

2-12-2026 - REGULAR FEBRUARY MEETING

Present:

Councilman Matthew Krist
Councilman Krissy Kittleson
Councilman Kathleen Becker
Supervisor Beverly A. Gambino

Absent:

Councilman Leonard R. Hochadel

Also Present:

Highway Superintendent Christopher Dabolt
Town Clerk Jennifer L Bray
Approx. 5 guests

Supervisor Gambino called the Regular February meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge to the Flag led by ECSO Deputy Shane Miller.

Supervisor Gambino stated that there was one set of minutes from the Organizational and Regular meeting held on January 8th to be approved. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Kittleson, the minutes were approved as submitted. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Warrant #2 of 2026, including vouchers #16 through #95, totaling \$98,596.25 of which \$44,841.61 was for the General Fund, \$45,812.77 was for the Highway Fund, \$5,451.14 was for the Fire Protection Fund and \$2,490.73 was for the Streetlighting Fund. On a motion by Kittleson, seconded by Krist, the Warrant was approved for payment. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

Department Reports

Deputy Miller updated the Board on ECSO activities in the Town. He reported that the Erie County Sheriffs Community Engagement Team has a Facebook page that for the community to follow and will be launching a new app for sending tips to them.

Supervisor Gambino stated that she had agreed to allow a public comment from Town resident Stephen Welk of Matteson Corners Rd. Mr. Welk read a letter that he had written regarding Hand Rd. being closed for an extended period of time and sited numerous concerns he has about that.

Tony Dash from Waste Management spoke regarding the delivery of new recycling totes that will be given to town residents over the next few weeks. He spoke briefly about garbage collection and the changes coming to recycling pickup.

Superintendent Dabolt reported about a potential road salt shortage the many municipalities are dealing with after the harsh winter.

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was a resolution to approve a new fireman for the Chaffee Sardinia Fire Company. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Kittleson, the following resolution to be known as Resolution #4 of 2026 was moved for adoption.**

Resolution #4 – 2026

APPOINTMENT OF CHAFFEE-SARDINIA VOLUNTEER FIREMAN

WHEREAS, the Sardinia Town Board is in receipt of the application of Donn L. Smith, and

Who has applied for a volunteer position as a Volunteer Firefighter to the Chaffee-Sardinia Memorial Fire Company and,

WHEREAS, Donn L. Smith is currently a resident of the Town of Sardinia, and

WHEREAS, the Sardinia Town Board supports and approves the appointments of Donn L. Smith, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the appointment of Donn L. Smith, Volunteer Fireman to the Chaffee-Sardinia Memorial Fire Department.

DULY ADOPTED, this 12th day of February, 2026 by the following vote: Becker, aye, Hochadel, absent, Krist, aye, Kittleson, aye, Gambino, aye. **So resolved, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Supervisor Gambino stated that the next item on the agenda was a resolution to approve hiring Wendel for engineering services to work on the Towns behalf on a proposed solar project that has been applied for by National Energy Development. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Kittleson, the following resolution to be known as Resolution #5 of 2026 was moved for adoption.**

Resolution #5 – 2026

**TOWN OF SARDINIA
RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sardinia met at a regular board meeting at the Town Hall located at 12320 Savage Road in the Town of Sardinia, New York on the 12th day of February 2026, commencing at 6:30 P.M., at which time and place the following members were:

Present: Supervisor Gambino
Council Member Krist
Council Member Becker
Council Member Kittleson
Absent: Council Member Hochadel

WHEREAS, all Board Members, having due notice of said meeting, and that pursuant to Article 7, §104 of the Public Officers Law, said meeting was open to the general public and due and proper notice of the time and place whereof was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received an application for a special use permit for a Tier 3 Solar Energy System from National Energy Development, LLC, to be located at 10989 Savage Road in the Town of Sardinia; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the complexity that comes with the siting of Solar Energy Systems, the Town feels it is necessary to engage the services of an engineer familiar with the technical knowledge of solar siting regulations who will be able to advise the Town and ensure that its local solar regulations are observed; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires for the cost of such engineering services to be covered by National Energy Development, LLC, and has entered into an escrow agreement with said developer to cover such costs; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received an Engineering Services Agreement for such engineering services from Wendel; and

WHEREAS; the Town Board has reviewed the terms and conditions of said agreement, and finds such terms acceptable; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Sardinia now desires to engage the services of Wendel, and shall authorize the Town Supervisor to execute an Engineering Services Agreement between Wendel and the Town of Sardinia.

NOW ON MOTION OF Councilman Krist which has been duly seconded by Councilman Kittleson, be it

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Sardinia, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the Engineering Services Agreement with Wendel regarding the application for a special use permit for a Tier 3 Solar Energy System from National Energy Development, LLC, to be located at 10989 Savage Road in the Town of Sardinia.

DULY ADOPTED, this 12th day of February, 2026 by the following vote: Becker, aye, Hochadel, absent, Krist, aye, Kittleson, aye, Gambino, aye. So resolved, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.

There being no other business to come before the Board Supervisor Gambino asked for a motion to adjourn the February meeting. **On a motion by Krist, seconded by Gambino, the February meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm. Carried, 4 ayes, 0 noes, 1 absent.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer L. Bray, RMC
Town Clerk