

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford was held on March 12, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town of Stamford Municipal Building with the following present:

Supervisor: John Kosier
Councilperson: Daniel Deysenroth
Councilperson: David Post
Councilperson: Julie Sechrist
Councilperson: Jake Palmatier
Dep. Hwy – Kevin Rinehart

Also present: Liz Paige, Duane Martin, Ruthanne Van Buren, Jackie Lamport, Ken Goepel, Ayhan Dargin, Andrew Flacch, Brent Trimbell, Jessica Watson, Molly Oliver, Doug McMullen

The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 6:01 pm and started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A MOTION was made by David Post and second by Julie Sechrist to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Daniel Deysenroth and second by Julie Sechrist to approve the Supervisor's monthly report. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

Questions were had about SK lights, Driver Interaction, Money that we get, 75% stays with us. And Delaware Co. no longer wants to mow cemeteries, so we will need a plan for those.

A MOTION was made by Daniel Deysenroth and second by David Post to approve General bills Abstract for the March Abstracts dated March 12, 2025 for A in the amount of \$4461.94 claim nos A2524-A2538 and B in the amount of \$3051.26 claim nos B2501 and SL in the amount of \$76.07 claim no SL2503 for a total of \$7589.27. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Julie Sechrist and second by David Post to approve South Kortright Sewer District bills abstract dated March 12, 2025 in the amount of \$9186.23 for claim nos SK 2504-2508. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by David Post and second by Julie Sechrist to approve Highway Bills Abstracts dated March 12, 2025 for DA in the amount of \$16596.94 claim nos DA 2509-2515 & DB in the amount of \$14328.97 claim nos DB 2503-2505 for a total of \$30,925.91. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

With Jon's passing the Town has a few options. We can appoint someone to finish the year or finish the term. We could move to make the position open to other Town residents. Kevin has been doing well but the Department needs a leader. When can it be on ballot to have an appointed position rather than elected? If the public wants to make changes – who is running? Does that need to be filed by a certain time? Board can then let people know. Superintendent is not hourly, or part of the Union, it is a salaried position as of right now.

Other updates from the Highway are that Narrow Notch had a washout, but it was taken care of. Winter, hopefully, is over for snow removal. The sand is almost gone and they garage is empty. The broom was serviced and taken out. There was an issue with the water but they are working on it. Martin, Scutt and Campagna are on the schedule for this year and paid for by CHIPS.

Mary Oliver came to speak about the Friends of the Upper Delaware River. She is visiting Towns in the Watershed and wants to see what help we might need such as stabilizing banks, replace culverts, etc. She is just checking in to see what is needed. Funding may be a little off schedule but usually applications go in around September with answers around November. They also deal with recreational, habitat, flooding, water quality, slope stabilization and fishing access and boat launch areas. molly@fudr.org

Ken Goepell helped to orchestrate the repair of lights to the Town of Stamford sign and the lights facing the flag and the flag itself that was tangled. He got help from Brad Tripp and Don VanEtten. The Board thanks all involved.

The new owner of the Coleman Farm, Ayhan Dargin, says all is going well. He lost some geese and chickens, but he is learning and hopeful to contribute what the community needs.

Doug McMullen came to the meeting to discuss issues at the Harpersfield Transfer Station, particularly with Luis and his son running their side hustle there. We pay to use the Transfer Station but we do not have any say in it. He will have to touch base with the Town of Harpersfield. He also said that he would like to run for Supervisor against John Kosier.

The Board members that need to run this year are John Kosier as Supervisor, Daniel Deysenroth as councilperson and David Post as councilperson. David Post will probably retire so there will be one vacant seat. Daniel Deysenroth will be on the ballot in November.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2025 was introduced by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we move into Executive Session at 6:32 pm to discuss a personnel matter.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, Daniel Deysenroth, David Post, Julie Sechrist and Jake Palmatier

NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-2025 was introduced by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we move out of Executive Session at 6:45 pm with no decisions made.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, Daniel Deysenroth, David Post, Julie Sechrist and Jake Palmatier

NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

While no decisions were made, the Board has opted to look into the Highway Supervisor questions from the Board of Elections and our Attorney to see what should happen, how fast we should move, if we want to appoint for now, why we would want to appoint in the future, etc. Brent Trimbell, former Board Member and person interested in running for Highway Superintendent, thinks that John Kosier can also temporarily fill the position.

A MOTION was made by Daniel Deysenroth and seconded by Julie Sechrist to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

WE, the undersigned members of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford, Delaware County, New York, do hereby certify that we have examined the minutes of the previous meeting and found them to be correct and accurate as recorded.

Supervisor_____

Councilperson_____

Councilperson_____

Councilperson_____

Councilperson_____

Attest_____

Town Clerk

Town of Stamford	Supervisor's Report				Feb-25		
	General Townwide	General Part-Town	Highway Townwide	Highway Part-Town	SK Light	SK Walls	Sewer Dist.
Beginning Balance:	\$ 651,027.39	\$ 60,786.69	\$ 343,803.47	\$ 294,906.57	\$ 4,530.60	\$ 2,473.24	\$ 38,254.06
REVENUES							
Interest Earned	\$ 525.09	\$ 73.07	\$ 675.65	\$ 557.64			\$ 48.71
Town Taxes	\$ 356,418.00	\$ 44,088.00	\$ 249,091.00	\$ 292,670.00	\$ 1,000.00		
County Road Fund							
Town Clerk Fees	\$ 1.38		\$ 9,608.36				
Dog Fees	\$ 18.00						
Quill Refund	\$ 101.98						
Fenruary Court Fines	\$ 1,765.00						
Stamford Village Apts. Pilot	\$ 4,510.00						
4 Permits		\$ 275.00					
SKCS Sewer Rents							\$ 5,889.61
NYC Qtr Pmt							\$ 27,500.46
Charter Communications	\$ 415.84						
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 363,755.29	\$ 44,436.07	\$ 259,375.01	\$ 293,227.64	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 33,438.78
EXPENDITURES							
Abstracts	\$ 4,665.19	\$ 3,236.84	\$ 8,500.23	\$ 8,982.31	\$ 75.06		\$ 9,689.74
Health Insurance	\$ 3,885.54		\$ 7,171.08				
Payroll & Fringe	\$ 15,926.36	\$ 939.28	\$ 21,395.85				
Total Expenses	\$ 24,477.09	\$ 4,176.12	\$ 37,067.16	\$ 8,982.31	\$ 75.06		\$ 9,689.74
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 990,305.59	\$ 71,046.64	\$ 566,111.32	\$ 579,151.90	\$ 5,455.54		\$ 62,003.10

DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
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2025 POLITICAL CALENDAR

February 14 Change of enrollment must be received effective immediately. Any change of enrollment made between February 15 – July 1 shall be effective July 1st.

DESIGNATING PETITIONS

February 25 First day to sign
March 31-April 3 Dates for filing
April 7 Last day to file authorization: last day to accept or decline

INDEPENDENT PETITIONS

April 15 First day to sign
May 20– 27 Dates for filing
May 30 Last day to accept or decline (certificate must be filed at BOE)
June 27 Last day to decline after acceptance if nominee loses primary

☞ TUESDAY, JUNE 24th ☞

PRIMARY ELECTION - POLLS OPEN AT 6AM - CLOSE AT 9 PM
DATES FOR REGISTRATION, ENROLLMENT AND ABSENTEE BALLOTS

June 14 Last day application must be received by the Board of Elections to be eligible to vote in primary election.
June 9 Last day for County Board of Elections to receive a change of address from registered voter.
June 14 Last day for County Board of Elections to receive application or letter of application by mail or online portal for primary ballot.
June 23 Last day to apply, in person or by agent, application for absentee ballot.
June 24 Last day to postmark ballot. Ballot must be received by July 1.
June 24 Last day for ballot to be delivered in person to the Board of Elections, or your poll site before polls close.
Early voting for Primary June 14 – June 22, 2025

☞ TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th ☞

GENERAL ELECTION - POLLS OPEN AT 6 AM - CLOSE AT 9 PM
DATES FOR REGISTRATION, ENROLLMENT AND ABSENTEE BALLOTS

October 25 Last day application must be received by the Board of Elections to be eligible to vote in the General Election.
October 20 Last day for Board of Elections to receive a change of address from registered voter.
October 25 Last day for the Board of Elections to receive application or letter of application by mail or online portal for General Election absentee ballot.
November 3 Last day to apply in person for General Election absentee ballot.
November 4 Last day to postmark ballot. Ballot must be received by November 12.
November 4 Last day for ballot to be delivered in person to the Board of Elections or to your poll site, by close of polls.
Early Voting for General October 25 – November 2, 2025

BOARD OF ELECTION OFFICE HOURS
ABSENTEE VOTING
MON - FRI 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
<https://www.delcony.us/departments/elec/elec.htm>

Brent G Trimbell
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February 26, 2025

Stamford Town Board
101 Maple Avenue
Hobart, NY 13788
To the Town Board of Stamford, New York

My name is Brent G Trimbell. My wife Desiree and I have been town residents since 2008. Now we have a family of three children which contribute to the local communities in various ways. I was a town councilman for 5 years and felt I made a positive impact to the board/town in many ways.

I own/operate Lasting Impression Landscape & Excavation located in Hobart, NY. Since developing/ operating full time in 2008 I committed to surround myself with hardworking, dedicated and knowledgeable staff. Currently I employ 6 full time workers with a part time administrative assistant. My business is broke into two divisions with foreman's leading both crews. My managerial style allows these two individuals to perform their jobs with me making sure they have all of the resources needed. I'm a firm believer in mutual respect in the workplace. If a leader doesn't show/give respect, how do they expect any in return? You have to be fair and compassionate but stern. A leader must set the tone from day one; they must clearly state their expectations and ask the team what expectations they have of them. A leader expects results; they shouldn't have to ask for them! The Highway department heavily relies on teamwork. Without this key ingredient, a team will crumble from within.

I am asking that the town board consider me to fulfill the duties of our late & respected town highway superintendent, John Ballard. I plan on campaigning and running in the November 2025 election. I feel the appointment would allow me to prove myself to the town's people, but most importantly the employees that I am the right man for this job. I set work progression goals every day and so does my team. Do we hit them every day, no!!! This always allows us to strive and do better. With my knowledge of excavation, heavy equipment and operation, budgeting, managerial, the proper way to maintain roads and more to list, I feel to be a valuable asset to the community/team.

So in closing, please consider Brent G. Trimbell as the appointed highway superintendent of Stamford for the remainder of term.

Respectfully,

Brent G. Trimbell

Town Board, Town of Stamford
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ATTN: John Kosier, David Post, Daniel Deysenroth, Julie Sechrist & Jake Palmatier

Dear Board members,

I am writing this letter in support of longtime resident of the Town of Stamford, and local businessman, Brent Trimbell, in his interest in being appointed as the acting Town Highway Superintendent. I understand he has full intention to run for the position in the upcoming 2025 election and feel that this is a great opportunity for him to show the people of the Town of Stamford what he is capable of.

I have full respect for Brent on many levels. He is an active and committed member of the community, he works hard and makes sure things are done timely and effectively, he is a working boss, he is well versed in running a business in a cost effective manner, and he is there for the people of this town. Brent earns respect every step of the way because he gives it in return. I know many members of the community that feel the same and agree that he would be a good candidate for the elected position, and I strongly feel that he deserves a chance to prove himself to those that may be on the fence prior to the polls opening.

Unfortunately the Town of Stamford Highway department is a sinking ship that needs a new captain on board to straighten it all out. Someone that the guys can go to when there is an issue and someone who is going to be a leader and make a change rather than be a yes man. I feel that Brent can do all of these things and I do not feel that this entity of the town should go without qualified guidance and supervision until the 2025 election. At the end of the day Brent as a tax payer, is there for the tax payers.

As a tax payer and resident of the town myself, I want to be sure that my tax dollars are being utilized in an appropriate manner. Without leadership, I can foresee this not being the case, and things being done that will cost more in the long run. I feel Brent is the best man for the job and not just because of the current circumstances, but because he gets it and want to do right by the members of this town. I truly hope, as board members, elected by the people, that you will consider this as a feasible interim option. I feel this is an equivocal matter to when Julie and Jake were appointed to their Town Board seats pre-election and it would only be a fair option to appoint Brent as the interim highway superintendent under the same guidelines. Things need to be fixed before the election so let it happen now before things get worse.

Thank you

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