

HOPEWELL TOWN BOARD MEETING MARCH 18, 2026 AT 7:00PM

The regularly scheduled Town Board Meeting was held at the Hopewell Town Hall on Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 7:00PM, with Supervisor Namestnik presiding.

Present:	Supervisor	William Namestnik
	Council Member	Mark Curran
	Council Member	Andy Faust
Necessarily Absent	Council Member	Adam Sanford
Necessarily Absent	Council Member	Jeff Trickey

Others Present: Matt Sproul from the Canandaigua Emergency Squad, David Hubble from the Canandaigua Emergency Squad, Keven Shipman from the Hopewell Fire Department, Hopewell Fire Chief Skip Critcher and Deputy Town Clerk Mary Ann Trickey.

A motion was made by Council Member Curran, seconded by Council Member Faust to approve the minutes of the Town Board Meeting of February 18, 2026.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

A motion was made by Council Member Faust, seconded by Council Member Curran to approve the minutes of the special Town Board Meeting of March 5, 2026.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

Privilege of the Floor-Hopewell Fire Chief- Skip Critcher-There have been 95 fire calls year to date. The aerial truck is back and in service. The new truck will be here by the end of the month.

Canandaigua Emergency Squad 2026 Agreement for General Ambulance Service- (Exhibit A) - Matt Sproul, of Canandaigua Emergency Squad, presented the agreement to the Board and asked if they would like to have the agreement updated and if the Board would like Matt to present the agreement every year. The report to the Town to remain annual. The term begins in 2026. A motion was made by Council Member Curran, seconded by Council Member Faust to approve the current agreement.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

Old Business

Town Officials- Deputy Town Clerk-Mary Ann Trickey-CNB Credit Card Update- We have received the credit cards and they are in use.

Supervisor-William Namestnik- Garbage Compactor Update- The compactor has been delivered and installed. It has been working well. The invoice has been received of \$47,043.00. Ontario County will provide \$40,000 to the Town per agreement, upon receipt of proof of payment.

Accounting Software Update- Supervisor Namestnik is likes the customized reports the software provides. Learning curve is beginning to flatten.

Water Infrastructure Group Update- Supervisor Namestnik informed everyone of the meeting with the Towns of Seneca, Gorham, Manchester, Phelps and Clifton Springs, held at the Town of Hopewell last month. They had an opportunity to discuss pulling together resources for the possibility of receiving grants. The Supervisors have an assignment to research the grants and the Water Superintendents are getting together to determine what it is they would like to see. Then, the Supervisors and Water Superintendents will reconvene and include the Town of Canandaigua, City of Canandaigua, Town of Geneva and maybe Farmington. This may take some time, but this is just the beginning. Water Superintendent Joe Eckam stated the Water Superintendents are meeting on April 7th to discuss what they are looking for.

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New Business- Town Officials Monthly Reports

Deputy Town Clerk-Mary Ann Trickey-Property Tax Collection Update- We are currently at 93% collected with \$2,203.71 collected in interest. The taxes will be settled with the Ontario County Treasurer on Friday, April 3rd at 10AM.

Highway Superintendent- Matt Curran- New Street Light List- (Exhibit B) - Highway Superintendent Matt Curran stated there are areas of the Town that need to be lit better. The intersections of Route 488/ Archer Road and Route 488/Malone are to name a few. He has learned that a design build for each location needs to be done. This will take some time, but is needed. There will be a cost to the Town of Hopewell. He has asked the Board if they would like to move forward. This would be a public safety issue. The Board has asked the Highway Superintendent to provide some estimates of costs.

Code Enforcement Officer- Justin Bruen- Monthly Report- (Exhibit C)

Water Superintendent- Joe Eckam-Camera System for Pump Station and Tank-Highway Superintendent Joe Eckam submitted the quote to the Board. Council Member Faust asked what fund the monies would be coming from. Joe indicated it would be coming out of the Water Budget. Determination is needed for whether or not additional quotes are needed per procurement policy. Supervisor Namestnik will look into. Water Superintendent Joe Eckam reported there have been problems with the automatic system when the tank gets low. This is in need of repair.

Supervisor-William Namestnik-Resolution #8-2026-Abstract #3- (Exhibit D)- A motion was made by Council Member Curran, seconded by Council Member Faust to approve Resolution #8-2026-Abstract 3.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

NAHC Conference Information- Supervisor Namestnik attended the Legislative Conference in Albany. The current proposed 2027 budget for the State is \$260 billion. Areas of concern are Medicaid and SNAP. The Counties will be picking up the difference. There was a session on PFAS and landfill. The DEC stated the landfills will be full within 16 years and there isn't an alternative plan at this time. Supervisor Namestnik will be having the budget posted on the website to inform the residents of the current status of the proposed 2027 State budget.

Establishing a Public Hearing Date for a Local Law Prior Written Notice for Notice of Defects Law- (Exhibit E) - NYMIR is highly recommending this Local Law to prevent liability. A motion was made by Council Member Curran, seconded by Council Member Faust to approve setting the Public Hearing for the next Town Board meeting on April 15, 2026 at 7PM.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

Hopewell Fire Department Membership Application-Haley Sabin- A motion was made by Council Member Faust, seconded by Council Member Curran to approve the Hopewell Fire Department Membership Application for Haley Sabin.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

Hopewell Fire Department Membership Application-Shawn Horyczon- A motion was made by Council Member Faust, seconded by Council Member Curran to approve the Hopewell Fire Department Membership Application for Shawn Horyczon.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

Approval of Town Officials' Monthly Reports-A motion was made by Council Member Faust, seconded by Council Member Curran to approve the monthly reports of the Town Clerk, Water Superintendent, Code Enforcement and the Supervisor.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

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Executive Session- A motion was made by Council Member Curran, seconded by Council Member Faust to enter into Executive Session for Potential Litigation and Personal matters at 7:27 PM.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

General Session- A motion was made by Council Member Faust, seconded by Council Member Curran to return to General Session at 8:10 PM.

Adopted: Vote Ayes 3 Nays 0

Privilege of the Floor- No one spoke for Privilege of the Floor.

A motion was made by Council Member Curran, seconded by Council Member Faust to adjourn the meeting at 8:11PM.

Respectfully submitted, *Denise L. Hood - Town Clerk March 25, 2026*
Next meeting is April 15, 2026 at 7:00 P.M. opening with a Public
Hearing.