

The Town of Otsego Town Council held a Regular Monthly Meeting on the 8th day of April, 2026 starting at 7:00 PM at the Town Office Building in Fly Creek, NY.

Town Board Members Present:

Ted Feury	Supervisor
Pat Kennedy	Deputy Supervisor
Karl Steere	Councilperson
Deb Dalton	Councilperson
Jay Bosley	Councilperson

Also Present:

Bill Hribar	Hwy Superintendent
Molly Hernandez	Town Clerk
Will Green	Town Attorney

Supervisor Feury called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

Supervisor Feury asked everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Councilperson Dalton, seconded by Councilperson Bosley, to approve the meeting minutes of March 11 and March 25, 2026 as written.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Councilperson Bosley, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Kennedy, to approve the resignation of Councilperson Tom Craig as of 4/8/2026.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy requested a thank you letter be mailed to Tom on behalf of the Council thanking him for his service. Highway Superintendent Hribar noted that he thought Tom Craig was a great part of the team.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Supervisor Feury opened the floor for comments.

No comments.

Supervisor Feury closed the floor for further public comment.

Supervisor Feury presented correspondence received since last month's meeting. The Manocherians did meet with the DEC.

Councilperson Dalton brought forward correspondence from the League of Women Voters that outlines what rubric "observers" that attend public meetings rate the meetings with.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy noted the correspondence we received from Paul Lord from the Watershed Supervisory Committee, which will be discussed later in the meeting.

The Town Board reviewed all the monthly bills.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy requested that funds be listed on the claims that are submitted so that they can check to see that there is money in that fund to pay for that.

MOTION by Deputy Supervisor Kennedy, seconded by Councilperson Dalton, to pay the bills and make the necessary transfers:

General: Vouchers #49-55	\$3,928.40
Hwy: Vouchers #75-87	\$11,582.95

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Supervisor Feury submitted a Financial Report which was reviewed by the Town Board.

General Checking: \$21,775.18
General NYClass Inv: \$444,088.45
Hwy Equip. Reserve: \$131,672.80
ARPA: -0-

HWY Checking: \$171,928.27
HWY NYClass Inv: \$1,435,274.48
Building Reserve: \$43,344.35
Special Lighting Dist.: \$2,239.35

Planning Board member Sharon Kroker gave a report on the Planning Board. Kroker asked whether the Solar Law was part of the Land Use Law, and Deputy Supervisor Kennedy said it is a separate law. Deputy Supervisor Kennedy asked about the Hoke Road subdivision that has been applied for. The Planning Board is still in discussion with the landowners, and they will be coming back to another meeting with 4 proposed lots instead of 6.

MOTION by Deputy Supervisor Kennedy, seconded by Councilperson Dalton, to appoint Karl Steere as Councilperson to fill the term of Councilperson Craig through 12/31/2026.

Supervisor Feury noted that he has spoken with a couple other candidates but they have not moved forward yet. Councilperson Bosley endorsed Karl Steere.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Deputy Supervisor Kennedy, seconded by Councilperson Dalton, to appoint Dan Hernandez to serve as the Town's computer, printer and website consultant to assist in identifying the computers, printers and such software as may be necessary for purchase by the Town Clerk that will best serve the current needs of the town, and to contact and work with previous and current website and email providers to ensure the Town's website and emails and other internet accessible communications are transitioned in a way that meet state standards for .gov sites.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy said that Dan Hernandez requested a short contract, but approved of this outline.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Supervisor Feury noted that Ann Cannon resigned from the Planning Board.

MOTION by Deputy Supervisor Kennedy, seconded by Councilperson Bosley, to appoint Adrian Kuzminski as the Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate 2.

Supervisor Feury also noted that we need a second alternate for the Planning Board.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

MOTION by Deputy Supervisor Kennedy, seconded by Councilperson Dalton, to terminate the annual website hosting contract with Kip Shaw with 30 days' notice.

MOTION CARRIED: All were in favor.

Highway report was given by Highway Superintendent Bill Hribar:

- Excavator is arriving on Monday through the shared service agreement with the County.
- Highway Superintendents' meeting tomorrow.
- Signed agreement with Henderson equipment.
- Inventory list for insurance has been prepared.
- Bids for paving are being collected.
- Hribar spoke with Cobleskill Stone regarding cost of oil this morning, which may change what is happening this summer with oiling and stoning the road.
- A list has been made of the Cemetery's that are in the Town of Otsego that the Highway Department mows.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy requested that conversation about the cemetery funding be added onto the agenda of the next meeting.

Supervisor Feury noted that the bookkeeper has dropped the monthly health insurance rate in everyone's paychecks. Deputy Supervisor Kennedy noted that Supervisor Feury needs to bring this to the CSEA union representatives.

Councilperson Dalton gave a report on the Comprehensive Plan. SEQR parts 2 and 3 need to be reviewed and then referred to the County Planning Department. The SEQR will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy reported for the Land Use Committee. Interested people in serving on the committee include Alex Nirenberg, Adrian Kuzminski, May Leinhart, Meg Stabb, and she would like to ask Carina Franck.

Dog Control Report was given by Clerk Hernandez. Nothing to report for this month.

Supervisor Feury began the discussion about the Watershed Supervisory Committee. There was discussion regarding the Watershed Supervisory Committee request to send out a letter charging \$50 to those with septic systems along the lake. The letter is to come from the Watershed Supervisory Committee, and the letter is only sent to those along Otsego Lake. Attorney Green stated again that he does not believe that the Village has the authority to impose a fee on people outside of the Village bounds and they have not shared anything that shows otherwise. There should be some kind of legislative authority they can point to if they can do that.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy reported for the Highway Committee. The Spring Road show is April 16th at 6:00pm.

Councilperson Dalton announced that there is an event scheduled at the Clark Sports Center on April 23rd at 6:00pm providing information on NYSEG bill comprehension.

Deputy Supervisor Kennedy asked about the process for amending the fee of \$50 to \$250 in the No Wake Law that was passed in 2001. Attorney Green noted that these laws are helpful but the enforcement of them is always an issue.

There was no new business.

Supervisor Feury adjourned the meeting.

Next scheduled Town Council working meeting will be held on April 22, 2026 at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Molly Hernandez
Town Clerk