

Town Of Ashland
12094 State Route 23
Ashland, New York 12407
December 8, 2025
Town Board Meeting

Attendance of the Board

Supervisor- Richard E. Tompkins
Councilperson- Deputy Scott Tuttle
Councilperson- Jeff Gonzalez
Councilperson- James Garraghan
Councilperson- John Mattice
Town Clerk- Dawn Thorp

Attending meeting: Michael Harte, Henry Lamont, Travis Castle, Chris Hamelton

1 & 4] At 7:30PM Supervisor Tompkins opened the Public Hearing with the Pledge to the American Flag.

Notice is Hereby Given: The Town Board of the Town of Ashland will hold a public hearing to address a request for a variance for a seven foot by seven foot shed. This is for Michael Harte owner at 12161 Main Street Route 23, Ashland, New York 12407 SBL# 93.02-1-42. The hearing will be December 8th 2025 at 7:30pm at the regular Town Board meeting. By Order of the Town Board, Heather Younes, Deputy Town Clerk -Dated: November 10, 2025.

Michael Harte brought the return receipt for the Dawn Thorp the town clerk. The board reviewed his drawing and the location. They discussed footage -the state rules and location of the shed near the building.

2 & 3] Motion to Close Public hearing and opening the regular Town board meeting by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice, motion carried.

Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to table the proposed Variance, until the footage and location can be established, motion; Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

5] Comments and concerns from the Floor: There were none – Supervisor Tompkins asked Travis to give his report. Travis gave to board copies of the update of the Water and Sewer reports – he expanded on the recent things going on.

6]Children at play signs: Ron Allen Koch is asking for signs by his house on route 32C for the safety of his young son. -it was tabled he did not attend.

7] Appointment: Helen Crisalli's term will expire on 12/31/2025 as Chairperson: The Planning board meets early in January; we are addressing this appointment in December for January 2026. Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to re-appoint Helen Crisalli as Chair of the Planning board; Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay Dawn will take care of her Oath of Office.

8] Tax Exempt Income Limits for Senior Citizens and Disabled: A motion to accept the County income limits by Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded By Councilperson Scott Tuttle; Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

9] Town Clerk's November 2025 report: Reviewed by the board, Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to sign the report; Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

10]Town Board Resolutions #53-#61[all original resolutions are signed and sealed in the office]

TB#53]. On January 1, 2026- newly elected Supervisor Chris Hamilton will be the town Supervisor. The town must modify the signatory members in the various financial institutions. The banking accounts listed on this Resolution must have Chris Hamilton as signer with two board members as secondary signers. The Councilpersons will be Scott Tuttle and John O. Mattice. Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded By Councilperson James Garraghan-motion; Adopted: Aye 3 Tompkins, Gonzalez Garraghan, Nay 0, 2 Abstained, Tuttle, and Mattice.

TB#54 Town of Ashland NYSRS Location code 30382 confirms the days worked service credit for employees: Tompkins, Bower, Nelson, and L Tompkins. Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded By Councilperson Scott Tuttle, Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#55 Motion by Councilperson Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfer of \$22,253.20 from unappropriated 2025 General Fund account to Balance 2025 General accounts. Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#56 Motion by Councilperson John Mattice, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfer of \$24,009.20 from unappropriated 2025 Highway Fund account to Balance 2025 Highway accounts. Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#57 Motion by Councilperson Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilperson James Garraghan to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfer of \$127.57 from unappropriated 2025 Street Light District Fund account to Balance 2025 Street Lights accounts. Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#58 Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfer of \$2,000.28 from unappropriated 2025 Water District Fund account to Balance 2025 Water District accounts. Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#59 Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfer of \$5,024.11 from unappropriated 2025 Sewer District Fund account to Balance 2025 Sewer accounts. Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#60 Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfer of \$40,110.20 from unappropriated 2025 Ambulance District Fund account to Balance 2025 Ambulance accounts. Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzalez, Tuttle, Garraghan, Mattice- 0 Nay

TB#61] On January 1, 2026- newly elected Supervisor Chris Hamilton will be the town Supervisor. The town must modify the signatory members in the National Bank of Coxsackie, banking accounts listed on the Resolution must have Chris Hamilton as signer with two board members as secondary signers. The Councilpersons will be Scott Tuttle and John O. Mattice. Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded By Councilperson James Garraghan-motion; Adopted: Aye 3 Tompkins Gonzalez Garraghan, Nay 0, 2 Abstained Tuttle, and Mattice.

11] General Fund Resolution #12 -Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson James Garraghan to authorize the Supervisor to make the transfers to balance General accounts, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

12] Highway Fund Resolution #8- Motion by Councilperson Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the transfers to balance Highway accounts, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

13] Street Lights Fund Resolution # 2- Motion by Councilperson Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to make the transfers to balance Street Light accounts, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

14] Water District Resolution # 7- Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the transfers to balance Water District accounts, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

15] Sewer District Resolution # 7- Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to make the transfers to balance Sewer District accounts, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

16] Ambulance District Resolution # 8- Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the transfers to balance Water District accounts, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

17] Update on Bridge/Road: tabled

18] Ambulance Quarters update: The code enforcement Officer will be working with Doug on the work upstairs for the quarters.

19] ARPA Funds: The Supervisor asked the board if balance of the funds could be used for the supplies needed for the pickle ball and basketball courts. Motion by Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded By Councilperson John Mattice to approve the use of the balance of this money.

20] Part Time Employees: The board discussed part-time Employees with a 4-hour call in. Motion by Councilperson Scott Tuttle, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to approve the 4- hour call in. Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

21] Chris Tompkins out of the District Sewer hook-up request: Deputy Scott Tuttle entertained the motion to allow Chris Tompkins to be added to the Sewer district, being out of the district. Councilperson James Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice made the motion to approve this hook up. Adopted; 4 Aye Gonzalez, Garraghan, Mattice, Tuttle, 0 Nay, 1 Abstained Tompkins.

Read for information: Board reviewed Water and sewer reports Planning and Town Board minutes

22] 4th Supplemental Agreement Among West of the Hudson Watershed: Read for information

Warrant Bills: Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to approve the bills as written, Adopted: 5 Aye- Tompkins, Tuttle, Gonzalez, Mattice, Garraghan- 0 Nay

General Fund Warrant #12 - 41 Claims, \$108,341.14, Highway Fund Warrant#12 - 14 Claims \$41,064.10, Ambulance District Fund Warrant#12 - 18 Claims \$70,518.21, Street Light Fund Warrant #12 1 Claim \$211.27, Water District Fund Warrant #12- 3 Claims \$2,046.18, WWTP District Fund Warrant#12 18 Claims \$24,982.39

Motion to close at 9:18pm by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson James Garraghan, motion carried.

Respectably submitted,

Dawn J Thorp

Town Clerk

Dated: December 8, 2025