



2025 Organizational Meeting of the Town Board  
January 06<sup>th</sup>, 2025 05:30pm

The organizational meeting of the Oneonta Town Board was held on January 06, 2025, with the following members present:

Supervisor:	Randal I. Mowers	(RM)
Town Board Member:	Kim Fierke	(KF)
Town Board Member:	Joseph M. Camarata	(JCM)
Town Board Member:	Patricia Riddell Kent	(PRK)
Town Board Member:	Brett D. Holleran	(BH)
Town Clerk:	Ryan F. Pereira	

Others present: David Koehn

RESOLUTION 2025-0001

Motion made by JMC, seconded by PRK;

*WHEREAS*; approve appointments for following positions.

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| a. Attorney for the Town                      | Robert Panasci              |
| b. Attorney for the Zoning Board of Appeals   | Robert Panasci              |
| c. Clerk for the Planning Board               | Wendy Cleaveland            |
| d. Clerk for the Zoning Board of Appeals      | Wendy Cleaveland            |
| e. Member of the Planning Board               | Carla Balnis (12/31/29)*    |
| f. Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals      | Kelly Wilde (12/31/29)      |
| g. Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals      | Tammy Christman (12/31/28)* |
| h. Communications Director                    | Ryan F. Pereira             |
| i. Liason to the City Council                 | Randal I. Mowers            |
| j. Liason to the City Board of Public Service | Brett D. Holleran           |
| k. City OPT Representative                    | Randal I. Mowers            |
| l. Registrar of Vital Statistics              | Ryan F. Pereira             |
| m. Budget Officer                             | Nicole Camarata             |
| n. Public Health Officer                      | Nicholas Tarricone          |

\*Filling out unexpired terms.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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RESOLUTION 2025-0002

Motion made by RM, seconded by PRK;

WHEREAS; the Town Board votes to approve the appointment of Regina E. McGuinness to Chair of the Planning Board;

Now therefore be it resolved that Regina E. McGuinness will act as Chair for a full seven-year term to run through December 31<sup>st</sup> of 2031.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE                      AYES (5)                      AIF                                      MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-0003

Motion made by KF, seconded by BH;

WHEREAS; that the Superintendent of Highways be permitted to spend up to \$1500.00 monthly without prior town board approval.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE                      AYES (5)                      AIF                                      MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-0004

Motion made by JMC, seconded by BH;

WHEREAS; that the Town Board meetings be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 07:00pm at the Town Hall in West Oneonta.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE                      AYES (5)                      AIF                                      MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-0005

Motion made by KF, seconded by BH;

WHEREAS; designate the following banks as official town depositories for town and improvement district funds: Community Bank.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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RESOLUTION 2025-0006 Motion made by JCM, seconded by BH;  
WHEREAS; *adopt the Town Travel Policy as previously written.*

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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RESOLUTION 2025-0007 Motion made by PRK, seconded by JCM;  
WHEREAS; designate the Daily Star as the official newspaper of the Town of Oneonta.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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RESOLUTION 2025-0008 Motion made by BH, seconded by KF;  
WHEREAS; designate the following as official town holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day

(observed), Federal Presidential Holiday in February (observed), Juneteenth, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day and the Friday immediately following Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

Kim Fierke Board Member  X  \_\_\_  
 Joseph M. Camarata Board Member  X  \_\_\_

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE AYES (5) AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-0009 Motion made by PRK, seconded by RM;  
 WHEREAS; the Highway Department shall observe Good Friday in lieu of Martin Luther King's birthday and individual birthdays of employees in lieu of Veterans Day.

WHEREAS; any of the designated holidays/birthdays falling on a Saturday shall be observed on the Friday immediately preceding the Saturday holiday: holidays falling on a Sunday shall be observed on the Monday following the holiday.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u> X </u>	___
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE AYES (5) AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-0010 Motion made by RM, seconded by PRK;  
 WHEREAS; authorize Supervisor to submit to the Town Clerk a copy of their Annual Report to the State Comptroller and;

WHEREAS; directing the Town Clerk to cause a notice to be published within ten (10) days after receipt of said report in the official newspaper of the Town that a copy of such report is on file and available for inspection in the Town Clerk's office.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u> X </u>	___
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE AYES (5) AIF MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2025-0011 Motion made by JCM, seconded by KF;  
 WHEREAS; authorize the payment of utility bills, Town real property tax bills, and postage, prior to audit pursuant to Town Law section 118(2).

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u> X </u>	___
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u> X </u>	___

Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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**RESOLUTION 2025-0012**

*Motion made by PRK, seconded by KF;*

WHEREAS; adopt the Work Place Violence policy of the Town of Oneonta.

WHEREAS; adopt the Sexual Harassment Policy of the Town of Oneonta.

WHEREAS; adopt the Investment Policy of the Town of Oneonta.

WHEREAS; adopt the Procurement Policy of the Town of Oneonta.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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**RESOLUTION 2025-0013**

*Motion made by JCM, seconded by BH;*

WHEREAS; Committee Assignments are to be as follows:

Meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month

(03:45pm) Highway/Water&Sewer – Patricia Riddell Kent, Joseph Camarata, Randal I. Mowers.

(As needed) Human Resources/Public Benefit – Randal I. Mowers, Brett D. Holleran.

Meeting the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month

(04:30pm) Facilities/Technology/Parks – Brett D. Holleran, Randal I. Mowers, Joseph Camarata.

(05:00pm) Public Safety – FULL BOARD

(05:30pm) Legislative – Kim Fierke, Patricia Riddell Kent, Randal I. Mowers.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	_____

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE	AYES (5)	AIF	MOTION CARRIED
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**RESOLUTION 2025-0014**

WHEREAS; Adjournment for the 2025 Organizational Meeting,

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

		AYE	NAY
Randal I. Mowers	Supervisor	<u>  X  </u>	_____

Brett D. Holleran	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Patricia Riddell Kent	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kim Fierke	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Joseph M. Camarata	Board Member	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

VOTE            AYES (5)            AIF

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan F. Pereira  
Town Clerk