



TOWN OF CANISTEO

REGULAR BOARD MEETING Minutes

August 10, 2026

Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Supervisor Joseph Harrington with the Pledge to the Flag.

Council Members Present: Supervisor Harrington, Bill Lain, and Steve Kilmer, Gus Thompson
Absent, James Dennis

Also in attendance was **Town Clerk**, Steve Cotton and **Highway Supervisor**, Carl Howland

Others in attendance: Sue Frykholm (FEMA), Ben Burdick, Jay Coombs, Alan Maine, John Foy, Cindie Harrington, Ryan O'Neil (WLEA), Angela (Koco) Dunham, Michael Volino, (County Legislator), Steve Brown, Elaine "Kitten" Brown, George Brandi, Tim Beaver, Josephine Beaver, Eli Lapp.

Motion made by Kilmer and seconded by Dennis to **approve the minutes** from the July 13, 2026 meeting.

Ayes: Dennis, Lain, Harrington, Kilmer, Thompson **Nays:** _____

Department Reports:

Budget Officer	(Received)	Codes Officer	(Received)
Dog Control Officer	(Received)	Highway	(Received)
Historian	(Received)	Supervisor	(Received)
Town Clerk	(Received)	Assessor	(Reports only major changes.)

Old Business:

Motion made by Kilmer and seconded by Thompson to approve the Newly Negotiated **Fire Contract** with the village.

Ayes: Lain, Harrington, Kilmer, Thompson **Nays:** _____ **Absent:** Dennis

New Business:

Motion made by Kilmer and seconded by Lain to approve Resolution 9-2025 – adding the Town Clerk/Tax Collector to the Tax Collector Checking Account with Citizens & Northern (C&N).

Ayes: Lain, Harrington, Kilmer, Thompson **Nays:** _____ **Absent:** Dennis

FEMA: Sue passed out the monthly report to the Highway Supervisor, Town Clerk and the Board. Last page three accounts ready for closeout – Paid money can transfer to the reserved account. Will be meeting with engineers regarding Rock Run and Red Spring roads. There will be some discussion with the county over if it will be a bridge or culvert.

Motion made by Kilmer, seconded by Thompson to approve the **Budget Modifications**

A.) Budget Modifications

	Description	Debit	Credit
• B599	FUND BALANCE	\$197.85	
• B3620.4	SAFETY INS – CE		\$197.85
• DA599	FUND BALANCE	\$75124.25	
• DA5130.2	MACHINERY – EQ		\$68,093.39
• DA5130.4	MACHINERY – CE		\$7,030.86

Ayes: Lain, Harrington, Kilmer, Thompson **Nays:** _____ **Absent:** Dennis

Resolved by a Motion made by Kilmer and seconded by Lain to **Pay Invoices.**

A. \$4341.32	B. \$1164.58
CD. \$65,797.39	
DA. \$14,540.78	DB. \$5032.83
Total: \$89,876.90	

Ayes: Lain, Harrington, Kilmer, Thompson **Nays:** _____ **Absent:**

Public Comment:

Michael Volino, (County Legislator), gave an update regarding the Shariff working with Federal Agencies, and the town of Freemont regarding their windmills. The county tax auction will take place between September 8 – 15. The county Historian will be hosting a semiquaincentennial event in Bath's Pultney Park on Saturday September 5th.

Supervisor Haring mentioned that he had a conference call with the Engineer Wind Company and the Kanestio Historical Society regarding the monies the wind company will provide for historic preservation. There was talk to give some of the monies to the historical to install an elevator and to use some for-lawn equipment in the maintenance of the town cemeteries.

Budget Work Session was set for 6:00pm September 14th.

Tim Beaver who had brought a property on Rock Run Road spoke regarding the lack of a building permit when he tore down the old cabin and built a new one on the property. Codes officer Foy and Board Member Kilmer explained the law around the tar-down and building. The board advised Mr. Beaver to hire a Professional Engineer (PE) that is approved by Codes Officer Joy. Any realtor can provide a list of PE's in the region.

Motion made by Kilmer and seconded Thompson to **Adjourn the Regular Board Meeting**; meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Steve Cotton, Town Clerk