

Town Board Meeting Minutes from May 13, 2025

Reviewed and approved June 10, 2025

The town board meeting was held on May 13, 2025 at the town justice building.

Supervisor Bronner led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Bronner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call as follows:

Supervisor Bronner - present

Councilman Gerhardt - present

Councilman Grescheck - present

Councilman Hubiak - present

Councilman Voght - present

Superintendent Hajczewski - present

Town Clerk Smith - present

Also attending the meeting: Butch Woodruff, Jim Harrad, Nick & Sue Jordan, Father Nektarios, Willie Smith, Karen Haven, Steve Hawkes, Mike Shedd, Connie & Ken Richards, Jane & Ron Klump, Howie & Lori Wrench, Jack & Marie Armstrong, and Steve & Ali Collins

The town clerk read the minutes from April 8, 2025 town board meeting. Supervisor Bronner asked if any corrections, additions, or changes to the minutes as read. Councilman Grescheck made motion to accept and Councilman Gerhardt seconded. All approved.

Supervisor Bronner opened the meeting to the public at 7:09 pm. It was discussed the success of the dumpster day. Supervisor Bronner proposed a draft for a local law for storage, waste, and junk disposal which will be on the website the following day. The town board will discuss if any changes to be made to the draft. Statement was made if the town board had contacted the town of Springfield as they are doing something similar and maybe to speak with that town as having more resources. The law from Springfield is non-negotiable. Resident would get a notice, and if not cleaned up, the town would clean up, and add the bill on their tax bill. Supervisor Bronner advised that similar language is included in the proposed law and then there was a question of enforcement. If no changes to the law, the town board can adopt it this evening and have a public hearing on June 10, 2025. Steve Hawkes advised he has retained an attorney and distributed two letters to the town board requesting a time line and what actions the town board intends to take. Also Steve presented to the town board a copy of Town of Minden's Chapter 90 Zoning Article 8 Supplementary Regulations 90-37 for Junkyards. The question was asked who drafted the proposal for the local law for junkyards for the town of Stark. Supervisor Bronner advised himself, Attorney Jerry Snyder, and with information they obtained off the State website. Much discussion of the enforcement of the law had to be included and needs to be enforced. Continuing with the open portion of the meeting, there was a follow up question regarding Local Law #2-2025 as to the number of members on our planning board for the town of Stark. Discussion was continued as to why not a five member planning board. Supervisor Bronner advised it was decided where the town board wanted to be and resolution would be adopted tonight and a public hearing would be held on June 10, 2025 at 7:00 pm for public discussion. At the end of discussion, the only vote would be from the town board. Open portion of the meeting was closed at 8:00 pm.

Proposal for agreement to buy the property for the sand, salt barn for 3 acres or less and title search needed. Motion was made for the contract and title search by Councilman Gerhardt and seconded by Councilman Hubiak. All approved by roll call. Next the town board discussed whether to change to NYCLASS investing. Previously it was decided to put monies into a CD account whereas in the NYCLASS the interest is 4.25% (3 times more than a CD account). The drawback is they are not fully guaranteed like a bank, but Supervisor Bronner had attended a Supervisor's meeting and that is what they are using. Supervisor Bronner needs authorization for the resolution to be made to go forward. Councilman Hubiak made motion and Councilman Grescheck seconded. All approved by roll call. Supervisor Bronner abstained being in charge of it. Another resolution needed to invest and give authority to Supervisor Bronner for the town board. Councilman Grescheck made motion and Councilman Hubiak seconded. All approved. Supervisor Bronner abstained. Next on the agenda was from Selective Insurance receiving payment for \$5189.66 total cost for the water treatment. All the repairs and heater was 100% covered. Councilman Grescheck then brought up about Emil Zajia's retirement party from the town board at the Lake House on May 31, 2025 at 5:00 pm and needed a head count who would be attending. Also received information for New York State Short Term Rental Law that they will be forcing the town to monitor and comply with the law. Nothing we have to be concerned with now but possibly in long term. Then Supervisor Bronner asked for thoughts on Local Law #3-2025 from the town board with changes to be made. There will be another planning and town board meeting on May 19, 2025 at 7:00 pm where the changes will have been completed and done and then announced at the June 10, 2025 meeting. Councilman Gerhardt made motion to adopt draft Local Law #3-2025 with changes and Councilman Voght seconded. All approved.

The town board reviewed the Supervisor's report. Councilman Grescheck made motion to approve and Councilman Hubiak seconded. All approved.

There was no town clerk report.

The town reviewed the General and Highway fund vouchers. Councilman Gerhardt made motion to pay the bills and Councilman Voght seconded. All approved.

There will be a planning and town board meeting on May 19, 2025 and the next town board meeting will be held on June 10, 2025 both at 7:00 pm.

Councilman Grescheck made motion to adjourn and Councilman Hubiak seconded. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.