

**Town of Candor
101 Owego Road
Candor, New York 13743
Regular Meeting of September 9, 2025**

Supervisor Strosahl opened the meeting with a Prayer and The Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Clm. Reichert, Clm. Leonard, Supervisor Strosahl, Clm. Rader, Clm. Evans, Superintendent Whatley, Clerk Irizarry , Attorney Pelella.

Others Present: Press Anne Stout, Webmaster Malone, EMS Chase, and 2 residents.

Privilege of the Floor: EMS Nick Chase took the floor. He shared with the Board that he is motivated for training and recruitment of more volunteers. Spencer, Nichols and VanEtten are in need of more volunteers. Candor EMS is doing very well he stated. He stated Candor is his priority and his best interest is in Candor. Billing is on course he said.

M-54 Clm. Evans motioned seconded by Clm. Rader to approve the minutes of August 12, 2025. All in favor. Clm. Reichert abstained on account of not being present at the meeting.

Supervisor Strosahl said the Board members signed the vouchers. The General Fund spent \$14,126.01 and the Highway Fund spent \$527,541.00.

M-55 Clm. Leonard motioned seconded by Clm. Reichert to approve the vouchers. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-aye, Strosahl-aye, Rader-aye, Evans-aye.

Assessor: Clm. Reichert shared with the Board a request from Assessor Spaulding to go to the NYSAA Fall Conference October 6th -9th . The cost is \$1241 and paid by all three of her towns. Candor's cost will be \$413.66.

M-56 Clm. Reichert motioned seconded by Clm. Leonard to allow Assessor Spaulding to go to the conference. But to double check on the price of the meal plan. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-aye, Strosahl-aye, Rader-aye, Evans-aye.

Board of Appeals: Clm. Leonard said the Public Hearing Notice on the variance on Owego Road will be in the paper. The variance is for an addition on the house.

Buildings and Grounds: Supervisor Strosahl said the ceiling tiles were damaged when the HVAC was being repaired. The tiles were purchased and Tom Shay will install them.

Supervisor Strosahl shared with The Board the parking lot needs sealing and repainting the stripes with two colors only and this includes the pavilion sealing. The two bids he received were under \$5000. Lisak was \$4750 and Reeses was \$4600.

M-57 Supervisor Strosahl motioned seconded by Clm. Rader to have Reeses seal and paint the parking lot and pavilion for \$4600. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-aye, Strosahl-aye, Rader-aye, Evans-aye.

The pavilion will be used for the Fall Festival on October 10 th for the last Farmers Market.

Cemeteries: Superintendent Whatley stated the County did not fix the pipe at Chapel Hill Cemetery.

Code Enforcement: Clm. Evans read to The Board Code Enforcer Yacopino's monthly report. There were 6 building permits, 5 completed permits, and 2 violations. There are 23 open permits from year 2022. One violation was closed due to the condition corrected.

Clm. Leonard revisited the Swansbrough bill for the garbage cleanup at his residence on Bush Rd. Supervisor Strosahl will resend a letter to him as a reminder that the cost will be put on his tax bill if not paid.

Dog Control: Supervisor Strosahl said we still need a place for our stray dogs. He spoke with Hannah from Ag & Mkts with no success. Southern Tier Animal Control in Elmira is not taking any dogs he said. Broome County is having the same issue. With the small amount of stray dogs we have, Supervisor Strosahl was hoping Brian Norris from Broome County would reconsider and accept our Town's dogs. Towns of Barton and Spencer send their dogs to Schyler County.

EMS: Clm. Reichert shared with The Board a spreadsheet with the cost of salaries broken down for EMS for 2026 vs. 2025 contracts.

M-58 Clm. Rader motioned seconded by Clm. Reichert to accept the 2026 EMS Budget. Clm. Leonard stated his disapproval of the 50 percent surplus going back to EMS. He feels it should go back to our Town. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-nay, Strosahl-aye, Rader-aye, Evans-aye.

Highway: Superintendent Whatley said they are paving the last of the roads for the season next week. It will be Prospect Valley Road and Dry Brook. They are changing out the crossovers on Roe Road and turning it to dirt for the Winter then to be paved in the Spring. Calcium will be added to harden the dirt up and keep the dust down. Raish Road was paved and a grader used on Dewey Road. Superintendent Whatley requested to The Board he buy a backhoe and the old backhoe and extra truck to go up for sale. Superintendent Whatley wants to go with the CAT instead of John Deere because there have been no improvements in the performance of the John Deere. He then shared some aspects of the CAT he sees as better than the John Deere. Supervisor Strosahl said there is money to pay for this CAT. Discussion continued about money and transfers of money from accounts. Clm. Leonard would rather see a delay on this purchase.

M-59 Clm. Rader motioned seconded by Clm. Reichert to purchase the CAT for \$142,000. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-nay, Strosahl-aye, Rader-aye, Evans-nay.

A discussion began between a resident and Superintendent Whatley about equipment and roads.

M-60 Clm. Reichert motioned seconded by Clm. Leonard to approve the ISAAC Maintenance Agreement for \$1450 yearly for the Town Barns beginning September 1st. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-aye, Strosahl-aye, Rader-aye, and Evans-aye.

Clm. Evans questioned the agreement and the coverage. Superintendent Whatley answered him with filter replacement, air circulations, boiler maintenance. Superintendent Strosahl will ask for a breakdown of the service agreement.

Justice: no report.

Planning Board: Clm. Evans said they are talking about upcoming training. Early registration for NYC conference is coming up. The contractual is \$2500 and used some for the other conference. They are discussing the training that each member needs. Clm. Evans will talk with the Chair and Supervisor Strosahl will be able to transfer money to their contractual account if needed.

Old Business

Clm. Leonard mentioned to the Board he asked for a quote on digitizing the Vital Records books from Clerk Irizarry. By seeing the quote of approximately \$500 a book from Kofile, with 16 Vital Records books, it was considered too much to do at a cost of \$8000.

New Business

Supervisor Strosahl shared it's time to set up a date for Steve Barrows to conduct Workplace Violence and Sexual Harassment for the employees of the Town of Candor. The date will be tentatively Tuesday October 21, 2025 at 9 am.

M-61 Clm. Reichert motioned seconded by Clm. Rader to declare the backhoe and truck surplus. All in favor.

Clm. Leonard requested the Board go into Executive Session to discuss litigation at 8:10 pm.

In Executive Session 8:10 pm. Out of Executive Session 8:36 pm. In Regular Meeting 8:36pm. Clm. Evans motioned seconded by Clm. Leonard to adjourn at 8:37 pm. All in favor.