

Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Van Buren, held on July 2, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Van Buren Town Hall, 7575 Van Buren Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

Mr. Michael Burke	Councilor
Mr. Roger Hand	Councilor
Mrs. Jennifer Sullivan	Councilor
Ms. Darcie Lesniak	Councilor
Mr. Robert Grover	Deputy Supervisor

Absent: Mrs. Wendy Van Der Water, Supervisor

Also Present:

Mr. Jason Hoy	Town Engineer
Mr. David Blaisdell	Acting Highway Superintendent
Mr. Daniel Quackenbush	OCRRA Representative for Town
Ms. Lynn Precourt	Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Approve minutes of the June 18, 2025 Regular Town Board Meeting:

151-25-000 MOTION BY Mr. Hand, seconded by Mr. Burke, to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on June 18, 2025 as published.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Citizens Comments: None

Approve issuance of trash hauler license to Dependable Disposal, Morgan Rubbish Removal and Butler Disposal:

152-25-021 MOTION BY Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Hand, to approve issuance of trash hauler license to Dependable Disposal, Morgan Rubbish Removal and Butler Disposal.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Dan Quackenbush, OCRRA Representative – Update:

Mr. Quackenbush said OCRRA has been discussing alternatives in case the waste to energy plant breaks down again in the future. He said they are also developing a replacement plan for

equipment; they purchased many pieces of equipment in 2017 and they are failing at the same time. He said the board is very reactionary rather than being able to look forward.

Mr. Quackenbush said they are renewing the permit for the ash landfill for Site 31 in Van Buren while negotiating with the County Executive about alternative uses for the site. He said no new information has come to the OCRRA Board of Directors but he will continue to seek information that will be helpful to town officials about future use of the site.

Authorize Supervisor to sign Grant of Easement with Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and Verizon relative to Nexamp parcel Tax Map No. 042.-01-03.1:

153-25-015 MOTION BY Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Ms. Lesniak, to authorize Supervisor to sign Grant of Easement with Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and Verizon relative to Nexamp parcel Tax Map No. 042.-01-03.1.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Presentation by RIC Energy:

Mr. Rob Queirolo, RIC Energy, was present to address the Board. He said they were before the Board over a year ago presenting a plan for a solar array on property at 7121 Van Buren Road. He said at that time the Board had some concerns and he believes this new proposal addresses many of them. He said they have reduced the acreage from 42 to 34 acres. The previous plan had overhead lines and this plan eliminates them on Van Buren Road. He said they also set aside 30 acres, that includes wetlands, to accommodate 20 building lots consistent with R-40 zoning regulations.

Mr. Hoy said this property is within the Consolidated County Sewer District and the Town Code prohibits solar farms within that district.

Ms. Lesniak said because that district may never be expanded the town has chosen to reserve property in that area for development.

Xavier Aguirre, property owner, said the family would like to keep the area as green space. Having a solar array allows them to do that while generating income to maintain the property. He said it is their wish that the next generation of their family decide what to do with the land.

Councilor Committee Reports and Comments:

Mrs. Sullivan wished everyone a Happy 4th of July.

Supervisor Comments:

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Mr. Grover said the survey for the Comprehensive Land Use Committee is on the website and he encouraged everyone to participate. Click here to go to the survey <https://vanburennny.gov/take-the-van-buren-community-survey/>

Highway Superintendent Comments: None

Engineer Comments: None

Attorney Comments: None

154-25-000 MOTION BY Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Hand, to adjourn to the next Regular Town Board Meeting on July 16, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Ms. Lesniak – Yes
Motion Carried & Adopted

Meeting closed 7:32 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Precourt
Town Clerk

Dated: 7/3/25