

November 5, 2025

Schultzville, NY

A public hearing on the 2026 preliminary budget was held on this day in the Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Whitton, Councilmen Charlie Dykas, Eliot Werner, Councilwoman Katherine Mustello, Councilwoman Auspitz and Town Clerk Carol-Jean Mackin. There were two people in the audience.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At 6:30 PM, Supervisor Whitton called the public hearing to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

The Town Clerk read the Public Hearing Notice aloud.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilman Werner to open the floor to public comments. All aye. Motion carried.

Arlene Campbell – Congratulations.

Mike Whitton – corrected two mistakes, the deputy Town Clerk should be 15 hours/week as continued from 2025. The GPS system math was incorrect. Supervisor Whitton suggests a policy is necessary if the GPS is used as he believes the union would want a say with these devices monitoring employee activities. In addition, the highway is getting a new grant for radios that work all over town so the Highway workers can communicate via radio. Charlie Dykas suggests leaving it in the budget. Katherine said they don't need to use the GPS system it to get around town, they know the roads. Asks if a drive cam would make more sense as we would have them for proof if there was an incident, it would protect the drivers. Mike Whitton said the current price for the GPS system is only good until Jan 1, we need a policy before they are installed. The Board has agreed to cover the additional costs with fund surplus and the changes will be added to the final budget.

At 6:45 PM, there being no further comments, MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilman Werner to close the public hearing. All aye. Motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MM 6:46 PM, MM Supervisor Whitton, 2nd Councilman Werner to adjourn the meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carol-Jean Mackin".

Carol-Jean Mackin, Town Clerk