

Town of Scipio September 2024 Town Board Meeting Minutes

The September meeting of the Town of Scipio, Cayuga County, State of New York was held at the Town Office, 3705 State Rte. 34, Scipio Center, NY 13147 on September 11, 2024.

Present: Gary Mutchler, Supervisor Susan Allen, Councilperson
Nancy Hart, Councilperson Melinda Pitman, Councilperson
Excused: Jason Botsford, Councilperson
Others: Ann Robson, Jeff Eaton, Bill Hall, Rolland Dodge

1. The September 2024 board meeting of the Town of Scipio was called to order at 7 pm by Supervisor Mutchler, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Reviewed Agenda. Motion to accept agenda by Allen, second by Pitman was:
Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, Pitman
Noes 0
3. Issues from town residents - none
4. **Resolution 2024-74** Approve August 14, 2024 Town Board meeting minutes. Motion by Pitman, second by Allen was:
Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, Pitman
Noes 0
5. Officers' Reports
 - a. Assessor - none
 - b. CEO – Attachment to meeting minutes.
 - c. Clerk - \$3484.50 was disbursed to the town supervisor, including eight (8) dog licenses. A FOIL request was received and responded to regarding applications for cell towers within the town. Several upcoming events have been posted on the town's website regarding the town's Clean-Up Day, the county Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off and Liberty Renewable's Community meeting on the Agricola project in Scipio and Venice.
 - d. Highway Superintendent – The 2024 International 6-wheeled truck has arrived and is registered. The 10-wheeled truck ordered in 2022 will be delivered this fall. The building renovation project is just about complete with a final walk through with the engineers, contractor and town scheduled later in September. A new gas line will be installed at the town office building later in September. A road repair agreement for the Liberty Renewables Agricola Wind project is being formulated with Scipio, Venice, and the Cayuga County Highway.
 - e. Attorney – The response to the Article 7 Real Property Tax Assessment of Marc Sholinsky vs the town assessor, the town's BAR, the town, the school district, and county will be filed in October. Legal representatives of all parties named will be discussing this Supreme Court Action. Liberty Renewable has filed its 60-day notice of intent to file an application with the Office of Renewable Energy for the construction of the wind facility in Scipio and Venice. Town and county

attorneys are working on developing a shared road use agreement, and the Host Community Agreement with Liberty Renewables. The Zoning Ordinance revisions approved in July, 2024 are being integrated into the updated town's Zoning Ordinance. Bound copies will be available later this fall. The town's Dog Law is being reviewed by Suzie Tracy, Dog Control Officer for possible amendments.

6. Board Member Reports

- a. Susan Allen – Six dumpsters from Robinson Roll-Off have been ordered for the town's October 5, 2024 Fall Clean-Up Day. Weitsman has been contacted for a dumpster to collect metal recycling. Discussion was had on requests from town residents for a summer Clean-Up Day and issuing permits to use the Transfer Station in place of trash stickers. Residents will be polled for their feedback on these topics when signing-in for the Fall Clean-Up Day.
- b. Jason Botsford – none
- c. Nancy Hart – The Hazard Library will host a fund raiser for their new library expansion on Sunday, 9.22.24 at Opendore Museum. It was announced that the NYS Department of Health has retracted the proposed Owasco Lake Watershed Rules and Regulation application which was submitted in 2020. The Cayuga Lake Watershed Network will host an Open House on Wednesday, 9.25.24 at 3pm in their new offices located at the Cayuga Nature Center on Rte. 89.
- d. Melinda Pitman – Reported the 2005 Rescue Truck and the 1994 Engine #2 have been sold by the Scipio Fire Department to fund the purchase a 2006 Heavy Rescue truck.

7. Supervisor's Report

- a. Financial – A budget modification will be made at the end of year to cover the additional charges in election expenses to the town.
- b. Scipio Lake Property Owners Association – Supervisor Mutchler gave a presentation to the group on August 24, 2024 and learned of the breakdown of taxes on lakefront properties, the rest of the town and on tax-exempt agricultural land.
- c. 2025 Pre-budget – Copies of the 2025 proposed budget will be available by the 1st of October for review.

8. Other Business - none

9. Review of 2024 Abstract 9

- a. **Resolution 2024-75** General Funds – vouchers 158-172, total \$55,196.79 Motion to approve by Pittman, second by Hart was:

Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, Pitman
 Noes 0

- b. **Resolution 2024 -76** Highway Fund – vouchers 56-61, total \$145,440.06 Motion to approve by Allen, second by Pitman was:

Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, Pitman
 Noes 0

10. Next meeting, Wednesday, October 9, 2024, Tentative Budget 7 pm
11. Adjournment – Motion made by Mutchler at 8:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Robson

Town of Scipio Clerk

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PERMITS ISSUED:

24-20 Donald & Cynthia Edwards, 78 Fire Lane 21, second story addition to single-family dwelling. (Note: Site Plan approved by Planning Board on June 26, 2024.)

24-21 Owasco Lake Retreat, LLC (Michael R. Beck), 4578 Wyckoff Road, 22 kW residential stand-by generator.

24-22 Donald J. Millis, 3257 Center Road, 13' x 19' storage shed.

Scipio Planning board review:

August 28, 2024, meeting – reviewed and approved site plan from Elgin Lemmon, 433 West Lake Road (Fire Lane 19), for a single-family dwelling.

Next meeting scheduled for September 25, 2024.

ZBA review:

No meeting in September, as no applications received.

Next meeting scheduled for October 1, 2024.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

Respectfully submitted 09/11/2024.

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