

**WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER HELD
ON TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025, AT 6PM AT THE TOWN HALL LOCATED ON RTE. 23A
IN TANNERSVILLE, NEW YORK.**

Present:	Sean Mahoney	Supervisor
	David Kukle	Councilman
	Raymond Legg	Councilman
	Ernest Reale	Councilman
	Dolph Semenza	Councilman

Corina Pascucci(left 8:30) Town Clerk

Others Present:	Lara Hamrah-Poladian	Secretary to the Supervisor
	Robert Blain	Superintendent of Highways
	Sgt. Robert Haines	Hunter Police Department
	Marc Czermerys	Planning Board Chair
	Plus, all names on the attached list.	

Supervisor Mahoney calls the meeting to order at 6:01 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AUDIT – The following vouchers were audited and approved for payment.
General Fund (TW) Voucher #140 through #182 in the amount of \$33,501.54
General Fund (TOS) Voucher #1015 through #1016 in the amount of \$284.87
Highway Fund (TW) Voucher #56 through #68 in the amount of \$10,579.04
Highway Fund (TOS) Voucher #1015 through #1022 in the amount of \$10,806.93
Landfill Closure Fund Voucher #22 through #27 in the amount of \$2,581.71

Plaque presentation honoring departed Officer Michael J. Overbaugh, Master Patrol Officer 1989-2025.

Sgt. Haines introduces members of Michael Overbaugh's family and presents them with a plaque honoring Michael's years of service to the Town of Hunter and the community. He adds that Michael was an important part of the Hunter Police Department, and he had so much respect from the community.

Supervisor Mahoney speaks:

Tonight, we gather not only to honor a dedicated public servant, but also to remember a friend, a colleague, and a true pillar of our community – Michael Overbaugh.
Mike began his law enforcement career right here in the Town of Hunter in 1984. From that moment on, he became a steadfast presence: someone we could always count on. Even as his responsibilities grew and he took on many other important roles within the County, he never stopped showing up for Hunter. He remained on our roster until the time of his passing earlier this year, and that kind of loyalty speaks volumes about the kind of person he was.
What stood out most about Mike was his sharp wit and his remarkable sense of humor. No matter the situation, he could lift spirits with just a few words or a well-timed joke. He brought a sense

of ease and camaraderie wherever he went, and his presence always made our team feel stronger and more connected.

To the Overbaugh family – thank you. Thank you for sharing Mike with us for all these years. We know the weight of his loss is heavy, but we hope it brings some comfort to know how deeply he was loved and respected by all of us here.

It is with great appreciation and heartfelt gratitude that we present this plaque in honor of Officer Michael Overbaugh. May Mike’s memory continue to inspire us all.

TOWN HALL COMPLEX Update/review (Greta Hansen)

Sample plans shown. Discussion on wash bays, school bus parking, Fire Department, community hall, second-floor sleeping quarters for ambulance staff, parking, connectivity between buildings, space to expand, archival storage in basement, solar, expanding ambulance bays, kitchen needs, emergency facility needs, budget.

Supervisor Mahoney asks everyone to think of possible uses for a new Town Hall building.

Greta will return to the individual town offices to go over the draft plans and their opinions and needs.

SHORT TERM RENTALS – Discussion on updated price from Deckard Tech.

R. Santiago states this new company would have the software up and running in 4-6 weeks. She will contact them to find out if the quote includes properties in the Villages as well as the price would lower if they were to be removed.

Town Board to revisit this item at the next regular meeting.

TOWN HALL PARKING LOT

Councilman Kukle makes a MOTION to authorize agreement w/ Cardinal Rule Productions. Seconded by Councilman Legg.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Acknowledged receipt of Certificate of Insurance from above.

ELECTRONIC BANKING POLICY

L. Hamrah-Poladian would like to add more safeguards to the draft policy. She is opposed to information being accessed anywhere other than within the Town Hall building.

Supervisor Mahoney states the court would have read only access which could be accessed elsewhere. He asks L. Hamrah-Poladian to bring her edits to the next meeting.

C. Pascucci had to leave.

HUNTER TRAIL COMMITTEE

Acknowledged notice of meeting set 4/8/25.

Discussion on fundraising.

Supervisor Mahoney moves to the audience side of the table acting as the owner of NexStep Digital. He states the Town would collect funds and put into a Hunter Branch Rail Trail account, adding the Town's website needs updating/upgrading because it is not currently set up for commerce. He states that the approximate cost to make these upgrades is between \$1500-\$2000.

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to authorize the Town Board to appropriate up to \$2,000.00 to hire NexStep Digital to modify the Townofhunter.gov website to be able to accept donations going specifically to a singular bank account to hold those said dollars for Hunter Branch Rail Trail's trail efforts.

NO SECOND

Councilman Reale modifies the above MOTION to add the Town's website design will allow contributions to donate for general trail development and/or specific for the Hunter Branch Rail Trail handicap accessibility and development. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Recuse-1- (Supervisor Mahoney)

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to modify the motion to authorize the Town Board to appropriate funds for NexStep Digital from the General Fund Savings. Seconded by Councilman Kukle.

Ayes -4-

Noes -0-

Recuse -1- (Supervisor Mahoney)

Discussion on the need for a merchant account, Stripe payment processing system and a bank account which the board feels is all covered under the motions above.

S. Mahoney moves back to the Supervisor seat with the Town Board.

Supervisor Mahoney states it is now mandatory for all municipal websites to have a .gov domain, which the town has implemented. He adds there is an issue with the emails as they are under the old domain name of gov.com, this will need to change to comply. M. Czermers will be working on this.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Reale makes a MOTION to go into Executive Session at 8:48 PM to discuss employment history of a particular person. Seconded by Supervisor Mahoney.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to come out of Executive Session at 9:38 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Supervisor Mahoney makes a MOTION to adjourn at 9:38 PM. Seconded by Councilman Semenza.

Ayes -5-

Noes -0-

Corina Pascucci, Town Clerk, RMC
Town of Hunter