

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Stamford was held on July 8, 2026 at 6:00pm, at the Town of Stamford Municipal Building with the following present

Supervisor: John Kosier

Councilperson: Julie Sechrist

Councilperson: Jake Palmatier

Councilperson: Jessica Watson

Councilperson: Debora Ballard

Highway dept supervisor: Dan Miglianti

Also present: Ruthanne VanBuren, Yvonne Shaw, Jackie Lamport, Cheri Miglianti, Doug McMullen, Rose Grant, Duanne Martin, Liz Paige, Tomi Tompkins

The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A MOTION was made by Jessica Watson, and seconded by Jake Palmatier to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Julie Sechrist and seconded by John Kosier to approve the Supervisors Monthly report, ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and seconded by Jake Palmatier to approve General Bills Abstract A2695-A26111 for a total of \$3818.52 and General Fund B2608-2609 for a total of \$3323.46. ALL AYES vote cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Julie Sechrist and seconded by Debora Ballard to approve the Highway Fund DA2637-DA2643 for \$3784.02, and DB2612 for \$3583.59 ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Julie Sechrist and seconded by John Kosier to approve SK Sewer and Lighting district. SK2622-SK2625 for \$10377.05. Lighting District, SL2607 for \$75.96. ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

Highway Supervisor, Dan Miglianti spoke to the progress on the working of ditches on town roads, and grating of Madison Hill and Narrow Notch Road. It was mentioned how the county crew was assisting in the mowing of the sides of county highway 18 from South Kortright to Bloomville. And allowing our team to address the high grass areas, like Wickham Road, as mentioned by town public Rose Grant.

In old news update, the cameras are to be here this week, and with some set up time allotted, we are hoping to have them up and running in the near future, to live stream our board meetings. We are still waiting on call back from auditors in the Albany area.

Tomi Tompkins; Town Building Inspector, spoke to the building permit fees and a need for an increase in the rates, as they have not been updated since 2008. The board agreed and will discuss an appropriate adjustment in the August board meeting. He provided the board with Permit Fees from neighboring towns to reference to when discussing the adjustments.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2026 was introduced by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist; BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that Town of Stamford honor of our nation's founding and in celebration of its 250th anniversary, express support of the New York Association of Towns Bill of Rights, a statement of principles affirming the importance of municipal home rule, local control over land use decisions, relief from unfunded mandates, modernization of public notice requirements, and a stronger state-local partnership. The Bill Of Rights recognizes a simple truth; New York's towns are not merely administrative arms of government, but partners in shaping the future of our state.

BILL of RIGHTS

1. *Protect and Defend Municipal Home Rule*

As the level of government closest to the people, towns are the best positioned to understand local needs, balance competing interest, and make decisions that shape daily life in meaningful ways. Preserving that authority matters not just for towns, but for the health of local democracy itself.

2. *Protect Our Lands, Guide Our Development*

Land use and zoning decisions belong in local- not in statewide zoning schemes or arbitrary shot clock deadlines that ignore the voice of the residents and elected officials that live here.

3. *Freedom from Unfunded Mandates*

Local taxpayers should not be expected to bear the brunt of orders placed by bureaucrats in Albany and Washington, D.C. taxpayers deserve fairness, and local budgets need relief.

4. *Modernize Transparency, Accessibility and Engagement*

Outdated public notice requirements soak up very essential dollars in municipal budgets by forcing them to pay money for print public notices that can be often missed and are counter productive to civic awareness.

5. *A Voice in Decisions Impacting our Hometowns*

A true partnership between the State of New York and its local governments will propel the Empire State forward and bear dividends to benefit all New Yorkers. As the governing body closest to more than 9.1 million New Yorkers, town government should be treated by the state as true partners—not as an afterthought or a hurdle to clear.

A MOTION was made by Jessica Watson and seconded by Jake Palmatier, in support of the AOT Bill of Rights, "Modernize Transparency, Accessibility and Engagement" the Town of Stamford Webpage will have more transparency and information regarding the Town Meeting dates and time. ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

RESOLUTION NO.12-2026 was introduced by Jake Palmatier and seconded by Julie Sechrist: BE IT HERBY RESOLVED that we move into Executive Session at 6:31pm to discuss a personnel matter. ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2026 was made by Julie Sechrist and seconded by Debora Ballard to move out of executive session at 6:38pm. ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried, with no action taken.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist to adjourn the meeting at 6:39pm, ALL AYES votes cast, MOTION carried.

The next Town of Stamford Board Meeting will be held on August 12th, 2026.

WE, the undersigned members of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford, Delaware County, New York, do hereby certify that we have examined the minutes of the previous meeting and found them to be correct and accurate as recorded.

Supervisor_____

Councilperson_____

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Councilperson_____

Attest _____

Town Clerk