

TOWN OF BINGHAMTON
TOWN BOARD MEETING
September 15, 2026



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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BINGHAMTON TOWN BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M., TOWN OF BINGHAMTON TOWN HALL, BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK 13903

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

E. Rounds, Supervisor	Present
M. Bensley, Dep. Supervisor	Present
D. Nye, Councilperson	Present
M. Donahue, Councilperson	Present
V. Conklin, Councilperson	Absent

OTHERS PRESENT:

T. Tokos, Town Clerk
G. Middleton, Town Attorney
N. Pappas, Code Enforcement, buildings and grounds.
K. Olds, TOB Fire Co.
Rosana Smith, Resident
Jamie Galusha, Resident

A motion may be made to go into an executive session to discuss a legal matter and or a personnel matter regarding a particular employee after the meeting is convened.
There was no Executive Session.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED CLAIMS:

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Bensley to adopt a Resolution to approve the following claims as audited:

ABSTRACT #21

<u>AUDITED CLAIMS</u>	<u>CLAIM #'S</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
General	Claim No. 770 - 794	\$24,825.01
Highway	Claim No. 756 - 769	\$32,531.99
Lighting	Claim No. 749	\$40.56
Sewer	Claim No. 750 - 751	\$3,144.75
Water	Claim No. 751 - 755	\$3,744.14
TOTAL		\$64,286.45

The motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. All those present voted in favor of the motion. A roll call vote resulted in the following:
Ayes: Rounds, Bensley, Nye, and Donahue.

Absent: Conklin

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Declared adopted.

Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF MINUTES:

- Work Session Minutes of September 1, 2026 – Minutes are delayed and will be reviewed at the October 6th meeting

VOICE OF THE PUBLIC –Supervisor Rounds opened the floor at 6:05 PM

- Rosanna Smith residing at 3731 Mill St. would like to change her property from R-1 to PDD for the purpose of running her massage business and possibly renting out her garage apartment. There are a few technicalities that were presented to her. She will look into the laws and possibly come back to the Board with a plan.
- Jamie Galusha residing at 50 Foland Rd. Is concerned about the amount of dumping that is taking place next to his property and where the fill is coming from since it is attached to the Susquehanna river basin which concerns him and his well water. Nick will follow up with Brett Pritchard.

Supervisor Rounds closed the floor at 6:37 PM.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The meeting for the Broome County Associated Towns and Villages is on the 24th of September at Tony's Restaurant. The guest speakers will be from the Mental Health Association of the Southern Tier.

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Attorney Report:

- The Clean fill application is updated and we will set a public hearing to change the Local Law at the October 6th Work Session.
- The Solar project for Powers Rd is still underway. Gina and Zack have been working with the Solar Company to get all agreements and exhibits up to date. John Mastronardi has been working with the swift and has approved it.
- Gina will follow up with the attorney handling the Dr. Miller property and will update soon.

Code Enforcement/Buildings and Grounds:

- Lone Maple Farms owner, Mike Harris is looking at possibly turning it into a wedding venue. It is just a thought at this point. No details are available.
- Kyle White, a resident on Cheshire Rd. is questioning our storm water management plan. Nick went to his property; there is an easement on his property. Gina and John Mastronardi are reviewing all information.

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Continued)

Highway:

- Stone and oil were performed at Mill Rd, Spaulding Rd, Brinkman, and A Cline Rd.
- Started 2027 budget discussions with Tom.
- The entire crew attended a plow training class at the DOT. The training is for a one person plow instead of two persons.
- Tom Hanna has requested being paid a substitute bonus since he is acting Highway Superintendent in Marks absence. It was decided that a bonus would be divided in the remaining pay periods to finish out the year.

A motion was made by Councilperson Donahue to pass a Resolution to give a substitute bonus to Tom Hanna divided into the remaining pay periods for 2026. The motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. All those present voted in favor of the motion. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Bensley, Nye, and Donahue.

Absent: Conklin Nays: None Abstained: None

Receipt of Reports: - Supervisor Rounds is in receipt of the following reports:

- Town Clerk's Monthly Report for August 2026
- DCO Monthly Report for August 2026
- Code Enforcement Officer's Monthly Report for August 2026.

Senior Commission:

- The Book group met last Tuesday.
- Chair yoga has resumed.
- Please visit the website for many future upcoming events.
- The TOB Fire Co. will be doing a presentation for the Senior group on October 20th.

Supervisor: No report

OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Continued)

TOB Volunteer Fire Co: - Kevin's report is for the past 2 month (July & August)

There were 25 calls: 2 gas odor, 2 brush fires, 6 EMS, 7 House fires, 2 wires down, 2 Medical assists, 2 motor vehicle accidents, 1 vehicle fire, and 1 CO call.

Kevin was very appreciative to all who attended the funeral services for Russell Cole.

The Annual Chicken BBQ went very well. It was a sellout.

Youth Commission: – Football and Cheerleading games are in progress.

Planning Board: – The next joint meeting is November 13, 2026.

Zoning Board of Appeals: –

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Approval for CDBG Disbursement request form Drawdown #10

A motion was made by Councilperson Donahue to approve the CDBG Disbursement request for Drawdown #10 in the amount of \$22,095.00. The motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Nye. All those present voted in favor of the motion. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Ayes: Rounds, Bensley, Nye, and Donahue.

Absent: Conklin Nays: None Abstained: None

NEW BUSINESS: 2027 Budget

- Tentative budget to be ready by September 25, 2026. Town Clerk to present it to the Board on October 5th at a Special budget meeting at 1:00 PM.

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Bensley to set a special 2027 budget meeting for October 5, 2026 at 1:00 PM. The motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Donahue. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Councilperson Donahue to set a Public Hearing at 6:01 PM for October 20, 2026 for the presentation to the Public for the tentative 2027 Budget. The motion was duly seconded by Deputy Supervisor Bensley. All those present voted in favor of the motion. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

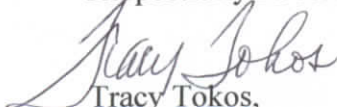
A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Bensley to adjourn the Board Meeting at 7:34 PM. The motion was duly seconded by Councilperson Donahue, all those present voted in favor of the motion.

Motion carried.

LOOKING AHEAD:

The next meeting of the Town of Binghamton Town Board will be a Work Session to be held on Tuesday October 6, 2026 @ 4:00 P.M., at the Town of Binghamton Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, NY. The next regular Town Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 20, 2026 @ 6:00 P.M. at Town of Binghamton Town Hall, 279 Park Avenue, Binghamton, NY.

Respectfully Recorded, Transcribed, and submitted by,


Tracy Tokos,
Town Clerk