

**Town of Ashland**  
**12094 State Route 23**  
**Ashland, New York 12407**  
**Town Board Meeting**  
**September 9, 2024**

Attendance:

Supervisor Richard E Tompkins

Councilperson Scott Tuttle

Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez

Councilperson James Garraghan

Councilperson John Mattice

Town Clerk Dawn Thorp

Highway Superintendent Larry Tompkins

Attending: Nancy Partridge, Quinn Kessler, Heather Younes, Margaret Partridge, Jessica Greene, Christian Greene- WAJ Student, David Greene, Bob Myers Code Enforcement Officer

1-2] At 7:34PM Supervisor Tompkins opened the meeting with the pledge to the American flag.

3] Comments from the floor: No comments or concerns.

4] Nancy Partridge - road concerns: Nancy Partridge and a family member had photos of culverts eroding during heavy rains, they are concerned about flooding into buildings. Copies of pictures on her phone, were printed for the board. The board decided to have Board members, the Highway Superintendent, Greene County Soil and Water, Joel Dubois to see what legally can be done. Nancy Partridge also asked if horse crossing signs can be put up, traffic goes thru extremely fast for the horses and riders. She is concerned for their safety. The Town Highway Superintendent will check on this. The town clerk will send the paperwork for the speed signs to the county, to get the process started.

Nancy also said her flower bed with Sign, was knocked into during plowing by the town. The Supervisor and Town Board will check with the town attorney, if we are liable, it will be taken care of.

5] Ambulance Fees Report: The board members each reviewed and signed the report.

6] Town Clerk's August 2024 Report: After review, Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to sign the report. Motion was, Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins- 0 Nay, 1 absent Tuttle

7] General Fund Resolution #10 2024: Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfers to balance accounts, motion was; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins- 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

8] Highway Resolution #5 2024: Motion by Councilperson Jim Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfers to balance accounts, motion was; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins- 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

9] Sewer District Resolution #7 2024: Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson Jim Garraghan to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfers to balance accounts, motion was; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins- 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

10] Water District Resolution # 7 2024: Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson Jim Garraghan to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfers to balance accounts, motion was; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

11] Ambulance District Resolution #5 2024: Motion by Councilperson Jim Garraghan, seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez to authorize the Supervisor to make the following transfers to balance accounts, motion was; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

12] Town Board Resolutions#39-#42: (all resolutions are signed and sealed in the office)

TB Res.# 39 Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson John Mattice- Authorizing Supervisor Tompkins to use unappropriated fund balance of 2024 for balancing accounts in General fund Resolution # 10 2024 motion was: Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

TB Res.#40 Motion by Councilperson John Mattice, seconded by Councilperson Jim Garraghan to authorize the Supervisor to use unappropriated 2024 fund balance, to balance accounts in Highway Fund Res # 5 2024, motion; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

TB Res.#41 Motion by Councilperson John Mattice, seconded by Councilperson Jim Garraghan to authorize the Supervisor to use unappropriated 2024 fund balance, to balance accounts in Water District Fund Res # 7 2024, motion was; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle

TB Res # 42 Speed limit signs for BG Partridge Road: reducing speed, which will go to the county to send to NYSDOT for approval. Motion by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez, seconded by Councilperson Jim Garraghan, motion; Adopted: 4 Aye Gonzalez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins 0 Nay, 1 Absent Tuttle  
7:47PM Council person Scott Tuttle arrived

13] Update on Ambulance Quarters: Supervisor Tompkins told the Board the stamped plans have been sent to GNH Lumber.

Jessica Greene and her family asked what can be done regarding the dog belonging to Nancy Partridge that bit her causing nerve damage. She stated the dog comes on their lawn and property, is not tied, or confined. They are afraid of this dog. The board agreed she should call Mr. Femi again and the police, if nothing is done contact the board and the board will contact the town attorney.

For Information & Communication: Reviewed by the Board

Travis Castles Water Reports- Sewer Reports- Board & Planning Board minutes.

14] Charge Backs 9/1/2023-8/31/2024: Reviewed by the board- balance sheets for A 430 account for: assessment rolls, tax bills, state software licensing fee, erroneous assessments, and various other charges.

15] Catskill Center for Conservation & Development:

16] NYS DOT Speed limit request of June 2023- The Town Clerk and Greene County Highway Superintendent received a letter from NYS DOT postmarked August 30<sup>th</sup> 2024 regarding the speed limit request on County Route 63 (West Settlement Road) sent to NYSDOT in June 2023. A letter received by the Town and County from NYSDOT approving the speed limit to be established to 40mph from statewide 55mph.

Pay Warrants:

Motion by Councilperson Scott Tuttle seconded by Councilperson Jeff Gonzalez to pay the bills as written, motion; Adopted: 5 Aye Gonzelez, Mattice Garraghan, Tompkins, Tuttle 0 Nay

General Fund Warrant #9-30 Claims \$43,386.17 Highway Fund Warrant#9-11 Claims \$134,699.15

Ambulance Fund Warrant #9-11 Claims \$15,007.92 Ashland Water Dist. Warrant #9-7 Claims \$8,786.20

WWTP Dist. Warrant #9- 12 Claims \$27,085.27

Motion to Close at 8:53PM by Councilperson John Mattice, seconded by Councilperson Scott Tuttle, all in favor

Dawn Thorp, Town Clerk

Dated September 9, 2024