## Town of Candor 101 Owego Road Candor, New York 13743 Regular Meeting of October 14, 2025

**Present:** Clm. Reichert, Clm. Leonard, Supervisor Strosahl, Clm. Evans (late), Attorney Pelella, Highway Superintendent Whatley, Clerk Irizarry. Clm. Rader was excused from the meeting.

**Others Present:** EMS Chase, Press Anne Stout, Webmaster Malone, Engineer Murray, and residents Brenda Austin and Roger Jantz.

At 6:00 pm, The Board reviewed and signed the vouchers.

At 7:00 pm, Supervisor Strosahl opened the meeting with a Prayer and The Pledge of Allegiance.

**Privilege of the Floor:** EMS Chase began a summary of the month of September. There were 57 calls with 45 billable calls. The response time was average 2 minutes 32 seconds. There were two dropped "code 2" calls. There were three ALS assist calls and seven calls out of the area.

EMS is currently working on a \$25K grant for the Junior EMS Program and it was submitted today. They would use this money for AED, CPR manikins, and recruitment and retention. Training aids, a computer and uniforms are also a possibility for the funds.

The new ambulance should be coming in March or April and the Department of Health inspection will be happening soon as well. They have been working on personnel files and proper training for new hires for this inspection.

Candor EMS has been covering Spencer a lot lately. EMS Chase said at the yearend there would be talks with Spencer EMS in how and what may be done for them to fix this issue. Maybe Candor can help with the recruitment and retention in Spencer, stated EMS Chase. Candor does not want to say they are "sole resource" because when or if Candor needs Spencer's assistance they may say the same thing meaning, they only can assist their town at that moment.

The age group of the Junior Program is between 16 and 18 years old. Certain calls are not appropriate for the age group so EMS Chase limits their ability to go on some calls.

Candor EMS will be hosting an Advanced EMT class and will recruit from other agencies to bring the staff to a higher level of training.

**M-62** Clm. Leonard motioned seconded by Clm. Reichert to accept the minutes for September 9, 2025. All in favor.

Supervisor Strosahl shared that the General Fund spent \$32,670.33 and the Highway Fund spent \$899,071.11.

**M-63** Clm. Leonard motioned seconded by Clm. Evans to approve the vouchers for the General and Highway Funds as noted. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-aye, Strosahl-aye, Evans-aye.

There is a Budget Transfer: From Ambulance EMS \$9166.00
To Justice Contractual \$4166.00

Unallocated Insurance \$5000.00

This was needed to cover the increase in Jury trials and insurance costs.

M-64 Clm. Reichert motioned seconded by Clm. Leonard to approve the Budget Transfers. All in favor.

**Assessor:** Clm. Reichert stated Assessor Spaulding learned a lot at the conference. Discussion continued about the cost of meals at a conference and the government amount of money allotted for meals. No conclusion was made.

**Board of Appeals**: Clm. Leonard stated the Board of Appeals approved the variance on Route 96. He also asked for new nameplates for the Board of Appeals. Clm. Evans asked for nameplates for the Planning Board as well. The first of the year all names should be in and then can be ordered.

**Buildings and Grounds**: Mowing is complete for the season. Supervisor Strosahl stated the water has been shut off in the Pavilion. Within the next few days antifreeze will be put in the lines.

**Cemeteries**: No report.

**Code Enforcement**: Clm. Evans read a summary of the Code Enforcer for the month of August (September). There were three building permits issued. Twenty-one open permits are active since January 2023. Supervisor Strosahl shared that Code Enforcer Yacopino is working hard with General Code and the cost of getting the town laws incorporated in a book form that is better than what we have at the moment. Clm. Reichert shared that Code Enforcer Yacopino would like to update some items on the Fee Schedule and present it in January. The Board said he should go to the Planning Board with this request.

**Dog Control:** Supervisor Strosahl shared with The Board he contacted three places for stray dogs and still no one is accepting stray dogs. Maybe in January things will change and municipalities will have a place to take stray dogs.

**Highway:** Superintendent Whatley presented a 284 Agreement to The Board. This covers Dry Brook Road and Roe Roads for \$37,907.95.

**M-65** Clm. Reichert motioned seconded by Clm. Leonard to accept the 284 Agreement. Roll Call Vote: Reichert-aye, Leonard-aye, Strosahl-aye, Evans-aye.

Superintendent Whatley said they were done paving for the season. There were 22 crossover pipes completed and 1 left to do on Fairfield Road. They are regrading Roe Road to dirt for next year's paving work to be completed. The tire orders are in for the winter. Dewey Seasonal Road is the next road to work on. Jenksville Road will be next year. Approximately \$750 in scrap metal was received. The truck, backhoe, rims, tires and excavator buckets are up for auction.

**Justice**: No report.

**Planning Board**: Clm. Evans shared that the Planning Board had a hard time with the front door but used the side door as an alternative for their meeting. They talked about training priorities and which member could go to which trainings.

## **Old Business**

Sexual Harassment and Workplace Violence training will take place on Wednesday, October 22.

## **New Business**

The Board reviewed a Resolution for the Energy Choice Act. This Resolution is in opposition to a government mandated natural gas ban.

M- 66 Clm. Leonard motioned seconded by Clm. Evans to adopt the Resolution. All in favor.

There will be a Public Hearing for the 2026 Budget at 7:00 pm on November 11, 2025 before the Regular Board Meeting.

**M-67** Clm. Leonard motioned seconded by Clm. Evans to have the Public Hearing on November 11, 2025 at 7:00 pm. All in favor.

Supervisor Strosahl made sure that Engineer Murray was keeping track of all his hours. Engineer Murray stated that DOT wants all work itemized and he would work with Bookkeeper Dewey on that. Engineer Murray shared that paving is completed up to the Prospect Valley Bridge. They are waiting on guardrails and the epoxy deck coating may have to wait because of the cold weather. They may close out the project and complete the work in the Spring. Engineer Murray will ask if there is a temporary seal that can be used to protect it from the salt.

Webmaster Malone shared with The Board her findings on the new town website. She said things are not being done the way they should be. Clm. Leonard said he is working on SOP (procedures) that are on-going. Webmaster Malone would like to see all the file names in the same format so it "looks professional". Things are "not where they're supposed to be". Clm. Leonard said he would fix it. Superintendent Whatley was curious about how many people actually go to the website and if there was a way to know this like a counter.

Clm. Reichert will put in a ticket with the County to reopen e-mails that are not working or give new emails to those that do not have one.

M-68 Clm. Evans motioned seconded by Clm. Reichert to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm. All in favor.