

Town of Grove
County of Allegany, State of New York

Board Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2026

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall by Town Supervisor, Kenneth DeRitter.

Present: Kenneth DeRitter, Town Supervisor Susan Morris, Town Clerk/Collector
Michael Dieter, Councilmember Mark Ringelberg Highway Superintendent
Peggy Gelser-Webb, Councilmember Richard Morris, Sole Assessor/Dog Control
Officer
Jesse Griffith, Councilmember James Myers, Code Enforcement Officer
Kelly Mann, Councilmember Alex Pierce Town Historian

Absent:

Late:

Others present: Noah VanName, Martin Katz and Brian Lacy

All reports are filed in Town Clerk's office for review.

Public Participation:

Katz and Lacy discussed gate at end of Blakley. Discussion ensued. Board stated the Town does not own gate so can't move or remove gate. Also does not take property from owners.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February board meeting were read.

Mike Dieter made the motion and Kelly Mann seconded it to accept the minutes as read.

Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Webb, Griffith, Mann, & DeRitter

Nays 0

Absent 0

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

No report

Audit of Claims

Bills were stated in the amounts of:

General Fund # 23 - 26 \$ 671.76

Highway Fund # 31 - 41 \$ 18,703.78

Town Official Reports:

Highway Report

Working on trucks and plowing roads and got 2 sander boxes for plows. Kevin Tucker has started as parttime. Would like a clothing allowance. Jesse Griffith made the motion and Mike Dieter 2nd with Kelly Mann 3rd for clothing allowance.

Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Webb, Griffith, Mann, & DeRitter

Nays 0

Absent 0

Tom goes to Dr on Thurs before coming back to work. Will be grading Rattlesnake Hill. Need to look at CHIPS to see what work needs to be done this Summer on the hard top roads. Make list of roads to work on for next Board Meeting. April 21st road trip at 5:00pm. Then can make 5 year plan for maintenance on roads. Want maintenance records for each truck for board meetings.

Code Enforcement Report

Issued 2 permits. After zoning mtg. zoning Chairman contacted Williams on French Hill and told him what he needed to do. There will be a zoning mtg. mid Summer.
Robinson picked up letter and the property is much better. Still needs work but better. Will continue to monitor.
Discussion on trailers across from Hall.
Admin report 1203 submitted and sent to NYS.

Dog Control Officer Report

Sent a couple tickets. Did not pick up any dogs.

Assessor's Report

Finishing up revaluations. And taking photos. Catching up on a few that slipped by.

Town Historian

78 years ago 1948 Canaseraga has maintained a full collection of year books which included Swain students. Talked about Swain class. Preparing a collage of all the Swain classes.

Supervisor's Report

Resolution from the utility wanting support against the high costs.
Jesse Griffith made motion and Kelly Mann seconded it to sign resolution.
Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Webb, Griffith, Mann, & DeRitter
Nays 0
Absent 0

Phones are in the offices and working well.

Allsupport IT Company

Looked into this company for taking over our .gov and website.
Cost to get started will be initially \$500
Kelly Mann made the motion and Peggy Gelser-Webb seconded it to accept the Allsupport Company for all services.
Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Webb, Griffith, Mann, & DeRitter
Nays 0
Absent 0

Worked with Union re: Casey and it's done.

Correspondence:

Bad report on Humane Society. Concrete exposed & hard to clean in dog runs.
Pest alert - Study was done. USDA wants to put up traps for fruit flies.
Kelly Mann made the motion and Jesse Griffith seconded it to accept putting up traps.
Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Webb, Griffith, Mann, & DeRitter
Nays 0
Absent 0 .

Old Business:

New Business:

We need gutters. Around building. Will get quotes.

RESOLUTION 2-2026

Intermunicipality Aid Agreement for 2026

Jesse Griffith made the motion and Mike Dieter seconded it to the Intermunicipality Aid Agreement for 2026
Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Webb, Griffith, Mann, & DeRitter
Nays 0
Absent 0

Adjournment:

With no further business, Jesse Griffith made the motion and Peggy Gelser-Webb seconded it to Adjourn.

Carried.

Minutes submitted by:

Susan Morris, Town Clerk