

TOWN OF WAYNE
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING draft
JUNE 10, 2025
6:00 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A moment of silence was in memory of Kay Liederbach

Roll Call;

Councilmember Haar, Councilmember Bauer, Councilmember Freeman, Councilmember Kenyon, Supervisor Mahr, Clerk Serphillips

In Attendance;

Joe Serphillips, Stephan W. Veley, Missy Hope, Ron McIntire, Marty and Maureen Castellana, Jeff Zima, Superintendent Starkweather

A motion to approve the May Board Meeting minutes was made by Councilmember Haar, seconded by Councilmember Kenyon. All are in favor

Supervisor's report;

Supervisor Mahr stated that the amount remaining in the Water System Reserve is now \$3,374.19. Funds were taken out to buy pumps, for service calls, and to have the system checked. Supervisor Mahr is searching for a solution for the residents, to get the wells tested to see if it's safe to use them again, and to check on who pays to connect them.

There are no budget modifications.

A motion to approve the Supervisor's report was made by Councilmember Freeman, seconded by Councilmember Kenyon. All are in favor

Clerk's report

\$2,467.50 was paid to the Supervisor for the General Fund. \$8:00 was paid to the Animal Population Program, and \$22.50 was paid to the Department of Health for Marriage License.

A motion to approve the Clerk's report was made by Councilmember Haar, seconded by Councilmember Freeman. All are in favor

A motion to approve the Vouchers was made by Councilmember Haar, seconded by Councilmember Kenyon. All are in favor.

Supervisor Mahr stated that the mailing for the Town clean up cards will be updated in August.

Justice report;

The amount collected for a ticket was \$118.00.

Assessor's report;

A motion to approve Resolution 13, a draft of proposed Local No.2 of 2025 entitles Town of Wayne Real Property Tax Exemption up to ten percent (10%) for Qualifying Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers, was made by Councilmember Haar, seconded by Councilmember Kenyon.

Voting as follows;

Councilmember Haar, yes. Councilmember Bauer, yes. Councilmember Freeman, yes. Councilmember Kenyon, yes.

Supervisor Mahr stated that he will have more details about next steps to make this a Town law, at the July Board meeting.

Highway report;

Superintendent Starkweather stated that shop/Spring clean-up is being done, work done in the water room, hauled for the Town of Urbana. Highway school was attended by John McIntosh, Supervisor Starkweather, and Gabe Stiles.

Cleaned ditches at Keuka Village, culverts removed and replaced on Alderman Rd., swept roads for chip sealing, cleared UDIGNY tickets. Superintendent Starkweather that he reviewed new CHIPS funding. He received a verbal quote for Keuka Hill paving from Blades. 3" binder, assisted with hydraulic line repair.

June 9 storm drainage on E. Lake Rd was shut down at Corning Landing and the culvert washed out south of it. He stated that it got worse when the States culvert started plugging up on the uphill side of ST Rt 54. Superintendent has communicated with residents of E. Lake Rd. NYSEG has to inspect gas lines before the Highway Department can make repairs.

There may enough damage to qualify for State of Emergency. Supervisor Mahr filed necessary paperwork for State of Emergency funds.

Supervisor Starkweather stated that he rented an excavator and trailer for the cleanup. He also stated that he has two quotes for the trailer, \$7,600.00 and \$12,000.00. The money will come out of the Reserve Fund for the equipment

Superintendent Starkweather stated that one person resigned.

Superintendent Starkweather stated that 2 weeks ago a resident called telling him that they did not have water. He checked the water room to discover that a line broke passed the pressure pump, the tank drained, but the well continued to pump. He called the Department of Health, because it wasn't a pipe in the ground, we went to the boiling water. The water was tested and it is free of E-coli and total chloroform, and is safe.

Code officer report;

Code officer Serdula stated that reports are in the Williamson Law data base software. He did get a call from the Schuyler Co Sherrif regarding the Shop of Surprises being hit by a car. The structure was deemed safe to reside in.

The STR will be entered into the data base.

Zoning/Planning boards;

The minutes for the Planning board were approved, and two site plans were approved. There were two actions for the Zoning board, one of which went to the Planning board.

Watershed;

Ms. Gush stated that progress and people are replying to letters that have been sent out.

Ethics;

No activity

Dog Control Officer;

A reminder that the free Rabies Clinic will be on Saturday, June 21 2025 from 5pm-7pm at the Highway barn.

History report;

The Hallett family will be here to attend the History Open House on August 2, 2025.

On May 31, 2025, the History group met with 16 members who are descendants of William Kernan, who was the Town of Wayne Supervisor from 1817-1818, and lived in the area for approximately 50 years.

Web Statics

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Reviewed with no discussion.

Old Business;

There are no new STR applications. Letters of violation have been mailed out.

There are some septic issues, and complaints of parking in the road, and an inquiry regarding a property with problems in the past. with

A new compressor for the heating system, coil and cover has been installed, with a 30-day review period, (with a 1 ½ year warranty after June 30, 2025).

The boat launch;

Supervisor Mahr meet with the Town of Urbana to get information on their boat launch. One being the rules for the boat launch and the second is the contract that they have with Commercial vendors. The Commercial vendors must show proof of insurance, and there are regulations on the length of time they can be at the launch, and fines associated are also listed. Supervisor Mahr spoke with the vendor who

installed their gate. Supervisor Mahr and Superintendent will meet with him, and go over options. They also met with two of the barge venues. They continue to research possibilities and Supervisor Mahr is in contact with our Town lawyer, Mr. Buck. They only way for residence to enforce anything there is to call 911. The waterway is owned by New York State. The Town does not have local laws to enforce there. The gaa gaa pit is now ready to use and the pickleball court is a big success.

Public comments;

Missy Hope voiced concerns about STR and the noise on Keuka Hill Rd, from the Hamm's rental property during the night. A concern also is if the Hamm's, are using that property as a venue, and if he has construction building in line with permits. Residents can submit a complaint form. Marty Castellana stated that launch activity has decreased. He stated that he cannot find documentation stating that it's the Towns easement. The deed says for utilities. Mr. Serdula stated the residents should call 911 with over use of commercial barges, and not get into a confrontation.

Announcements;

The Free Rabies Clinic is on June 21, 2025 from 5pm -7pm at the Town Highway barn. There will be an open house for the History Group on August 2, 2025 from 10 am – 2 pm at the Wayne Town Hall. The next Town Board meeting is on July 8, 2025 at 6pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Kenyon, seconded by Councilmember Freeman. All are in favor

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted by,
Angie Serphillips, Clerk