

Town of Grove
County of Allegany, State of New York

Board Meeting Minutes

June 16, 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
Kelly Mann,	Deputy Supervisor/Councilmember	Michael Dieter,	Councilmember
Peggy Gelser-Web,	Councilmember	Jesse Griffith,	Councilmember
Richard Morris,	Sole Assessor/Dog Control Officer	Mark Ringelberg,	Highway Superintendent
James Myers,	Code Enforcement Officer	Alex Pierce,	Town Historian

Absent:

Late:

Others present: Thomas Hart, Colleen Osborn, Sherry & Jerry Gagne', John Senka & Lynn Waite

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

Public Participation: John Senka stated he is no longer a large campground but there will be 4 rental spots only during Winter. Winter will never exceed 6 (2 is for family only). Board approved.
Colleen Osborn would like signs for farm crossing at her property. Mark will look into.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May board meeting were read.

Jesse Griffith made the motion and Peggy Gelser-Webb seconded it to accept the minutes as read.

Carried. Ayes 5 Dieter, Gelser-Web, 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 # 47 - 58 \$ 6,031.37

Highway Fund # 60 - 72 \$ 7,930.19

Town Official Reports:

Highway Report

Changing culvert pipes out. Did shoulders to keep beavers out. Can get DEC for a permit to get rid of beavers. Grating roads. Equipment problems. Drain on Colton Hill. Put 3 drains on Smith road. Got Kevin gravel on his culvert pipe on overview road. Bennet road needs 2 culvert pipes. New guy is Matt Watkins.

Code Enforcement Report

4 permits all for sheds. Closed 2. Got a foil request email from a guy (Jaded Jackpot) that wanted a ton of information. Lawyer said no. Sent letter re: removal of Conex container.

Dog Control Officer Report

Had to rescue Duke Cherry. Took to Olean but Duke did not make it.
Call from dispatcher re: 4 people riding train with a dog.

Assessor's Report

No report

Supervisor's Report

June 24th supervisor's mtg.
June 23 primary election.

Town Historian

Brought collage of the Big Boy train photos that came into Swain.
1850 census Grove had 179 farmers and 126 labors with shoemaking, etc. and so many more people. 1 preacher.
Had people born in 1850 that came from other states and outside of the Country.
Research continues for Civil war information.

Correspondence:

Sympathy card for Jim Blowers (Duke Cherry)
Thank you card from Judge Dawn Wildric for letting her join our Brd mtg.

Old Business:

Gutters are up.
Research RPH powers system – for generator maintenance for 3 years. \$605.
Jesse Griffith made motion & Mike Dieter seconded it to pay for maintenance for 3 years.

New Business:

Having ant problem and need to hire exterminator.
Kelly Mann made the motion & Peggy Gelser-Webb seconded it to hire exterminator.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Jesse Griffith made the motion and Kelly Mann seconded it to adjourn.
Carried.

Minutes submitted by:
Susan Morris, Town Clerk