TOWN OF HASTINGS, OSWEGO COUNTY NEW YORK

TOWN BOARD MEETING- APRIL 14, 2026

The Town of Hastings Town Board held a regular meeting on Tuesday April 14th, 2026, 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: Mike Lewis, Highway Superintendent; Thomas Fuzia, Director of Community Planning and Code Enforcement; and Erin Goodrich, Town Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Bush called the town board meeting to order at 7:34pm, asked for the Pledge of Allegiance and pointed out the emergency exits.

DISCUSSION

Supervisor Bush opened the floor for public comments.

1.) Representatives from Tobacco Free CNY addressed the Town Board. They are an organization administered by the Onondaga County Health Department that serves Onondaga, Oswego and Cayuga Counties. They work to reduce the negative impact of tobacco products and e-cigarette marketing on youth and adults. They asked the Town Board to consider writing a local policy that would make certain areas of the Town, the parks and Town property specifically, tobacco free zones. The first priority for the group would be to make policy for the parks in the Town. Dee from the HUB supports the idea of making the Town parks smoke free areas to better promote healthy lifestyles for the children of this Town. The Town Board agrees with taking the steps necessary to create a policy that would make the majority of the park areas smoke free but feel they'd like to designate areas for those residents that choose to smoke. Supervisor Bush asked if they could send a sample policy so the Board can look it over and start to create their own policy.

The representatives mentioned putting signage in the parks as well noting the smoke free areas and Dee asked about the cost of such signage. They said they could provide certain signage at no cost to the Town. Ultimately their goal is to support Hastings's residents who want to live healthy, tobacco-free lives and the Town agrees, but wants to compromise for those residents who make the choice to smoke.

2.) Residents on Little Canada Rd asked the board what is the timeframe for condemning a house? According to the residents, properties 74 and 66 Little Canada Rd, are in deplorable conditions. One seems to be collapsing, there is a squatter living in one with no working utilities so waste is flowing into the ground untreated, and these neighbors want to know what can be done. They stated there are condemned signs on the property which were put there by the former code enforcement officer, but Councilman DeBottis said that they were put there without going through the proper

steps to truly condemn the property with the Town and County. Supervisor Bush said he has been talking with the County, and they have only condemned three houses in the last couple decades, but the Town is aware of the issues on Little Canada Rd and will be working to see what can be done. Councilman DeBottis stated that we (the Town) have a new codes officer and he will be working with the County and Courts to get the process done correctly.

3.) A Resident in attendance asked what say, if any, does the Town have over where sex offenders are allowed to stay or even the number that can live in the Town? Supervisor Bush said that the Town has no say over where sex offenders are allowed to reside. He went on to say that sometimes the Town is not even notified when offenders move here. He said when he's asked in the past it is because these individuals are rehabilitated and should pose no threat to the other residents in the Town. The Town does its best to work with the local authorities, but that the management of the offenders is done through the Sherrif's office with cooperation with the State Troopers and County probation where applicable.

RESOLUTIONS:

1.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board hereby accepts the minutes from the April 14th, 2026, 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 26-62 adopted**.

2.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves for payment the claims certified on attached abstract #4 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 26-63 adopted**.

3.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the attached 2025 budget amendments. (See Resolution 26-64)

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 26-64 adopted**.

4.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves authorizing the closure and consolidation of Route 11 Sewer Bank Accounts.

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 26-65 adopted**.

5.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves authorizing the closure and consolidation of Fuller Road/Route 11 Water Bank Accounts.

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 26-66 adopted**.

6.) Councilman Waldron introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the adoption and use of the retention and disposition schedule for New York State, Local Government Records (LGS-1).

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 26-67 adopted**.

7.) Councilman DeBottis introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the Planned Development Zone and Site Plan Review for Joe House Concrete Batch Plant Project.

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 26-68 adopted**.

8.) Councilman DeBottis introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves Amendment No.3 to the South-Central Sewer District Engineering Agreement.

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 26-69 adopted**.

9.) Councilman DeBottis introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board determines that the proposed David Bardoun Land Surveying Project is an unlisted action and will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

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 26-70 adopted**.

10.) Councilman DeBottis introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board approves the Special Use Permit for David Bardoun Land Surveying Project.

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 26-71 adopted**.

11.) Councilman DeBottis introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board hereby accepts the resignation of Jason Burns, Code Enforcement Officer as of March 16th, 2026.

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 26-72 adopted.**

12.) Councilman DeBottis introduced the following and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, the Town of Hastings Town Board hereby approves the appointment of Greg Smith as Code Enforcement Officer; a full-time position, at a rate of $24.60 per hour effective April 13th, 2026.

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 26-73 adopted**.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Goodrich, Town Clerk