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Kingsbury Town Board Meeting August 18th, 2025

The Town Board meeting for the Town of Kingsbury was conducted on Monday August 18th, 2025, at the Kingsbury Town Hall, 6 Michigan Street, Hudson Falls.

Present: Dana Hogan, Supervisor
Sean Akins, Councilman
Jim Lindsay, Councilman

Absent: Bill Haessly, Councilman
Dan Washburn, Councilman

Others Present: Jeff Meyer, Town Attorney
Rebecca Pomainville, Comptroller
Todd Humiston, Dog and Code Enforcement
Mason Leonard, Highway Superintendent
Mike LaRose

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hogan at 6:30pm and opened for business with the Flag Salute by Councilman Akins.

The minutes of July 21st, 2025, Town Board Meeting were accepted as submitted by the Town Clerk. A motion by Councilman Akins and seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 3 ayes.

I. Continuance of Public Hearing July 21st for Nuisance Property

Things are going well at the property. The Kayaks were removed; vegetation was removed from the fence. The last thing to be taken care of is the trailer being removed and that will be done this upcoming Friday. There was no further public comment so the Public Hearing will remain open and moved to September 15th so the Board can confirm the trailer was moved and things are still going okay.

II. Insurance Renewals

The current policy ends September 30th and the current CDPHP premiums are going up 16%. Debbie Bell gave the Town another option to consider. It would mean switching to MVP and everything is close to the same except for two significant things.

First, the total deductible goes up to \$13,650.00 more than potential exposure but we have never reached the full deductible. We are currently averaging lower than previous years with 30-35% where we were reaching 50-60% total exposure previously.

Second, MVP does not have a vision plan, but they offer a vision rider. Our current vision plan through CDPHP isn't the best. It's one eye exam a year and \$75.00 for your glasses. When Rebecca projected what current health insurance costs would be with MVP and the vision rider it saves us about \$10,000.00 for the year with no huge impact on the employees. MVP will offer 3 doctors' visits with your doctor before it hits the deductible. Rebecca recommends that the Board switches health insurance. Councilman Lindsay asked how it

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would affect the Union guys. They would have to contribute less next year with this switch. A motion by Councilman Akins and seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 3 ayes to switch Health Insurance providers from CDPHP to MVP as of September 16th, 2025.

III. Crossing Guard Approval

The original crossing guard the Board approved rescinded his application. Carol needs the Boards approval for Ralph Lamont to start as a crossing guard at the beginning of the school year at \$20.00/hr. Mason also offered to assist Carol and the crossing guards with coverage if she has a hard time. A motion by Councilman Lindsay and seconded by Councilman Akins and carried by a vote of 3 ayes to approve the hire of this new crossing guard.

IV. Zoning Amendments

Jeff is currently working on this with Todd regarding language so at the moment it is still not ready.

Legal Update

No update at the moment.

Reports

Paige Zahaba, Town Clerk

Everything is ready for School tax collection and off to a good start. There are no tax girls coming back to assist but confident she will get it done.

Mason Leonard, Highway Superintendent

Deb Donahue from Washington County reached out to Mason and asked if he would send a cost workup to consider mowing for the county. He is going to work on a number for next year with next year's budget and salaries to mow these 18 miles for Washington County. Mason said Mike is doing a great job keeping up right now and he believes we can bring some money into the Town if they accept his offer. Currently if they don't mow Mason gets calls about it anyways. She needs to know what his offer is by the 29th of August.

Mason found a new snowplow truck that he would like to purchase with the approval of the Board. It needs to go out for bid and would cost about \$45,000.00. We would have to post it ASAP and have bids due by September 15th and October 20th we could do final approval. We would have to have a permissive referendum for 30 days to use funds from the Equipment reserve. After that we can make a budget amendment to transfer the money.

A motion made by Councilman Akins and seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 3 ayes for a Resolution.

Councilman Lindsay

Let everyone know the cemeteries look great.

Supervisor Hogan

He has been informed that now Jake-braking is being done purposely.

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A motion by Councilman Lindsay and seconded by Councilman Akins and carried by a vote of 3 ayes to accept the written monthly reports for June and July as follows:

June

Code Enforcement Officer:

Permits:4 Fire Inspections:5 Research Fees: 5 Building Inspections:21

Town Clerk:

Paid to Encon: \$11.34 Paid to Supervisor: \$3,980.55 State share of Bingo: \$130.91

Paid Village: \$260.00 Paid Ag & Markets: \$129.00 Paid Dept of Health: \$112.50

Town Comptroller:

Receipts: \$309,086.88 Disbursements: \$422,038.31

July

Code Enforcement Officer:

Permits:3 Fire Inspections:4 Research Fees: 1 Building Inspections:28

Town Clerk:

Paid to Encon: \$10.78 Paid to Supervisor: \$5,447.88 State share of Bingo: \$107.10

Paid Village: \$160.00 Paid Ag & Markets: \$141.00 Paid Dept of Health: \$135.00

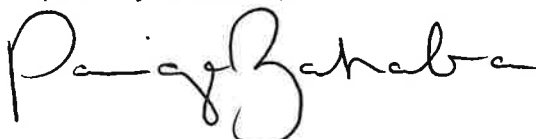
Town Comptroller:

Receipts: \$373,587.53 Disbursements: \$493,896.51

There was no public comment

A motion by Councilman Akins and seconded by Councilman Lindsay and carried by a vote of 3 ayes at 6:52pm to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paige Zahaba". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paige" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Zahaba".

Paige Zahaba, Town Clerk