

## Salisbury Town Board Meeting Minutes – 10/9/2025

A regular meeting of the Salisbury Town Board was held at 6:30 pm. at the Salisbury Town Hall on October 9, 2025.

### The meeting was attended by:

John Mowers	Town Supervisor
Nora Cool-Guinup	Councilperson
Renee Coonradt	Councilperson
Kim Sherwood	Councilperson
Colleen Walrath	Councilperson
Lyle Jenkins	Highway Superintendent
Jeanne Cool	Town Clerk
Katelin Ferguson	Town Accountant
<b>Public attendees:</b>	Jeanne Daley
	Brenda Barton, Town Historian
	Richard Hohall, Highway employee

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor John Mowers at 6:30 pm. and the Pledge of Allegiance was then recited by all present.

### GENERAL DISCUSSION

Supervisor Mowers requested a motion be made to accept the minutes of the last board meeting of 9/11/25 as written and the Planning/Zoning minutes from the 9/22/25 meeting as written.

MOTION to accept the meeting minutes was made by Colleen Walrath - seconded by Nora Cool-Guinup- ayes all  
MOTION to accept the planning/zoning board minutes was made by Renee Coonradt – seconded by Colleen Walrath - ayes all

Barry turned in one violation sheet for a pre-built shed located on 29A, failure to pay, the citation is being mailed to the owners.

MOVAC, sent a thank you for the \$5000 check that was issued.

The floor was turned over to Brenda Barton, Town Historian, who addressed the board concerning a circus the Grange has signed up for July 2<sup>nd</sup>, this has been approved by both the fire department and the town, she also presented the town with the contract the circus sent. Discussion then opened up about the 250<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for the town. Ms. Barton reported that she is holding a public meeting here at the town hall, Wednesday October 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. She has posted this on her website and it has been posted on the town website. She stated that she has had some interest and good ideas regarding a celebration, would know more about the extent of the celebration activities after the meeting. Supervisor Mowers would like to see this be a two night celebration, perhaps Thursday with the circus and activities then again Friday night with other activities. She did inquire about any money for this celebration and the budget has \$1000 set aside for this, however, we could increase it by another \$1000 being that this is a 250 year celebration and the town would like to do more in celebrating. A motion was made to a one time increase in the tentative budget by another \$1000, to go towards this celebration by Renee Coonradt – seconded by Nora Cool-Guinup – ayes all. Ms. Barton will keep the board posted on any plans made.

Richard Hohall then addressed the board, Mr. Hohall is a town highway employee, he presented paperwork regarding the highway employees leaving their current union. He stated he is the union steward and that the other employees have voted and they have filed papers to leave the current union. Mr. Hohall stated that they do have other unions they are in contact with. Supervisor Mowers suggested that he meet with the guys and discuss no union. A meeting will be set up next week for Supervisor Mowers to go and talk with the guys.

The Dolgeville Elks lodge mailed a request for a donation, this donation goes towards Christmas gifts to needy families in the community. Last year we donated \$300 and it was suggested we donate the same amount. A motion was made by Kim Sherwood to send a check for \$300 – seconded by Renee Coonradt – ayes all.

The roof on the vault room (½ lap roof), has been done, Supervisor Mowers also discussed with Mr. Jodway painting on the building and painting the flag pole, he said he would be able to do it but probably not until first thing next year. Supervisor Mowers said the flag pole needs to be addressed now, the flag pulley does not allow us to raise or lower the pole and the pole needs painting now, as the paint is all peeled off. Lyle stated he could have the guys look at it and fix the issues sometime within the next couple of weeks.

Accountant Katelin Ferguson stated that there were no accounting issues, all going smoothly. It was discussed with Mr. Hohall that the highway employees will no longer have union dues taken out of their paychecks. Mr. Hohall himself will as he is the union steward.

The new boiler for the town hall was inspected and failed inspection, there were two issues that need to be fixed to pass inspection. A-Tech has been contacted and will return to address these issues.

The current CD for the town is due 10/20, Supervisor Mowers suggested putting \$300,000 back into a CD and 200,000 back into the Highway fund.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – Lyle Jenkins**

We are still waiting on the DEC to issue the permit for the new sandpit. Still waiting to get it opened so the guys can get working there. Currently Lyle is using the old pit and sand from Bruce Boulder, for this years sand, which they will be done drawing in a couple of weeks.

Suit Kote came in and sealed the walls of the Salt Shed.

Lyle stated that the new truck we ordered is here, however, he would like to decline as it is not what we ordered, wants to wait until it is 100% what we want, what was ordered.

Discussion about the current First Aid company, Cintas, once again addressed, the board would like to see this company terminated and either find a new company or perhaps someone at the town be responsible to keep a first aid kit up to date for the employees, Lyle will handle this request.

Renee Coonradt had asked Lyle about the small bridge before the Covered Bridge needing repairs, Lyle stated that the planks for this project came in Monday and this should be done by next week.

The town received a request from C. Blavelt regarding the speed limit on Route 29, she would like to see it decreased. Lyle stated she would have to go through the state and it is an approximately 5 year process and hes not sure it would be done even then. Either he or John will contact Ms. Blavelt and discuss options with her.

Lyle requested a check for money to do some road work / putting shoulders down, this check would then be turned over to CHIPS, however, the check would be needed now to turn it over. A motion was made to issue Lyle a check by Colleen Walrath – seconded by Nora Cool-Guinup, ayes all.

**TENTATIVE BUDGET**

Discussion then addressed the tentative budget. Supervisor Mowers went over the budget with the board and discussed any and all changes with them. It was suggested that a public hearing on the budget be held November 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:15 pm just before our monthly meeting. A motion was made to hold the budget meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 by Nora Cool-Guinup – seconded by Kim Sherwood – ayes all.

The board questioned, if a new Judge was elected would we also get a new clerk and what would the salary be for that position? It was suggested that it be less than currently budgeted. This would be discussed at the budget meeting and any changes could be made then.

MOTION to accept the Supervisors report was made by Renee Coonradt – seconded by Nora Cool-Guinup - ayes all.

MOTION to accept the Town Clerks report was made by Renee Coonradt – seconded by Colleen Walrath – ayes all.

MOTION to pay the audit of bills as follows, made by Nora Cool-Guinup – seconded by Renee Coonradt - ayes all:

HIGHWAY	Vouchers 209-229	\$9720.56
GENERAL	Vouchers 86-96	\$14,372.33
LIGHT DISTRICTS	Voucher 10	\$993.46

MOTION to accept payroll as presented made by Kim Sherwood – seconded by Nora Cool-Guinup - ayes all.

No further business.

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm was made by Kim Sherwood – seconded by Colleen Walrath ayes all

Jeanne Cool  
Town Clerk - 10/9/2025

