

Catskill Town Board Monthly Meeting/Budget Meeting IV
Catskill Town Hall
October 15, 2025 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Patrick McCulloch, Supervisor
Jared Giordiano, Councilman
Steven Espel, Councilman
Brian Kozloski, Councilman

Absent: Dawn Scannapieco, Councilwoman

Supervisor McCulloch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution # 113-2025 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Kozloski scheduling a public hearing for Local Law 6 of 2025 Overriding the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal Year 2026 for Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 6:30 pm. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Resolution # 114-2025 on motion of Councilman Espel, second Councilman Kozloski approving the hire of Justin Menelaos as temporary MEO for the Highway Department at a rate of pay of \$27.25 per hour. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Resolution # 115-2025 on motion of Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Kozloski accepting the quote from Dr. Kleen Cleaning Services to perform a deep clean of the Senior Center in the amount of \$4,854.84. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Supervisor McCulloch stated a proposal was received from Greene County Real Property for next year's low income/disability and senior citizen tax exemption limit and sliding scale. This will be reviewed at the next meeting.

BUDGET:

Town Clerk – salary 6% increase request. Supervisor McCulloch polled the board. Councilman Giordiano has no issue as she is the central nervous system of the town. Motion for a 6% increase by Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Kozloski. Adopted Vote: 4 Yes 1 Absent (Scannapieco)

Supervisor McCulloch asked if there was any other discussion about the budget. Councilman Giordiano mentioned the quote for the bucket truck at the cemetery. He is having Jack Ormerod call other companies for comparisons. Supervisor McCulloch stated he spoke with Marc and it would be useful but too expensive.

Supervisor McCulloch stated the board spoke about including the two full-time elected officials in the wage chart and slotting them between grades 8 and 10. A flat rate of \$520 will be added to their salary but next year we will have to slot them into their respective years as they are not getting the hourly rate and will need to be adjusted.

Councilman Giordiano stated this will be good for new people coming in.

Supervisor McCulloch stated the minimum tax cap is 2.25% which means we would use \$465,000, \$180,000, \$6,000, and \$100,000 in the fund balances respectfully. The general fund has been increased \$20,000 which will bring us under the tax cap. The rate outside the village would be 2.25% and in village 6.01%, which is an increase.

Tomorrow night's meeting will finalize. There are not a lot of areas in the budget we can make cuts. There is no fluff in this budget.

The board will eventually need to have a revaluation done and we should have enough money in the budget to do that.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Joe Izzo updated the board on the county meeting the other night. The town is being charged \$36,000 in chargebacks and asked if the town knew of this. The town did not.

He also asked about the Supervisor's meeting on October 20th for the county wide ambulance system. Supervisor McCulloch is unsure if this meeting includes the Town Supervisors. The meeting is scheduled for the 22nd.

Discussion regarding the proposed county wide ambulance system continued.

With no further business, a motion to enter executive session to discuss a personnel issue was made by Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Espel. No further business will be conducted at the end of the executive session.

As told by Supervisor McCulloch, a motion to exit executive session and close the meeting was made by Councilman Giordiano, second Councilman Espel. The meeting ended at 7:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Izzo
Town Clerk