to all Town Board members prior to the meeting. Councilman Gentry made a motion to accept the minutes as reviewed. Councilman White seconded the motion. Motion carried with unanimous vote of "aye".

Copies of the Financial Report were also distributed prior to this meeting. Councilman Gentry made the motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilman White seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of "aye".

After having reviewed the bills, Councilwoman Yerico made a motion to pay General Fund vouchers 242 through 270 for a total of $32,121.81, Highway fund voucher numbers 132 through 148 for a total of $29,166.42, Special District Voucher numbers 25 to 26 for a total of $596.30, and Capital District Voucher number 30 for a total of $105.00. Councilman White seconded the motion. Resolution #49-10/2026 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilwoman Yerico votes "aye", Councilman Sutton votes "aye", Councilman White votes "aye", Councilman Gentry votes "aye", and Supervisor Roach votes "aye".

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from Liberty Vineyard regarding the Wicked Wine Run. They thanked the board for granting approval for overflow parking on town property for the event. The event had approximately 640 runners signed up, but not as many showed up likely due to the date change. They would like permission to allow Wicked Wine Run to use the town property as overflow parking for the next race, to be held July 24, 2027. Councilman Gentry made a motion to send a letter of approval, Councilwoman Yerico seconded the motion. Supervisor Roach stated he would send a letter verifying that.

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Justice Szumigala reports 4 Penal law cases received, 2 disposed of; 153 Vehicle and Traffic law cases received, 141 disposed of; 1 Reg law cases received; 1 Town Ordinance law case

received; 1 NY Codes law received; and 1 Civil law case received, 1 disposed of for the month of September. A total of $15,753.00 was collected and turned over for distribution.

Code Enforcement Officer Crowell reports 20 building permit applications received, 4 certificates of occupancy, 27 inspections on construction, 1 public safety inspection, 5 investigations of a complaint, 4 notices of violation, and 4 information for court proceeding; received 24 training hours, travelled 260 miles, and worked 168.5 hours. A total of $1,127.50 was taken in a turned over for distribution. CEO Crowell stated that the residents who have built on Route 5 are greater than 70 feet from the bluffs, there is one that is close, but is over 80 feet.

Dog Control Officer Welka reports 7 calls for September. Of those 7 calls, no dog was picked up, she was attempting to trap a pitbull on Middle and Center Rd. but after a few days it disappeared.

Town Clerk Schafer reports a total of $276.50 was taken in for the month of September. $248.50 was turned over to the General Fund, $28.00 was sent out to NYS Department of Ag and Markets for dog licenses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

CEO Crowell brought up that we are still waiting on water totals for Water District #3 from CBI.

Councilman Gentry stated that resident Adam Rak signed up to be added to Water District #4 but hadn't received any hook-up. Town Clerk Schafer stated that since he owned land in the water district, he received a letter regarding the formation of the district. But his house is on Route 20 outside of the water district.

Supervisor Roach stated that Sheridan Bay Park is closed up for the season and has been winterized by Chautauqua Mechanical. They were very responsive and had it done in one day. Jody Faulkner has been trying to get information from Nussbaumer and Clarke that the state requested so they can get us our second payment. As of yesterday, they have not responded. They have not been responsive in returning emails and phone calls.

CEO Crowell stated he gave 3 Pete's a call about the West Sheridan Cemetery project. He stated it is on his radar; they had been busy with other projects. They had a discussion yesterday about putting together the materials and what they need to do the job. They figure that they will have gotten started within the week.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilman Gentry stated he asked Hwy. Supt. Feinen to get a synopsis on the condition of the loader and have someone come out and do an inspection. He felt after looking over the

reports that it is time to consider getting another loader. It is a 2014 with 2,868 hours on it, which is two to three times the normal life of a loader as it related to the town as it puts in a lot of time in the salt and ice. A quote was received for a brand new 2024 loader, the estimate includes the old loader as a trade. Discussion was held on next steps. Jeff also has a meeting at Boyles Motor Sales to look into ordering a new plow truck, which will take a year or two to receive. We are behind with keeping up on our equipment and need to be thinking about it. Discussion was held on what was included in the quote and what we wanted to include with our purchase.

Highway Supt. Feinen arrived to give his monthly report. He reported the rental machine came today and he started that on West Sheridan. He got two loads of big rocks and worked on it for 2-3 hours today. They are building a new wall outside the edge of the pipe that was put in a few years ago. An excavator was rented to do that. Crews have a truck set up in case the weather turns poor. Cut shoulders on Miller Rd. brush chopped the water tank for the county. The road was washed out in several spots; crews brought some millings up and fixed that while they were there with the equipment. Two trucks broke down, the 10-wheeler is still at DeMarco's the linkage where it goes through the fire wall snapped. Truck #58 received a new clutch. Did a project on S. Robert's Rd. There has been a property that has had a drainage problem for the last 20 years, the new homeowner agreed to let the town dig it out. It is now and open ditch and should stop the drainage problem.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilwoman asked Councilman White if he had received any response back from the City of Dunkirk Mayor in regard to sheltering dogs. Councilman White stated he left 5 phone calls with her and with the council. He sent an email to Frank Torain. Councilwoman Yerico stated that many towns are affected by it.

CEO Crowell stated that Attorney Passafaro will be present tomorrow morning at 10:30 to discuss the Supreme Court issue coming up.

Councilman White made a motion to move the November 11th regular meeting to November 4th due to the federal holiday (Veteran's Day); schedule a public hearing on Local Law #1 of 2026 "Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and Energy Code" at 6:30 PM; and schedule a public hearing on the primary budget to be held at 6:45 PM. Councilman Sutton seconded the motion. Resolution #50-10/2026 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilwoman Yerico votes "aye", Councilman Sutton votes "aye", Councilman White votes "aye", Councilman Gentry votes "aye", and Supervisor Roach votes "aye".

Supervisor Roach made a motion to provide Teamsters health insurance for Mitchell Gage starting the 1st of November. Councilwoman Yerico seconded the motion. Resolution #51-

10/2026 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman White votes “aye”, Councilman Gentry votes “aye”, and Supervisor Roach votes “aye”.

Councilman Sutton made a motion to increase cleaner Holly Pilarski’s hourly rate for the year 2027 by $1 an hour. Councilman White seconded the motion. Resolution #52-10/2026 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman White votes “aye”, Councilman Gentry votes “aye”, and Supervisor Roach votes “aye”.

Councilman Gentry made a motion to approve the Teamsters contract as corrected per the Supervisor with the addition of an insurance waiting period of 60 days, for Jan 1, 2027 to Dec 31, 2030. Councilman Sutton seconded the motion. Resolution #53-10/2026 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman White votes “aye”, Councilman Gentry votes “aye”, and Supervisor Roach votes “aye”.

The Town of Dunkirk agreed at their meeting to allow the Town of Sheridan to buyout their portion of the John Deere Tractor at a cost of $20,000. Sherri Miller had talked to Attorney Passafaro about it; it will need to be done by Resolution by both parties and he will be putting the resolution verbiage together. The Town of Dunkirk also owes the Town of Sheridan $24,674.98 for salt and sand for the years 2024 to 2026 and Jeff has passed it on to the Town of Dunkirk clerk. Discussion was held on if there was a possibility of swapping the tractor for the price of sand. Will discuss with Attorney Passafaro.

Councilman White brought up the idea of looking into the Hometown Heroes banners. Discussion was held, it was received positively and the board would like to look into it further.

The Court needs a new copier/scanner for their office. Court Clerk Lemiszko had mentioned in correspondence that the NYS court system furnished them with a copier, the ones they provide are cheap and break easily. Discussion was held. Councilman Gentry made a motion to approve the court to enter into an agreement with Axiom Office Imaging for a IMC3500 copier for the court at a cost of $89 a month for three years, plus $.01 per copy. Councilman White seconded the motion. Resolution #54-10/2026 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman White votes “aye”, Councilman Gentry votes “aye”, and Supervisor Roach votes “aye”.

ANNOUCEMENTS:

Highway Superintendent stated the Warrior Relief Fund will be having and event November 14th at the Sheridan VFW. All proceeds go to local veterans causes. Event starts at 3:00 PM, drawing at 7 PM.

Next Workshop meeting will be October 28th at 7 PM.

Next Board meeting will be November 4th at 7 PM.

Supervisor Roach closed the meeting in remembrance of past Court Clerk Sue Taylor.

Councilman White made a motion to end the meeting. Councilman Gentry seconded the motion. Meeting ended at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Town Clerk Schafer