A Public Hearing on the proposed 2026 Town Budget was held at 6:45 PM prior to the Town Board meeting. Supervisor Guzzi gave an overview of the budget. There will be 5% raises for most town employees and there were slight changes to some budget items. The public hearing was closed at 6:57 PM.

The regular monthly meeting, of the Town Board of the Town of Livingston, County of Columbia, and the State of New York was held at the town hall, 119 County Route 19, Livingston, NY on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025.

Present: Supervisor James Guzzi

**Deputy Supervisor Will Yandik** 

Councilperson William Bender

Councilperson Phil Massaro

Councilperson Fred Conte

Supervisor Guzzi opened the meeting of the Town Board with the pledge to the flag, at 7:00 p.m.

#### Resolution # 109

## Motion to approve the September monthly minutes

A motion was made by Councilperson Conte, seconded by Councilperson Massaro to approve the minutes of the october monthly town board meeting.

Votes: 5 Ayes, 0 No

Communications: none

#### Supervisor's Report

The following reports were read by Supervisor Guzzi:

**Town Supervisor** 

Town Clerk- Total local shares remitted to town of \$ 10,680.97 for October

Highway- Services all vehicles, got dump truck plow frames and sanders ready, cleaned up storm damage from the wind, cleaned culvert pipes of leaves.

Building Dept- 16 permits, 0 C/O, 6 Abstract C/O's, 0 Mobile Home. 0 Fire Violations, 1 Fire Inspections, 1 Alarm registration, 0 wedding, 1 special event, 1 misc. \$ 6310.38 month-Total for \$2025 \$35,655.85

Dog Control- 6 calls for October

Assessor-22 hours, 6 in office meetings, 38 parcel transfers, 0 building permits processed, 13 phone calls/ emails, 0 exemptions, 3 file/map maintenance, 0 Splits/mergers, 0 valuations, 0 address changes, 0 escrows

### Resolution # 110

### Motion to approve the monthly reports as read

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik to approve the October monthly reports as read.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

### **New Business**

#### Resolution # 111

## Motion to adopt the 2026 Town Budget

A motion was made by Councilperson Conte, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik Councilperson Bender, to adopt the 2026 Town Budget.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

## Resolution # 112

Motion to appoint Rebecca Harcleroad as representative from the Town of Livingston, to the Columbia County Environmental Council

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender to appoint Rebecca Harcleroad as representative from the Town of Livingston, to the Columbia County Environmental Council

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

Nina Benvenuto, Administrator of the Columbia County Office of the Aging spoke at the meeting and gave an overview of the programs they offer

https://aging.ny.gov/location/columbia-county-office-aging

Rec Park- Christmas in Livingston will be held on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Rec Park building. The senior holiday luncheon will be on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at noon, also at the Rec Park.

Twin Lakes- swim season is closed for the year

### Resolution # 113

Motion to set a public hearing on Local Law #7 of 2025, a local law to regulate shipping containers within the Town of Livingston.

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Conte, to set a public hearing on Local Law #7 of 2025, a local law to regulate shipping containers within the Town of Livingston.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

#### Resolution # 114

Motion to nominate for re-appointment, Larry Saulpaugh, as representative for the Towns of Clermont, Germantown and Livingston, to the Columbia County Planning Board

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender to nominate for re-appointment, Larry Saulpaugh, as representative for the Towns of Clermont, Germantown and Livingston, to the Columbia County Planning Board

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

Supervisor gave an update on the new ambulance company, had a meeting with them and looked at options and it was decided that the town will have Greenport and Copake companies move in beginning in January and they can lease the current ambulance building.

Supervisor Guzzi said that the NYS Comptrollers' office wants a multi-year written fund balance policy.

#### Resolution # 115

Motion to supplement the Town of Livingston's written fund balance policy with a written multi year financial and capital plan

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender, to supplement the Town of Livingston's written fund balance policy with a written multiyear financial and capital plan

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

### **Committee Reports**

Buildings- no report

Senior Citizens Advisory Council- Supervisor Guzzi reported that the senior nutrition site may move to the Rec Park from the current location at the Elizaville firehouse.

Planning and zoning- no report

Ethics- no report

Highway- as per the supervisor's report

Communications- no report

Office Support- no report

Historian- no report

County Environmental Management- no report

Emergency Management- no report

Special Projects- no report

Twin Lakes: no report

Audit Committee:

### Resolution # 116

## Motion to pay bills

A motion was made by Councilperson Massaro, seconded by Councilperson Bender to pay the bills as presented.

# 62-69 Highway # 368-391 General

Vote 5 Ayes, 0 No

# **Public Comment**

Historian Gatti gave an update of the roof leak at the history barn; it isn't too bad right now and Steve Blair, spoke about area residents helping a local veteran who is a town resident, with fixing his septic system in the Twin Lakes area and also said that the culverts are not working correctly in that area and need to be looked at by the Highway Dept. The dept will be working on them in the Spring per Supervisor Guzzi.

### Resolution # 117

### Motion to adjourn the meeting

A motion was made by Councilperson Bender, seconded by Councilperson Conte, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote 5 Ayes, 0 No

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Molinski,

