

**TOWN OF PLATTSBURGH
TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEETING
May 1, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the presiding officer at the Town Hall on Banker Road. Pledge.

MEMBERS:	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Michael S. Cashman, Supervisor	x	
Thomas E. Wood, Councilor	x	
Charles A. Kostyk, Councilor	x	
Dana M. Isabella, Councilor	x	
Daniel A. Bosley, Councilor		x
Kathryn B. Kalluche, Town Clerk	x	
James J. Coffey, Town Attorney	x	

Resolution No. 025-123

Accept Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED, that the minutes of **February 27, 2025** and **March 6, 2025** be accepted, and the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

Motion: Charles A. Kostyk

Seconded by: Thomas E. Wood

Discussion: None

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u>	<u>Tabled</u>
				x	
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			x		
Michael S. Cashman	x				

Public Comment - None

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Resolution No. 025-124

Abstract 5A-25

RESOLVED, that the abstract of audited claims **No. 5A-25** for \$139,078.97, **Abstract 5A-25** prepays for the amount \$209,520.78 be received as reviewed by the Audit Committee and the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay said abstracts.

Motion: Dana M. Isabella

Seconded by: Charles A. Kostyk

Discussion: None

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u> x	<u>Tabled</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			x		
Michael S. Cashman	x				

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Resolution No. 025-125

Monthly Department Reports

RESOLVED, to receive and place on file Monthly Department Head Reports.

Building and Grounds – **March 2025**
Codes and Zoning – **February 2025**
Dog Control Officer –
Historian –
Highway Superintendent – **March 2025**
Justice Court –
Parks and Recreation – **March 2025**
Planning and Community Development – **March 2025**
Safety Committee –
Supervisors Financial Report – **March 2025**
Tax Receiver –
Town Clerk –
Water Wastewater – **March 2025**

Motion: Charles A. Kostyk

Seconded by: Dana M. Isabella

Discussion: None

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u>	<u>Tabled</u>
				x	
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			x		
Michael S. Cashman	x				

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Resolution No. 025-126

**Authorize Highway Superintendent to Rent,
Borrow Lease or Exchange Equipment in
Shared Service Agreement**

WHEREAS, all municipalities, including the Town of Plattsburgh, have the power and authority to contract for the purpose of renting, leasing, exchanging, borrowing or maintaining of machinery and equipment, with or without operators, with other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, all municipalities, including the Town of Plattsburgh, have the power and authority to borrow or lend materials and supplies to other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined that the Town of Plattsburgh and other municipalities have machinery and equipment which is not used during certain periods; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that the Town of Plattsburgh and other municipalities often have materials and supplies on hand which are not immediately needed; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined that by renting, borrowing, exchanging, leasing or maintaining highway machinery and equipment and by borrowing or lending of materials and supplies the Town of Plattsburgh and other municipalities may avoid the necessity of purchasing certain needed highway machinery and equipment and the purchasing of or storing a large inventory of certain extra materials and supplies, thereby saving the taxpayers money; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon each municipality to design a simple method whereby materials and supplies, equipment and machinery, including the operators thereof, may be obtained or maintained with a minimum of paperwork and inconvenience and with a swift process; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Town of Plattsburgh Town Board to give the Highway Superintendent the authority to enter into renting, exchanging, borrowing, lending or maintaining arrangements with the persons serving in similar capacities in other municipalities without the necessity of obtaining approval of the Town Board prior to the making of each individual arrangements; and

WHEREAS, a standard contract has been prepared which is expected to be adopted and placed into effect in other municipalities, and will grant the person holding the position comparable to that of the Highway Superintendent, authority to make similar arrangements; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined that it will be in the best interest of the Town of Plattsburgh to be a party to such shared services arrangements;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the chief executive officer of the Town of Plattsburgh is hereby authorized to sign, on behalf of the Town of Plattsburgh, a shared services agreement with the noted municipalities upon the Town Attorney approving the said contract; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution become effective immediately and a copy of this Resolution be given to the Finance Manger, the Highway Superintendent and a certified copy be given to each of the municipalities listed in the agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Highway Department Secretary execute this agreement with the Town of Plattsburgh Highway Superintendent and Municipalities that are listed within the agreement.

Motion: Dana M. Isabella

Seconded by: Thomas E. Wood

Discussion: Done

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u> x	<u>Tabled</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			x		
Michael S. Cashman	x				

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Resolution No. 025-127

High Peaks Realty, LLC v. Town of Plattsburgh

WHEREAS, High Peaks Realty LLC and the Town of Plattsburgh are desirous of having certain assessment issues resolved as to property owned by High Peaks Realty LLC in the Town of Plattsburgh, and

WHEREAS, a settlement proposal resolving pending tax certiorari litigation was recommended by the Vincelette Law Firm, special counsel to the Town of Plattsburgh, and reviewed by the Plattsburgh Town Board at its regular monthly meeting, and

WHEREAS, such a proposed settlement would present the parties with an expeditious and economic alternative to further litigation so as to resolve issues between the parties, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the Town; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept a proposed settlement for the 2024 tax certiorari proceeding filed by High Peaks Realty LLC in which the 2024 assessed value of parcel # 220.-1-9 shall be reduced as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Prior Assessed Value</u>	<u>Revised Assessed Value</u>	<u>Reduction</u>
2024	220.-1-9	\$2,400,000	\$2,100,000	(\$300,000)

and it is further

RESOLVED that High Peaks Realty LLC shall be entitled to a refund of excess taxes paid, waiving statutory interest based upon the above revision; and it is further

RESOLVED that Section 727 of the Real Property Tax Law shall apply to the adjusted assessment for assessment year 2024 and shall affect the 2025, 2026 and 2027 assessment rolls, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby adopt this resolution to end the litigation between High Peaks Realty LLC and the Town of Plattsburgh as to the above referenced assessment.

Motion: Charles A. Kostyk

Seconded by: Dana M. Isabella

Discussion: None

Roll Call:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u> x	<u>Tabled</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			x		
Michael S. Cashman	Abstain				

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Resolution No. 025-128

**Temporary Seasonal Hire for the Building
and Grounds Department – Jacob Pierce**

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has received a letter from Michael Drew, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds, requesting to hire a seasonal worker; and,

WHEREAS, Jacob Pierce (\$20.00/hour) be appointed to said position, when all employment verification and eligibility provisions have been satisfied, with a start date of May 19, 2025 and an end date of August 29, 2025; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to sign all necessary documents to hire seasonal temporary help for the Building and Grounds Department and a certified copy of this Resolution be given to the Finance Manager and the Clinton County Civil Service Department of Personnel for their final approval and a copy be placed in Mr. Pierce's personnel file.

Motion: Thomas E. Wood

Seconded by: Charles A. Kostyk

Discussion: None

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u> x	<u>Tabled</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			x		
Michael S. Cashman	x				

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Resolution No. 025-129

**Amend Start Date of Buildings and Grounds
Temporary Seasonal Hire Ryder Estes**

WHEREAS, there is an immediate need for additional support to maintain operations and fulfill departmental responsibilities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves an amended start date of May 19, 2025 for Ryder Estes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be given to the Finance Manager, the Clinton County Civil Service Department of Personnel for their final approval, and a copy be placed in the personnel file of Mr. Estes.

Motion: Thomas E. Wood

Seconded by: Charles A. Kostyk

Discussion: None

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Carried</u> x	<u>Tabled</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x				
Charles A. Kostyk	x				
Dana M. Isabella	x				
Daniel A. Bosley			Absent		
Michael S. Cashman	x				

Motion to go into Executive Session
to discuss the work history of two
specific individuals, collective
bargaining negotiations per Article 14
of Civil Service Law, and certiorari
issue.

Motion by: **Charles A. Kostyk**
Seconded by: **Thomas E. Wood**
Time: **6:08 PM**

Motion to come out of Executive Session

Motion by: **Charles A. Kostyk**
Seconded by: **Dana M. Isabella**
Time: **7:02 PM**

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Charles A. Kostyk	x	
Dana M. Isabella	x	
Daniel A. Bosley	Absent	
Michael S. Cashman	x	

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Thomas E. Wood	x	
Charles A. Kostyk	x	
Dana M. Isabella	x	
Daniel A. Bosley	Absent	
Michael S. Cashman	x	

RESOLVED, that this Town Board meeting be adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Motion by: **Charles A. Kostyk**
Seconded by: **Dana M. Isabella**
Discussion: None

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Carried</u>
			x
Thomas E. Wood	x		
Charles A. Kostyk	x		
Dana M. Isabella	x		
Daniel A. Bosley	Absent		
Michael S. Cashman	x		

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

Katie Kalluche, Town Clerk