

Town of Candor
101 Owego Road
Candor, NY 13743
Regular Meeting, March 10th, 2026

Present: Clm. Leonard, Clm. Reichert, Clm. Hanno, Attorney Palmer, Superintendent Whatley, Clerk Shay. Clm. Evans and Supervisor Strosahl were excused.

Others Present: EMS Chase, Angie Malone, Anne Stout, Roger Jantz, Sabrina Swansbrough, Amy Haner Coyle, Ellen Miller and Pamela Spires.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm, followed by a short prayer and pledge of allegiance.

Privilege of the floor:

There were 54 calls for the month of February: average response time 2:12 minutes. 33 billable calls, 2-3 calls dropped, 2-code 2 covered calls, 14 mutual aid calls and 2 controlled substance calls.

EMS Chase stated that he has filed an info application for a \$20,000 grant that will be used to purchase new equipment for the new ambulance. Town of Owego EMS Department has (3) auto loading stretchers available that Candor EMS will be purchasing. Contract with Nichols EMS will be up December 31st. Clm. Leonard stated that it would be more practical to work closer with Spencer EMS.

All staff have completed OSHA training.

Construction starts next week in the community room; updated flooring, walls and adding a shower to the existing bathroom. There is no room available for the 3rd ambulance due to the layout of the station. EMS Chase would prefer not to store the new ambulance at another location. EMS Chase did some measures and there would be room for another ambulance with some construction rearranging, however, the traffic pattern is a concern due to the existing school traffic. Will consider talking with the Village to see if there can be a resolution, however, a traffic mirror may be a more accessible idea.

M28 Clm. Leonard made a motion to accept February 10th minutes, Clm. Hanno seconded, all in favor.

Reports:

General Fund Vouchers \$82,924

Highway Fund \$\$179,546

Supervisor's Report

Town Clerk Report

M29 Clm. Leonard motioned to approve, Clm. Hanno seconded. Roll call, Clm. Leonard, Aye, Clm. Reichert, Aye and Clm. Hanno, Aye.

Assessor's Report: New law coming into effect October of 2026. Veterans with a 100% disability will be exempt from Town and County taxes, with the exception of fire tax. Clm. Leonard posed the question as to whether we will need to update the town law.

Board of Appeals: No report

Building and Grounds: There have been ongoing issues with the generator. Diagnostic testing has been completed, and the repair or replacement will be covered under warranty.

Cemeteries Committee: No report

Code Enforcement: 1 new building permit issued in February, 17 open permits from January 2024 until current and there are 0 violations.

Dog Control: 12 complaints, 11 dogs running at large, 3 found dogs, 7 lost dogs and 0 dangerous dog complaints. A total of 106.40 miles claimed for travel

Highway: With the 3 pieces of equipment purchased and the pending roller purchase approval the budget would be over. However, \$121,000 should have come from last year's budget as the approval was in 2025 for the new plow. Unfortunately, the plow was not completed by December so the budgeted money for the plow would have gone to fund balance. It will appear that the highway will be over budget, however, when the \$122,000 comes out of fund balance at the end of the year the budget will balance.

The other 3 pieces of equipment will be coming in. The plow, the Ford F600 and the mower. I have located a roller from Monroe Tractor with only 500 hours on it. The cost is \$115,000, with a \$35,000 trade in for the existing roller, bringing the balance down to \$80,000.

M30 Clm. Leonard made a motion to approve the purchase of the roller under the state bid., Clm. Hanno seconded. Roll call, Clm. Leonard, Aye, Clm. Reichert, Aye and Clm. Hanno, Aye.

Justice: Effective immediately Tina Bennett, will assume position of Court Clerk and Lynn Shay, will step down to Deputy Clerk.

Information Management: Will confirm that the Microsoft package is up and working.

Planning Board: No report

Old Business: July 4th 250 birthday request for donation will be tabled to April.

New Business: Resolution No. 1 for immediate review of electric delivery charges; demanding improved cost controls and transparency and authorizing formal complaints to NYS Public Service Commission regarding the escalating cost of electricity.

M31 Clm. Hanno motioned to accept resolution 1, Clm. Reichert seconded and all in favor.

Kathy King to be appointed as the Board of Assessment review member. She retired from Tompkins County Assessor's office.

M32 Clm. Leonard made a motion to accept, Clm. Hanno seconded, all in favor

7:50pm Clm. Leonard made a motion to adjourn meeting, Hanno seconded, all in favor.

Lynn Shay
Town Clerk