

Regular Meeting Minutes of the Vestal Town Board
December 3, 2025

TOWN BOARD PRESENT:

Supervisor Maria Sexton
Councilwoman Suzanne Messina
Councilman Glenn Miller
Councilman Robert Greene
Councilman Matthew Padbury

ALSO ATTENDING: Town Clerk Debra Wallace, Town Attorney Daniel Reynolds and 4 members of the public.

Supervisor Sexton convened the meeting at 6:00 PM.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

Motion approving of November 19th, 2025, Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

3. BID OPENINGS

4. PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Local Law “L” of the year 2025 entitled: “Imposing a twelve (12) month moratorium on Battery Energy Storage Systems and Battery Recycling Facilities.”

No one wishing to speak the Supervisor closed the Public Hearing.

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On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

R2025- 290 Approval of Local Law “L” 2025

Proposed Local Law “L” of the year 2025 entitled: “Imposing a twelve (12) month moratorium on Battery Energy Storage Systems and Battery Recycling Facilities.”

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

R2025-291 Approval of Type 2 Action

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5. SUPERVISOR UPDATE

A carousel is being restored and will be at Arnold Park, information is available on the Town website.

Middendorf Park will have a 2-month trial of dogs allowed in the park. Please see the Town website for details.

6. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

7. RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

8. PUBLIC WORKS (MESSINA/Greene)

9. FINANCE (MESSINA/Greene)

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On a motion by Councilman Greene and seconded by Councilman Padbury, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

R2025-292 Approval to Renew Agreement with BC Office for Aging

Resolution authorizing the renewal of the agreement with Broome County Office for Aging for operation and lease space of the Vestal Senior Center, 201 Main Street, Vestal, for the term 01/01/2026 – 12/31/2026. There will be no charge to the County for the use of this space.

On a motion by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Padbury, the following was

AMENDED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0



R2025-293 Approval of Sewer Budget Amendment

Resolution for approval of a Sewer Department budget amendment to transfer \$87,892.00 from line S2701.2701 to line S8310-4581 to cover Endicott Sewer invoice.

10. PERSONNEL (MESSINA/Greene)

11. PLANNING & ZONING (GREENE/Messina)

12. PUBLIC SAFETY (MESSINA/Greene)

On a motion by Councilman Greene and seconded by Councilman Padbury, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5

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Nays 0

R2025-294 Approval to Accept Donation from BCDA Office

Resolution for the Town Board to accept a donation in the amount of \$8,700 from the Broome County District Attorney's Office. This funding will be utilized to purchase, and upfit, an enclosed cargo trailer for the Police Departments Child Safety Seat Program. These funds should be allocated to the Police Departments operations line, A3120-4060, as the purchase is planned for 2025.

13. ADMINISTRATION (GREENE/Messina)

On a motion by Councilman Padbury and seconded by Councilman Miller, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury

Ayes 5

Nays 0



R2025-295 Approval of Supervisor to Sign Grant Agreement with BCYB

Resolution for the Supervisor to sign Grant Agreement CA65-173 for the Broome County Youth Bureau regarding the Sports Program.

RECEIVE AND FILE:

- Warrants: 2025: 47G, 47C, 47M, 47T. 48G, 48C
- Change of Tenant: Platinum Roofing & Construction, LLC; BCTMP 158.14-1-14
- Clerk's Monthly Report November

14. PETITIONS & PROTESTS

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

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On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

R2025-296 Approval to Sign Agreement with BC Human Society

Resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign an agreement with the Broome County Humane Society Relief Association, Inc. The term of the agreement is from January 1, 2026, through and including December 31, 2028.

On a motion by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

R2025-297 Approval of Trial Dog Park Program

Resolution for Town Board approval of a trial program to allow dogs in Middendorf Park.

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Padbury, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury
Ayes 5
Nays 0

R2025-298 Approval to Sign Grant Application for Invasive Species Abatement

Resolution for Town Board approval authorizing the Supervisor to sign a grant application for invasive species abatement.

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Miller, the following was

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Ayes 5

Nays 0

Town Attorney Daniel Reynolds stated that there is a draft of the lease agreement available. Reynolds asked if the Town Board would like to Table this matter until the next Town Board Meeting?

Councilman Miller stated that if the amount stays the same, he is fine with moving ahead.

Councilman Greene state he agrees with Miller as long as amounts don't change.

R2025-299 Approval of Supervisor to Sign Agreement with Village of JC

Resolution for Town Board approval authorizing the Supervisor to execute an intermunicipal agreement with the Village of Johnson City providing space for Vestal Courts in consideration of payment by the Town to the Village in the amount of \$66,000.00 per year.

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Padbury, the following was

ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Miller, Greene, Padbury

Ayes 5

Nays 0

R2025-300 Approval to Sign Contract with Apptegy

Resolution for Town Board approval authorizing the Supervisor to sign a contract with Apptegy to enhance services on the Town website at a cost of \$5,000.00 per year.

17. SUPERVISORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- The Recreation Department Fall Flyer is out and available at vestalrecreation.com. Please see the website for information on upcoming Recreation events.
 - Christmas Tree Lighting & Sing-A-Long will be on Friday, December 5th at 6:30 pm. Santa & Mrs. Claus will be there.
 - Gingerbread House Decorating will be on Saturday, December 13th. Pre-registration is required and there are limited spots available.
 - Registration is open for the Father-Daughter Ball which will be February 21, 2026, at the Doubletree by Hilton, Water St. Binghamton
- Regular scheduled leaf pickup has ended.
- Highway department is asking that portable basketball hoops be moved away from roadways and curbs, especially during the winter season for plowing.
- Winter parking rules began on December 1st and will last through March 31st. Parking of vehicles is prohibited on all Town and County roads in Vestal between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- Rental properties in the Town of Vestal are required to be registered with the Vestal Police Department by DECEMBER 8th.

18. COMMITTEE CHAIR COMMENTS AND UPDATES

Councilwoman Messina stated that every department is working on closing out the book for 2025.

Councilman Greene wanted to thank Lipo again for writing the grant.

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19. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Member of the public spoke regarding their water and sewer bills, requesting that the minimum rates be lowered for residents who are retired or single families without children in the house.

Supervisor Sexton stated that she will look into this tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina, seconded by Councilman Greene, the Board adjourned the Town Board Meeting and entered Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the following:

- Personnel: Assessor's, Museum and IT Departments

The time was 6:44 PM

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina, seconded by Councilman Miller the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Approved by _____
Debra Wallace, Town Clerk