

**TOWN OF READING BOARD MEETING**  
**February 12, 2025**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor S. Miller, Councilperson C. Stamp, Councilperson C. Richtmyer, Councilperson J. Rumsey, Hwy. Supt. J. Switzer, and Clerk T. Alger.

**ABSENT:** Councilperson P. Gill

**VISITORS:**

Mark Rondinaro – Schuyler County Legislature

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**VISITOR’S COMMENTS:**

Mark Rondinaro, Schuyler County Legislature, provided January. Sales Tax Information. January Tax Revenue was \$1,059,777 up \$118,258 for an increase of \$9.24% From 2024.

**RESOLUTION #5** Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to accept the January 8, 2025 minutes as written. Seconded by Councilperson C. Richtmyer

AYES:	Councilperson -C. Stamp	NAYS: none
	Councilperson- C. Richtmyer	
	Councilperson-J. Rumsey	
	Supervisor-S. Miller	

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

PLANNING: 2 Minor Subdivision Applicants, and a Site Plan Applications, Modification STR Local Law No. 1 Of 2025 discussed to certify septic systems installed before 1975 and the creation of the Sch. Co. Watershed Dept.

HIGHWAY: Superintendent J. Switzer read his report.

LANDFILL: No report

CLERK: Clerk Alger read her report

**OLD BUSINESS**

Hunt Engineering, inquired as to the cost of the bid accepted for the Engineering Study for proposed new water district. The Engineering bid was awarded to Square Engineering for a cost of \$22,000.

We will review the revisions to the Local Law 2 of 2003 and Local Law 1 of 2023 Amendments with Atty’s Krogh’s notes at the March meeting and schedule a Public Hearing.

**RESOLUTION #6** Councilman C. Stamp made a motion to sign the 284 Agreement listing major road projects for 2025 which will be forwarded to the County for signature and returned. Seconded by C. Richtmyer

AYES: Councilperson C. Stamp  
Councilperson C. Stamp  
Councilperson C. Richtmyer  
Supervisor Miller

NAYS: none

The Town Board reviewed the tentative Intermunicipal document between WGCSD, The Town of Reading, and Schuylar County to share appraisal fees regarding 2 petitioners filed against the 2024 assessment roll.

Motion made by C. Stamp to pay upcoming appraisal fee invoices. Seconded by J. Rumsey

Clerk Alger did a final revision and submitted to the Joann Lindstrom, County Planner, the Economic Development Fund Application for funding for the feasibility study for the proposed new water district. V

**RESOLUTION #7-** Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to grant permission for Highway Supt. J. Switzer, to attend Advocacy Day in Albany on March 4, 2025. Overnight lodging is \$233. Travel expenses approved and not to exceed \$250. Seconded by Councilperson J. Rumsey

AYES: Councilperson C. Stamp  
Councilperson C. Stamp  
Councilperson C. Richtmyer  
Supervisor Miller

NAYS: none

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Clerk Alger has submitted documentation and the quote for rechargeable battery operated tools on February 11<sup>th</sup> for the \$10,000 NYSERDA grant for the Clean Energy Communities Grant. We should hear back soon if we will be awarded it.

The Highway Dept. and Town Clerk have suggested a date of Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 – Noon for Dumpster Day.

C. Stamp made a motion to grant permission for Supervisor Miller to write a letter to WG Promotions allowing them to utilize Town of Reading roads during the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival in the fall of 2025. Seconded by J. Rumsey Supervisor Miller will send a letter to WG Promotions.

An audit of Annual Checklist for Review of Justice Court Records was performed by Councilpersons C. Richtmyer and Councilperson J. Rumsey

**RESOLUTION #8:** Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to accept Justice John Norman’s audit. Seconded by Councilperson J. Rumsey

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act, the Board of the Town of Reading is required to confirm that the records and dockets of the Town Justice Court of Judge Norman be audited, and that the fact of the auditing be reflected in the minutes of the proceedings of this Board; and

WHEREAS, Councilpersons C. Richtmyer and J. Rumsey have performed said audit on February 12, 2025 of Town Judge Norman’s records from January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board in compliance with the Uniform Justice Court Act §2019-a, and to reflect in the minutes of its proceedings that such audit has occurred; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Town Board of Reading does hereby acknowledge that the audit of the records of Town Justice John Norman required under Uniform Justice Court Act § 2019-a has been conducted, and that the Justice Court Audit Report has been received by the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Clerk forward to the New York State Office of Court Administration a copy of said Justice Court Audit Report and a copy of this Resolution.

AYES:	Councilperson C. Stamp	NAYS: none
	Councilperson C. Richtmyer	
	Councilperson J. Rumsey	
	Supervisor S. Miller	

Town Clerk and Supervisor Audits will be performed by councilmembers at the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:00 PM. Will budget money next year for a audit by a private accounting firm at a cost of around \$10,000.

**RESOLUTION #9** Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to approve the Additional Budget amendments for General Funds dated December 31, 2024. Seconded by J. Rumsey

AYES:	Councilperson C. Stamp	NAYS: none
	Councilperson C. Richtmyer	
	Councilperson J. Rumsey	
	Supervisor S. Miller	

**RESOLUTION #10** Councilperson C. Stamp made a motion to approve the Additional Budget amendments for Highway Funds dated December 31, 2024. Seconded by J. Rumsey

AYES:	Councilperson C. Stamp	NAYS: none
	Councilperson C. Richtmyer	
	Councilperson J. Rumsey	
	Supervisor S. Miller	

COMMUNICATION:

- Email from NYSEDA for submission of proposal for Clean Energy Communities Program
- Email from S. Chalifoux, Attorney, regarding cost of Appraisals
- Letter from NYS Dept. of Taxation regarding 2025 Tentative Telecommunications Ceilings.
- Letter from WG Promotions regarding Grand Prix festival September 5, 2025
- Letter from Sch. Co. Soil and Water Conservation District regarding some concerns they had.

**RESOLUTION #11** Councilperson J. Rumsey made a motion to pay Abstract # 002 as follows; seconded by Councilperson C. Stamp

General Town wide	\$	12,559.96
Town Outside Village	\$	4,182.69
Highway Town wide	\$	14,338.67
Highway Outside Village	\$	6,205.17
Fire District #1 (WG)	\$	89,830.40
Fire District #2 (Dundee)	\$	7,226.58
Sewer	\$	518.60
Total:	\$	134,862.07

AYES: Councilperson C. Stamp  
Councilperson C. Richtmyer  
Councilperson J. Rumsey  
Supervisor – S. Miller

NAYS: none

Councilperson C. Richtmyer made a motion to adjourn regular meeting at 8:40 PM Seconded by Councilperson J. Rumsey