

Unadilla Town Board Meeting

October 14, 2025

6:00 PM Audit of Bills

6:30 PM Open Meeting

Call to Order

Supervisor George DeNys called the meeting to order at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

- George DeNys, Supervisor
- Kirsten Ruling, Town Clerk
- Megan Ruling, Deputy Town Clerk
- Rodney Renwick, Superintendent
- Donald Cole, Councilman
- Jessica Grow, Councilwoman
- Allen Anderson, Councilman
- Larry Crosier, Councilman
- Beth Westfall, Town Attorney
- Penny Haddad, Assessor
- Gloria Meehan

Attendees:

- Edwin Frazier, Kirk McLaughlin

Minutes of September 9, 2025

Councilperson Larry Crosier made the motion to accept the September 9, 2025 minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Allen Anderson and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Audit of Bills

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to accept and pay bills. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Larry Crosier and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

General Fund A	\$	20,027.96
General Fund B	\$	0.00
Highway (DB) Outside Village	\$	349,538.50
Highway (DA) Town wide	\$	1,939.16
Riverside Sewer District	\$	80.63
Riverside Lighting	\$	166.17
Rockdale Lighting	\$	29.87
Wells Bridge Lighting	\$	205.92

Committee Reports

Highway

Rodney Renwick:

The salt shed has been completed and filled ready and prepared for winter. The trucks are out being serviced and inspected. The culverts have been replaced and we are now inspecting. Otsego County has been updated with mitigation paperwork. Dale Utter requested he would be allowed to place a historical marker at the Union Cemetery, Rodney did not have any objection. Motion to allow historical

marker at the Union Cemetery made by Supervisor George DeNys and second by Councilman Allen Anderson and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Finance - Financial report attached.

Building – The back door needs to have weather stripping replaced before winter.

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to accept Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Monthly Reports

Town Clerk's Report - submitted with a check totaling \$588.59

Dog Control Officer's Monthly Report - attached

Assessor's Monthly Report – None

Tax Collector's Report - None

Councilperson Jessica Grow made the motion to accept monthly reports as submitted. The motion was seconded by Supervisor George DeNys and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Old Business

CDBG Drawdown #10 was presented and Thoma requests a public hearing be held at the November 10 meeting at the Grant is 70% encumbered. Supervisor George DeNys and the motion was seconded by Larry Crosier and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Removal of the Tax Collector position that Town Attorney Beth Westfall made a corrected a resolution that was originally dated back in April. The abolishment of the Tax Collector will be replaced by a resolution on October 14 and the tax collection to be done at the county. It would be removed from the ballot from the original resolution and the county to sign the contract. The motion was carried by Supervisor George DeNys, and seconded by Councilperson Allen Anderson.

The Disabled Veteran's Tax exemption may allow municipality if conditions are met. Veterans need to be 100% disabled and they would be getting 100% exemption on their primary residence and 1 acre. Town Attorney Beth Westfall will have Local Law #1 and #2 (2025) Public Hearing towards alternative and combat veterans. Assessor Penny Haddad will have a Levy calculator.

New Business

The Board would like to ask Penny Haddad to resume here roll as Assessor. A motion to appoint Penny Haddad as Assessor was made by Supervisor George DeNys and was seconded by Councilperson Allen Anderson and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Kirsten requested that the Town accept credit cards, the cost associated with credit card payments will be the payor's responsibility. A motion to accept credit cards by Supervisor George DeNys and was seconded by Councilperson Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Wells Bridge Budget Summary was presented as a passthrough. (attached)

Sidney Fire District Budget Summary was submitted. (attached) A motion to accept Sidney's Fire District Budget was made by Supervisor George DeNys and was seconded by Councilperson Larry Crosier and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Propane Bids were opened at the board meeting, only one bid was submitted. Boulder Oil Company bid \$1.259/gallon. A motion to accept the bid from Boulder Oil Company was made by Supervisor George DeNys and was seconded by Councilperson Larry Crosier and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays

November meeting slated for November 11 is Veteran's Day. A motion to change the board meeting to be held Monday November 10 was made by Supervisor George DeNys and seconded by Councilperson Don Cole. A notice will be put in the Daily Star to alert the public of the date change. The Town Court request they apply for a JCAP Grant for the amount not to exceed \$30,000. A motion to allow the Town Court to apply for the JCAP Grant made by Supervisor George DeNys and seconded by Councilperson Allen Anderson.

Correspondence

Request for a historical marker be placed at the Union Foster Cemetery
Invitation for the Board to attend the dedication of Sybil Ludington historical marker Tuesday October 21
Requested information of an assessor to be appointed

Privilege of the Floor

Kirk McLaughlin – display on the town hall sign to advertise for Wells Bridge Fire Department about their ice cream social and junior firefighter recruitment on October 26.
Gloria Meehan – voiced her concern about the legality of removing the Tax Collector position in favor of having Otsego County collecting the taxes on the Town's behalf.

Exit Board Meeting at 6:55

Open Public Budget Hearing at 6:55

The 2026 Budget was presented, no public comment.

Exit Public Budget Hearing 6:56

Reopen Regular Board Meeting at 6:56

A motion to adopt the 2026 Budget as presented was made by Supervisor George DeNys and was seconded by Councilperson Allen Anderson and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Exit Board Meeting at 6:57

Open Executive Session at 6:57

Exit Executive Session at 7:19

Reopen Regular Board Meeting at 7:20

Adjournment

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion adjourn the meeting at 7:20, the motion was seconded by Councilperson Allen Larry Crosier and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Respectfully submitted
Kirsten Ruling
Town Clerk