

Catskill Town Board Committee Meeting
Catskill Town Hall
August 20, 2025 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Jared Giordiano, Deputy Supervisor
 Dawn Scannapieco, Councilwoman
 Steven Espel, Councilman
 Brian Kozloski, Councilman

Absent : Patrick McCulloch, Supervisor

Deputy Supervisor Giordiano opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed all in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING – Allen Street Sewer District Expansion

RESOLUTION # 99-2025

RESOLUTION AND ORDER CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING UPON PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF ALLEN STREET SEWER DISTRICT PURSUANT TO SECTION ARTICLE 12 OF THE TOWN LAW

Councilman Giordiano presented the following for consideration and adoption,

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Catskill ("Town Board" and/or "Town"), on behalf of its Allen Street Sewer District ("Allen Sewer District"), received a Petition from Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp., owner of certain real property in the Town, situated at 7964 Route 9W (SBL 156.01-3-18) ("Petitioner"), pursuant to the Town Law Article 12 for the extension of the boundaries of Allen Sewer District together with a Map, Plan and Report, prepared by a State of New York duly licensed engineer; and

WHEREAS, such Petition has been reviewed by the Town Attorney of the Town and has been found to be substantially in conformance with the requirements for a petition to create or expand a sewer district provided in the Town Law Article 12 Section 191; and,

WHEREAS, such Map Plan and Report was prepared by the Town Designed Engineer, with funding for its preparation provided by the Petitioner, and has prepared in conformance with the requirements to support a petition to create or expand a sewer district provided in the Town Law Article 12 Section 192; and,

WHEREAS, the district extension consists of expansion of the territory and boundary of the Allen Sewer District to encompass the aforesaid real property owner by the Petitioner; and,

WHEREAS, the Map Plan and Report describe the infrastructure to be constructed

at the expense of the Petitioner, which consists of a proposed sewer lateral to be constructed with a combination of gravity pipe and a low-pressure system with a grinder pump, with said with said infrastructure to be constructed to remain under the ownership and operational control of the Petitioner upon connection; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in the Petition, the maximum amount proposed to be expended for the improvements proposed in connection with the Project is \$197,000, which cost will be borne entirely by the Petitioner, and as set forth in the Map Plan and Report: (a) there is a one-time commercial sewer hookup fee of \$100.00; and (b) the annual cost of the district or extension to the typical property, which is the Petitioner's aforesaid real property, is \$1,328.00, which is comprised of \$5.00 for operation and maintenance and \$327.00 quarterly user cost, for a total quarterly cost of \$332.00, or \$1,328.00 annually; and

WHEREAS, proposed extension of the Allen Sewer District is an action subject to the requirements of SEQR, and Petitioner has provided a short environmental assessment form for the Board's review.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

1. The Town of Catskill Town Board hereby a) classifies the action as an unlisted action, pursuant to SEQR; b) declares its intent to seek lead agency status in connection with a coordinated review, pursuant to SEQR; and c) directs that notices of the same be circulated to potential involved and interested agencies, including, without limitation: NYSDOT, NYSDEC, and the Village of Catskill.
2. A public hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Catskill shall be held at the Town Hall, 439 Main St, Catskill, NY 12414 on August 20, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., local time, to consider the Petition to extend the Allen Sewer District, as described in the Map Plan and Report, pursuant to Section 193 of the Town Law, and to hear all persons interested in the subject and for the Town Board to conduct any actions related to this proceeding as may be required by law;
3. The Town Clerk shall publish at least once in the official newspaper of the Town for such publication, and post on the signboard and/or website of the Town maintained pursuant to subdivision 6 of Section 30 of the Town Law, a notice of hearing, with the first publication and posting to be not less than ten (10) days or more than twenty (20) days before the date of such public hearing.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Councilman Espel seconded this motion.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote on a roll call, which resulted as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Absent
Patrick McCulloch,	<u>X</u>		
Jared Giordiano,	<u>X</u>		
Dawn Scannapieco	<u>X</u>		
Steven Espel	<u>X</u>		
Brian Kozloski			<u>X</u>

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK }
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COUNTY OF GREENE }

I, the undersigned,

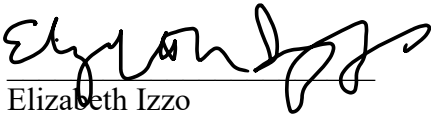
DO HEREBY CERTIFY That I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Catskill (the “Town of Catskill”), including the resolutions contained therein, held the 5th day of August, 2025, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Town of Catskill and of such resolutions set forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same related to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Town of Catskill had due notice of said meeting, that due notice of said meeting was given to the public and news media as required by Article 7 of the Public Officers Law and that the meeting was open to the public and that public notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with Article 7 of the Public Officers Law.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that there was a quorum of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Catskill present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified, or repealed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of Catskill this 6th day of August, 2025. .



Elizabeth Izzo
Catskill Town Clerk

Deputy Supervisor asked if there was any public comment. A representative from Collier reiterated that Central Hudson would own and maintain the connection to the sewer main. The connection will be at the northern manhole on N. Allen Street.

Deputy Supervisor Giordiano asked if the board had any comment. With none being heard, the public hearing will remain open until the next meeting as the operation and maintenance cost as well as the quarterly cost are different than what was posted.

RESOLUTION # 101-2025 on motion of Councilwoman Scannapieco, second by Councilman Kozloski to accept the certiorari settlement with Walgreens Eastern Co. Inc./19 Central Avenue LLC to end litigation with the Town of Catskill with the new assessed value being \$1,582,000 for years 2025, 2026, 2027 and the 2028 assessment rolls. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (McCulloch)

CORRESPONDENCE:

Allyson Voerg, Racing Assistant for the Alpha Wins Triathlon, requesting approval of use of town roads for their event September 14th. The roads are High Falls Road near Mossy Hill before entering the township of Saugerties. *Resolution # 102-2025 on motion of Councilman Espel, second Councilwoman Scannapieco authorizing the use of town roads for the Alph Wins Triathlon Race being held September 14, 2025. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (McCulloch)*

Deborah Johnson of CCSD requested a letter of support for their ConnectALL Digital Equity Program Capacity Grant. Councilwoman Scannapieco's concern with hiring three people is after the grant ends, the school district would then need to support the salaries which would be an increase in taxes. They also pay BOCES a lot of money for tech instruction and support and feel we need more information on what they wish to do.

Deputy Supervisor Giordiano stated this request just came in today and the grant application is due Friday. He is a support for closing the digital divide. Councilwoman Scannapieco agreed but is not sure this is the best way to do that.

After further conversation, the board was divided with no motion authorizing the Supervisor to sign the letter was made because of insufficient information.

Councilman Espel mentioned the breakfast event for seniors at the center tomorrow 9 am.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Izzo spoke about the county wide ambulance initiative. He has received expenses and revenue reports from the Comptroller's Office for all town ambulance services within Greene County. The expenses are less than the revenues the towns generate though actual expenses against actual revenues need to be investigated.

In the meetings there are certain towns who have issues on affording an ambulance service. The county is preparing their 2026 budget and they are taking over the fly car system which is not for profit. They also include in the budget an administrator with the intention of implementing the county wide service in 2027. These meetings have no consensus. Everyone wants to do the right thing but there are inconsistencies. He would like the board to be updated because this initiative will be happening quickly and he would like to know the affect it will have on our town. He urges the board to not give anything to the county you do not want to give up. The Town of Catskill Ambulance is a positive asset for the town.

Deputy Supervisor Giordiano stated the county taking over the fly car system does not fix the system. Staffing is an issue also. We all believe in our system.

Councilman Kozloski stated we will not jeopardize our ambulance department.

With no further comment a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Kozloski, second Councilman Espel. The meeting ended at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk