

# REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Berlin  
November 13, 2025  
**7:30p.m.**

The Town Board of the Town of Berlin, County of Rensselaer, State of New York met on the above date to transact such business as may lawfully come before such board. Members present were Supervisor Robert Jaeger, Councilman Stephen Riccardi, Councilman Douglas Feathers, and Councilman Dean Maxon. Councilman John Winn was absent.

Councilman Riccardi made a motion to accept the workshop minutes from October. Councilman Feathers seconded the motion.

  4   Ayes   0   Nays Motion Carried

Supervisor Jaeger opened the meeting with the town clerk's report from October. Supervisor Jaeger made the motion to accept the town clerks report with Councilman Maxon seconding the motion.

  4   Ayes   0   Nays Motion Carried

**WATER DISTRICT #1** – Nothing to report.

**WATER DISTRICT #2** – Cedarwood has fixed the issue with the transducer. They have also put the other repairs out for bid. The repairs will help to alleviate the issues that the residents at the end of Judson Road are experiencing. Supervisor Jaeger will reach out to Cedarwood and W. J Kellar to fix the punch list items that they have not repaired as of date.

**HIGHWAY** – Highway Superintendent James Winn reported that they have made some repairs based on the last snow squall we just had, and they are ready for winter.

Councilman Maxon made a motion to purchase a stone roller for the price the board was quoted. Supervisor Jaeger seconded the motion.

  4   Ayes   0   Nays Motion Carried

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER** – DCO Doug Goodermote reported a rabies clinic saw about 70 vaccinations.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** – CEO Walter Yerdon reported that he attended the conference for Code Enforcement Officers. He received the new regulations for Code Enforcement in NYS.

He also reported that the average building cost for a house in the town of Berlin is looking like close to \$600,000.00. There are several new properties that are being constructed well over \$500,000.00

Based on the new laws and regulations that are coming into effect, Walter will need a new computer in order to operate the necessary programs required by the state. He also stated that it would be in the board's best interest to re-evaluate the fees for building permits. He also has suggested that moratorium be placed regarding solar farms.

#### **COMMITTEES -**

**ZBA** – Nothing to report.

**Comprehensive Plan**- Nothing to report.

**PLANNING BOARD** – Nothing to report.

**TRANSFER STATION** – Transfer station supervisor Doug Goodermote reported that the repairs to the compactor are expected to cost around \$3,000.00. The board agreed to go ahead and make the repairs. The cost to replace it will be substantially more than that to fix.

**AMBULANCE** – Supervisor Jaeger reported that the building has been erected and work is progressing along.

**YOUTH COMMISSION** – Nothing to report.

**ASSESSOR** – A new email was established for the assessors will be [berlinassessors@gmail.com](mailto:berlinassessors@gmail.com)

**WORKSHOP-** Nothing to report.

**WEBSITE-** Nothing to report

**HISTORIAN** – Nothing to report.

**TAX COLLECTOR** – Nothing to report

**CORRESPONDENCE-** Nothing to report

**OLD BUSINESS** –Councilman Feathers reported that he received approval to get a quote from Greater Heights for mowing of the old landfill.

**NEW BUSINESS-** Supervisor Jaeger made a motion to accept the 2026 Budget. Councilman Maxon seconded the motion.

**BOARD –**

Supervisor Jaeger made a motion to enter executive session. Councilman Maxon seconded the motion. The board entered executive session at 8:01PM

  4   Ayes   0   Nays    Motion Carried

The board returned from executive session at 8:10 PM

The monthly bills were read by Town Clerk Sarah VanBuskirk. After the reading of the bills, Councilman Maxon made a motion to accept the bills with Supervisor Jaeger seconding the motion.

  4   Ayes   0   Nays    Motion Carried

Councilman Maxon followed up regarding the status of the two properties which have been engineer inspected. Walter Yerdon will prepare letters for both properties that have been deemed uninhabitable and the letters will be sent to all property owners.

**PUBLIC-** Nothing to report.

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilman Maxon to adjourn the meeting in the memory of Linda Hall lifelong resident and local bus driver. Supervisor Jaeger seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm.  
\_\_4\_\_Ayes \_\_0\_\_Nays Motion Carried