

TOWN OF FLOYD BOARD MEETING

Minutes – October 7, 2025

At 6:00 PM Supervisor Kenneth Eisnor called the meeting to order, stated that all Town Board Meetings are Voice Recorded and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Officials present: Supervisor Kenneth Eisnor, Councilmen Alston J. Huey Jr., Fred Mazza, Robert Evans, and Daniel Schwertfeger, Town Clerk Tracy Sexton, Zoning and Building Codes Officer Kenneth Pfendler, Town Attorney Kathryn Festine, Water Superintendent Michelle Kotary, and Highway Superintendent Jerome E. Alexander Jr.

- **NOCOG Representative Lisa Bellinger** gave a brief report. See attached.

Zoning, Building and Fire Codes Enforcement Officer Kenneth Pfendler gave a Zoning, Building and Fire Code Report of activities:

2-Sep 25-62 7777 Soule Road Replace Garage \$75
2-Sep 25-63 7349 Charles Road Replace Leech Field \$50
8-Sep 25-64 8699 Boak Road American Homes Modular House \$450
9-Sep 25-66 8119 Middle Road Vanderhook Const. Exterior Deck \$100
10-Sep 25-68 8671 Boak Road Manufactured House \$300
15-Sep 25-69 7422 Soule Road, 1st Ave, Lot 31 Green Mansions Dave's Quality Homes Manufactured House \$200
Total Applications Received / Permits Issued (January 1st, 2025 - Present): 76
Total Building or Zoning Permits Issued for Month of September: 06
Total Permits on Hold: 04
Issued Certificates of Compliance/Occupancy: 05
Orders to Comply Issued: 02
For the month there were various types of inspections being conducted for some of the new and existing building permits. Continue discussions for chicken coops, ponds, demolition /clean-up of condemned or abandoned houses in the town and cemeteries. Received new 2025 NYS Code books, all new construction after Dec 31st, 2025, is to be all electric, no natural gas, propane, fuel oil, etc. Current ZBA applications include Dyna-Vac new manufacturing building (ON HOLD), expansion of Twin Ponds Park (FUTURE).

Board Comments:

Highway Superintendent Jerome Alexander gave a brief report. Rickmyer Road bridge is completed and opened. The tennis courts have been paved and the basketball hoops just need to be put up. Mckern road has been shouldered and paved. Sand is being hauled, and salt is already on site. Brush pick up is coming up on October 15th and there are two more transfer station days in October. Jerome is looking at a 2025 GMC Sierra 2500, 4 wheel drive, regular cab pick-up truck from Nimey's for the Sanitation Department, It will have a backup alarm, and a plow. The total would be \$61,755 minus the trade in value.

Jerome received the DOT Annual Certification of Local Highway mileage.

Councilman Daniel Schwertfeger made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2025 GMC Sierra 2500 for a cost of \$61,755 minus the trade in, seconded by Councilman Fred Mazza, carried.

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Water Superintendent Michelle Kotary submitted a monthly report.

Attorney Kathryn Festine gave a report. She had a request from Supervisor Eison and the Planning Board to amend the scheduling of the Zoning Ordinance, dealing with height limitations for accessory buildings in (RA) Residential Agricultural and Commercial zones limited to 20 feet, where the board and Ken think it would be better for 30 feet. She wrote the law such that the maximum building two stories or 30 feet, in the principal structure or use is in conformance with the zoning ordinance and the height thereof is not less than 35 feet.

Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to introduce the Local Law Number 4 of 2025, seconded by Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr., carried.

Councilman Robert Evans made a motion to approve a public hearing for Local Law Number 4 of 2025 on November 5, 2025 at 5:30 PM, seconded by Councilman Fred Mazza, carried.

Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to declare this law an unlisted action for SEQR purposes, seconded by Councilman Daniel Schwertfeger, carried.

She informed the board that National Grid wants to adjust the power lines that go through a cemetery within the town. They gave her a map of their project, and she does not like the way the easement was written. A National Grid representative is going to tighten the language and return it to Kathryn next month.

The Planning Board and Codes Officer have asked if she would be able to amend the storage container law. She gave a copy to the board members and said if they want to go through with it she will prepare a local law for the next meeting.

Town Clerk Tracy Sexton gave a report. There were many hunting licenses sold this month. The revenue was \$3,081 this past month. She said her new software is much easier.

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Historian Sally Tagliere gave a report that stated the Floyd Historians met for a Sept. meeting. Even so, they had an informative meeting, learning a bit more about Grover Cleveland, and discussing local cemeteries. October 21 will be their finale meeting date at 5 pm. This will be held at the former Presbyterian Church at Camroden Corners. They needed to schedule earlier for those who don't drive after dark.

Board Comments

Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr. asked if they have approached the Union that they are decertifying from the town since there are no members of the union. Town Attorney, Kathryn Festine is looking into the legalities of how to do this. There are limitations on when the petitions can be brought up. He is asking this because the town is looking to hire new people, and they have the right to be in the Union if it is not decertified. Jerome Alexander said he knows a contact that will be able to help with this, and he will give the name to Attorney Kathryn Festine.

Old Business:

- a. Rome Water Rate will remain the same @ \$5.2262 per 1000 gallons
- b. APRP CD has been closed out to pay for Tennis Courts and garage doors.

New Business:

- c. Waiting for a quote from Hydra Dive Tech with issues found in the water tank.
- d. Supervisor Eisnor and the Town Board looked over the quote from Franklin Miller for bulk water fill station.
- e. The 2026 Preliminary Budget was handed to the Town Clerk, Tracy Sexton on 9/30/25.
- f. City of Rome Residents Trash pickup letter to go out in November. It will be \$300/house (it is \$290 for Floyd Residents). This remained the same.
- g. Tim Begian called and said the Amish requested the water fill station be open later than 4:00PM. The board will make a decision on this at a later date.
- h. Supervisor Eisnor received a quote from E-Z

Companies for \$42,000 to line the tennis courts. He is going to advertise in the paper for other quotes in the spring.

Budget Modifications:

General decrease Contingency 19904.1.4 \$5542
Increase Records Mgmt. 14601.1.4
\$5542 for end of year payroll

General decrease Planning 80204.1 \$150
Increase Publicity CE 64104.1 \$150 for
newspaper postings (\$300)

General decrease Zoning CE 80104.1 \$150
Increase Publicity CE 64104.1 \$150 for
newspaper postings (\$300)

General decrease Contingency 19904.1 \$1740
Increase Data Processing 16804.1 \$1740 for
Town Clerk S/W

Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr. made a motion to approve the above general budget amendments, seconded by Councilman Daniel Schwertfeger, carried.

Highway decrease Bridges 51204.2 \$50,000
Increase General Repairs 51101.2 \$50,000 for
end of season payroll

Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to approve the above general budget amendments, seconded by Councilman Robert Evans, carried.

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Approval of Supervisor and Town Clerk minutes:
Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to approve the September 2, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes as presented by the Town Clerk, seconded by Councilman Daniel Schwertfeger, carried.

Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to approve the September 18, 2025 Budget Workshop Minutes as presented by the Town Clerk, seconded by Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr., carried

Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr. made a motion to approve the September 25, 2025 Budget Workshop Minutes as

presented by the Town Clerk, seconded by Councilman Robert Evans, carried.

Approval of Warrants:

Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr. made a motion to pay the General Warrants from Claim #25A436 to Claim #25A487, totaling \$114,634.52 seconded by Councilman Robert Evans, carried.

Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr. made a motion to pay the Refuse & Garbage Warrants from Claim #25SR111 to Claim #25SR125 totaling \$13,763.34 seconded by Councilman Fred Mazza, carried.

Councilman Robert Evans made a motion to pay the Water Improvement Warrants from Claim #25SW139 to Claim #25SW156, totaling \$84,893.85 seconded by Councilman Fred Mazza, carried.

Councilman Daniel Schwertfeger made a motion to pay the Highway Warrants from Claim #25DA261 to Claim #25DA292, totaling \$79,369.87, seconded by Councilman Alston J. Huey Jr., carried.

Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to pay the Trust & Agency Warrants from Claim #25TA113 to Claim #25TA125, totaling \$3,980.46, seconded by Councilman Robert Evans, carried.

Calendar:

Next Board Meeting- November 5, 2025 at 5:30 (for local law #4), 5:45 PM (for the budget), and 6:00 PM (town business)

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Comments from the public:

A town resident on Edwards Rd. raised concerns about his well drying up. He asked if there were any plans to expand the water district and brought up that he has heard that the town may start charging to use the water station. Supervisor Eisnor responded that he does not know how to tell over 900 residents that pay for their water, that the town is giving away water for free. The resident responded that he is paying for the electricity to draw the water up from the well.

Another resident brought up that she is grateful for the water station. She also asked if the town would be willing to bring up

the Water District because she would be willing to pay for the water. Supervisor Eisnor said they are looking into it. Ten years ago, they looked into doing this, but the funding was pulled. She is also asking for them to keep the water station open at night for working families or on a Saturday. Supervisor Eisnor said they will discuss this. Highway Superintendent Jerome Alexander said that to expand the water district it would be too expensive for people to afford it without a grant. Whether people want the water or not, they would still have to pay for the piping to go through their land.

Another town resident stated that she was originally able to get city water only because their water was contaminated from Griffith Air Base so therefore that was covered by a grant.

Supervisor Eisnor said that anyone individual can go door to door and petition for the water district. He also said he will try to reach out to the Governor's office and see if there is any funding. He also discussed that they want to open the water station more but in the past residents from other areas were taking advantage of the situation. The board concluded that they are going to open the water station until 8:00 PM on Thursdays. They are also going to discuss opening on Saturdays.

The board also discussed that there was a huge bill for the fire district water. It started when they got the new meter installed. Supervisor Eisnor said that he will look into it and find a solution.

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Adjourn:

At 7:14 PM Councilman Fred Mazza made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Daniel Schwertfeger, carried.

Town Clerk