

Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Van Buren, held on July 16, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Van Buren Town Hall, 7575 Van Buren Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

Mr. Michael Burke	Councilor
Mrs. Jennifer Sullivan	Councilor
Ms. Darcie Lesniak	Councilor
Mr. Robert Grover	Deputy Supervisor
Mrs. Wendy Van Der Water	Supervisor

Absent: Mr. Roger Hand Councilor

Also Present:

Mr. Jason Hoy	Town Engineer
Mr. David Blaisdell	Acting Highway Superintendent
Ms. Lynn Precourt	Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Citizens Comments: None

Approve Meeting Minutes of regular Meeting on July 2, 2025:

155-25-000 MOTION BY Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Grover, to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on July 2, 2025 as published.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Budget Transfers and modifications:

156-25-007 MOTION BY Mr. Burke, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, to approve the following budget transfers:

FROM:	A.1990.0400	GENERAL CONTINGECNY	\$
			(531.00)
TO:	A.9055.08	GENERAL DISABILITY	\$ 531.00
	00		
		(DISABILITY WENT UP)	
FROM:	B.9060.08	PART TOWN HEALTH INS.	\$
	00		(65.70)

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TO:	B.9055.08 00	PART TOWN DISABILITY	\$	65.70
(DISABILITY WENT UP)				
FROM:	A.1990.04 00	GENERAL CONTINENCY	\$	(3,500.00)
TO:	A.5132.04 11	HIGHWAY BUILDINGS REPAIR	\$	3,500.00
(Electrical Labor for Salt Shed) lighting				

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve issuance of trash hauler licenses to Syracuse Haulers and Superior Waste Removal:
158-25-021 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Ms. Lesniak, to approve issuance of trash hauler licenses to Syracuse Haulers and Superior Waste Removal.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve state conference attendance for Assessor in Lake George, October 6 – 9 in the amount of \$1241.00 plus mileage:

159-25-027 MOTION BY Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Lesniak, to approve state conference attendance for Assessor in Lake George, October 6 – 9 in the amount of \$1241.00 plus mileage.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Appoint Theresa Golden Assessor, term to begin October 1, 2025 through 9/30/31:

160-25-002 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Burke, to appoint Theresa Golden Assessor, term to begin October 1, 2025 through 9/30/31.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Mrs. Van Der Water said we will continue to share the Assessor with the Town of Lysander.

Declare 2007 Sterling Jet Rodder as surplus equipment and authorize Highway Superintendent to take it to Auction International:

161-25-026 MOTION BY Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Grover, to declare 2007 Sterling Jet Rodder as surplus equipment and authorize Highway Superintendent to take it to Auction International.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Councilor Committee Reports and Comments:

Mr. Burke scheduled a Highway Committee meeting for July 29, 2025 at 9:00 am at the Van Buren Highway Garage.

Mrs. Sullivan said the Erie Canal Bicentennial celebration is July 24th from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Memphis Park.

Mr. Grover encourages all residents to complete the survey for the Comprehensive Land Use Committee. The survey is your chance to weigh in on what you want the town to look like in the future for development.

How to Participate

We invite you to take a few minutes to complete the Community Survey:

– Online: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TQW8H7J>

– In Person: Hard copies are available at the Town Hall: 7575 Van Buren Rd, Baldwinsville, NY 13027

Supervisor Comments:

Mrs. Van Der Water said harvesting of water chestnuts on the Seneca River has begun. She said they are doing mechanical and hand pulling now and have removed 730,000 pounds to date. She thanked the people at the County for continuing this effort.

Mrs. Van Der Water said she received a monthly report from the Codes Office, they have issued 21 building permits and one violation for tall grass.

Mrs. Van Der Water reminded everyone the town's new website is vanburenny.gov.

Mrs. Van Der Water read a letter from NYSTCA that the clerk has met the requirements to renew her Registered Municipal Clerk designation.

Highway Superintendent Comments:

Mr. Blaisdell said the crew has been working on Submarine Course. He said they are making drainage improvements before paving that road.

Mrs. Van Der Water thanked them for the work they've been doing this summer.

Engineer Comments: None

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Attorney Comments: None

162-25-014 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Burke, to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue at 7:12 pm.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

163-25-014 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Burke, to close the Executive Session and resume the regular meeting at 8:15 pm.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

164-25-000 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Burke, to adjourn to the next Regular Town Board meeting on August 6, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Meeting closed 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Precourt
Town Clerk

Dated: 7/17/25