

# Town of Rutland

## Town Board Minutes

May 8, 2025

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### Call to Order-

Proceedings of a Town Board Meeting held at the Rutland Municipal Office on May 8, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Supervisor Logan Eddy who led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Council Present-

Supervisor Logan Eddy

Town Council Member- Gary Eddy

Town Council Member- Lester Berghorn

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**Absent** – Town Council Member-Kenneth Gleason III and Jennifer Bossuot

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### .Public Comments- Local Law No. 2: Highway Standards for Low-Volume Roads

- **Public hearing held;** multiple residents expressed concerns over:

Fairness in road maintenance given equal tax payments.

How roads would be reclassified, and which entity decides.

Impacts of minimum maintenance designations on property value, development, and town growth.

Transparency and ensuring landowners are properly notified.

- **Board clarified:**

- Process for reclassification includes public notice and hearing.
- The Town Board, with the Highway Superintendent's assistance, reviews roads per state standards.
- CHIP funding is calculated per mile, at the same rate regardless of road type.
- No imminent change to certain roads (e.g., Hadley Rd), and the process aligns with NY State law.
- New designations aim for consistency, public input, and permanence (unlike annual designations by Highway Superintendent).
- Seasonal/minimum maintenance roads are subject to state-mandated restrictions (zoning, CO requirements, buildability).
- The intention is not to restrict growth, but to follow law and ensure fairness/town protection, Board open to collaborative solutions.
- County responsible for issues regarding declassified/condemned bridges.

Proactive, transparent, but some resident-board friction regarding future development

The public hearing closed at 6:45 pm.

### Communications –

## Monthly Reports –

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- Highway, water, and other department reports received; no questions raised.
- Water meter upgrades discussed—special meetings to be scheduled for vendor presentations; three proposals to be sought.
- Audit procedures emphasized: Board members reminded to review monthly and quarterly financial materials.

## Highway Superintendent Report –

Shawn Provided Board with his monthly report will continue cleanup when weather permits.

## Deputy Supervisor-

Claude provided a report as well as an email prior to the meeting he discussed a TIS Neptune water System.

## Assessor – No Report

**Zoning** – Report was provided by James Harter during month of April he received three new Zoning Permit Applications they were all three issued they are as follows.

Megan Clement/23561 Rex Dr.-Storage shed.

Taylor Laub/ Ashley Froedtert; 27043 Middle Rd

Jermy Cronk; CR 69. Addition

## Judges Report –

### Approval of the Minutes –

A motion was made by Logan Eddy and seconded by Les Berghorn to approve April meeting minutes.

The vote went as follows: Ayes 3 : Nays 0

**Supervisor's Report** – A motion was made by Gary Eddy and seconded by Les Berghorn to accept the Supervisor's Report as presented by the Clerk to the Supervisor, Donna Martel. The vote went as follows: Ayes 3 :Nays 0

### Approval of the Bills –

A motion was made by Logan Eddy and seconded by Gary Eddy to pay Abstract #5 Vouchers 25-00229 through 25-00278 for \$125,765.37 be paid.

The vote went as follows: Ayes 3 : Nays 0

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## Old Business-

## New Business –

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## Budget Transfers

CR: DA5148.1 Hwy Payroll / S&I Period  
DB: DA9060.8 Hospital/Medical Insurance  
Amount \$9,500.00

To balance over-expenditure in appropriations.  
CR: F8336.40 Discount on Water Rents / Refunds  
DB: F8320.2 Equipment Capital Outlay  
Amount \$1,500.00

To balance over-expenditure in appropriations with additional for year-end expenditures.  
CR: F9030.8 Social Security/Medicare  
DB: F8320.2 Equipment Capital Outlay  
Amount \$500.00

To balance over-expenditure in appropriations with additional for year-end expenditures.  
Budget Amendments  
DB: A4089 ARPA Revenue  
CR: A599 Appropriated Fund Balance  
Amount \$1,577.00

To bring in revenue of ARPA funds used for Water Rate Analysis project in 2024.  
CR: A9901.9 Interfund Transfers  
CR: A599 Appropriated Fund Balance  
Amount \$1,577.00

To balance over-expenditure by transferring ARPA funds to Water District expense.  
A motion was made by Logan Eddy and seconded by Les Berghorn to approve the Budget Transfers & Amendments.  
Transfers Resolution 6.  
The vote went as follows: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

A motion was made by Logan Eddy and seconded by  
The vote went as follows: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

## Adjournment –

A motion to adjourn at 8:57 pm was made by Lester Berghorn and seconded by at pm.  
The vote went as follows: Ayes 3 : Nays 0  
Respectfully given:

*Samantha Sawyer*  
*Town Clerk*

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