

TOWN OF HASTINGS, OSWEGO COUNTY NEW YORK

TOWN BOARD MEETING- OCTOBER 14, 2025

The Town of Hastings Town Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday October 14th, 2025, at 7:30pm.

ATTENDANCE

Board members present: Supervisor Tony Bush, Councilman Alan Hanson, Councilman Mark Martino, Councilman Richard Waldron, and Councilman John DeBottis.

Also present: Jason Burns, Director of community planning and development, and code enforcement, and Erin Goodrich, Town Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Bush called the town board meeting to order at 7:33pm, asked for the Pledge of Allegiance and pointed out the emergency exits.

DISCUSSION

Supervisor Bush opened the floor for public comments.

- 1.) A resident on Wilson Road would like the Town Board to look into what could be done to potentially reduce the speed limit on the road. With Van Lieu Park, playground and athletic fields and the HUB there is an abundance of children of all ages that are in the area. Walking or riding bikes and the current speed limit he feels is too fast for it to be safe. Everyone agreed they'd see what can be done, before something tragic could happen.
- 2.) Dee from the HUB brought up to the board that as the Town has been paying for their cable bill, but the cable was not getting used they cancelled the service, but in talking with the company rep they could save even more money by bundling the phone and internet together at \$90 a month. The Lucas family was paying the phone bill at about \$60 a month previously. The Town agreed with paying the \$90 that combines the phone and internet bill. Dee went on to talk about the event they had coming up; Van Boo walk in the dark, where they were continuing to get everything in order for activities and insurances. She said the Fire Spinners would be there again this year and the fire chief was prepared.
- 3.) Katie H. with the girl scouts brought to the Town Boards attention that children participating in the Pop Warner program were seen disregarding the safety rules on the playground equipment at the Van Lieu Park and when asked to stop the children didn't listen and the parents told Katie and the girl scouts that they needed to leave and stop bothering them. There was no one there from Pop Warner to comment so the Board moved on to the next issue. Katie and the girl scouts would like to make new safety signs and have the Town pay for them as the girl scout organization does not want to continue to pay for issues at the park when there is direct misuse of the equipment. Councilman Waldron said to email him her concerns. Comments of concern about parks discussion were,

whether the Troopers still drive through at night, which they do, and if the park has cameras which it does, but the cameras don't catch everything, and Krista Lewis is still point of contact.

4.) A Town resident is interested in moving his car sales and repair business from Co. Rt. 37 to his property on US Rt. 11. The Board said he'd have to see if there is a special use permit already on file for that property, otherwise the resident would have to go through the process of getting a special use permit to run his business as he wants to.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board schedules the Public Hearing for the 2026 Preliminary Budget for Wednesday November 5th at 7pm and the regular board meeting to follow at 7:30pm.

Councilman Hanson seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-101 adopted.**

2.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board authorizes the Hastings Town Court to apply for funding through the Justice Court Assistance Program Grant (JCAP) in the 2025-2026 grant cycle up to \$30,000.

Councilman Waldron seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-102 adopted.**

3.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board accepts the resolution determining that the proposed Lighthouse Park Improvements Project is a type 1 action and will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

Councilman DeBottis seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-103 adopted.**

4.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board accepts the resolution declaring that the proposed action, Lighthouse Park Fence Extension, qualifies as a type II action and is not subject to further review under the state environmental quality review act.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-104 adopted.**

5.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board accepts the resolution authorizing the transfer of funds from the general fund contingency account to the parks account to cover unanticipated dock repair expenses.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-105 adopted.**

6.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the following budget amendment: Transfer \$71,010.50 from 19904.01 General Fund Contingency Account to 71104.01 Parks CE.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-106 adopted.**

7.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board hereby accepts the minutes from the September 9th, 2025, Town Board meeting and the October 2nd, 2025, Special Town Board meeting.

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-107 adopted.**

8.) Supervisor Bush introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves for the payment of the claims certified on attached abstract #10 in the amounts indicated thereon:

Councilman Martino seconded. Supervisor Bush asked if there was any discussion. **Vote:** Supervisor Bush, aye; Councilman Hanson, aye; Councilman Martino, aye; Councilman Waldron, aye; and Councilman DeBottis, aye. Motion carried. **Resolution 25-108 adopted.**

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Supervisor Bush motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Waldron seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Goodrich, Town Clerk