

Town of Turin
Regular Town Board Meeting
November 9, 2026

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Turin, County of Lewis and the State of New York was held at the Municipal Office Building, 6312 East Main Street, Turin, NY on the 9th day of November 2026.

Daniel Szalach, Supervisor
Collin Stewart, Deputy Supervisor
Robert Bindner, Councilmember
John Karelus, Councilmember-Absent
Edward Koss III, Councilmember-Absent
Paul Dickinson, Highway Superintendent
Sheena Dickinson, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Registrar

Others Present:

Josh Leviker, County Legislator & Village Mayor
Carrie Kubinski, Town Justice
Christine Healt, CTHC
Robert Watson, Town Resident
Rivver Tourville, Deputy Highway Superintendent
Mike Gorczcya- Highway MEO
Fred Rivette-Part-time Highway MEO

Supervisor Szalach called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting was recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Christine Healt-CTHC Rep.: Christine discussed the upcoming trainings, webinars and grants that are available. The dates for the 2027 Local Government Conference have been verified for April 26-27th, 2027, at Turning Stone Resort. The November 2026 Tug Hill announcements had been emailed to the Clerk previously.

Josh Leviker:

-The County has paved sections of West Road, and the guardrails have been replaced on the Cut.

-County is still working on the Preliminary Budget.

-There will be a meeting regarding the County-wide Comprehensive Plan on November 12, 2026.

-The County has sold the old school in Glenfield to Cornerstone Group, and they will begin to revamp it into a 60-unit apartment building.
-Village has pulled the water data for the November 1st water bills that go out in February 2027. Also, water has been shut off to several seasonal homes.
-Kovach has surveyed the new wells and B&L will send these results to the State and then once approved can start the renovations on the treatment plant.
-The grant for the sewer project was denied due to them using census data for village/town income, which is incorrect. There are other grants/options, and the Village wants B&L Engineers to do a report to see if feasible. The total for the report is $24,750; the County will pay a third, the Village a third, and asked if the Town would pay a third since we have users in the outside district. A motion by Councilmember Stewart to pay a third of the cost for the engineering report was made, a second by Councilmember Bindner; all in favor, motion carried. The town cost will be $8,250.00.

MINUTES: Motion by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Bindner to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2026, Budget Meeting Minutes, the October 12, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, and the October 26, 2026, Budget Public Hearing Minutes as presented by the Town Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- All Councilmembers received a copy of the November Announcements.
-All Councilmembers received a copy of letter from the New York Association of Towns regarding the 2027 membership dues.
-Supervisor Szalach attended a meeting with Lauryn Schell and other town supervisors and mayors regarding the County Comprehensive Plan. Any comments or questions let Supervisor Szalach know.

REPORTS:

SUPERVISOR: -Copies of the financials for October 2026 and bank statements were provided by the accountant. **Resolution 2026-35** authorizing the following budget transfers/modifications in the General, Highway and Outside Water District No. 2 accounts by Councilmember Stewart, a second by Councilmember Bindner; all in favor, motion carried.

FUND: General Fund

ACCOUNT	INCREASE	DECREASE
Supervisor A1220.4	A1220.4- $101.84	A8310.4- $101.84
Assessor A1355.4	A1355.4- $29.69	A8310.4- $29.69
Town Clerk A1410.4	A1410.4- $26.60	A8310.4- $26.60
Public Info & Services A1480.42	A1480.42- $521.08	A8310.4- $521.08
Town Garage A5132.4	A5132.4- $1097.54	A8310.4- $1097.54

CLERK: Presented the monthly Clerk Report for October 2026. There were no questions at that time. A motion to accept the October Clerk Report was made by Councilmember Stewart, a second by Councilmember Bindner; all in favor, motion carried. Clerk Dickinson stated that the online tax collection fees have not been finalized yet and will let the Board know once they are.
JUSTICE: The summary of cases for the month of October 2026 had been provided, and Justice Kubinski was in attendance to go over/explain the report as we have new Councilmembers.
PLANNING BOARD: They had one subdivision this month.
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT: The abstract for the month was provided, and Highway Superintendent Dickinson went over the work that has been completed.
-Dickinson stated that we cannot accept the Minimum Maintenance Road Map received from the Tug Hill Commission because once it was looked over, he realized that it is missing a portion of a road. This resolution will be tabled until next month.
-Dickinson submitted a check to Supervisor Szalach for scrap for $179.91 and the insurance check for Carpenter Road guard rails.
-The salt/sand shed needs a bit more backfill around it, and Ryan Salmon is working on the electrical for the lights. They have 80 loads of sand so far.
-One of the recommendations from our insurance provider, NYMIR, is to do weather tracking documentation when a truck leaves the barn. The County runs dash cams instead which settles this recommendation and has many other favorable benefits. The cost is approximately $1,800/year, which includes three cameras and two GPS units for pickups. The cameras have lifetime warranties and free installation. The school uses this same camera system on the school buses. A motion to install/purchase the cameras was made by Councilemember Stewart, a second by Councilmember Bindner; all in favor, motion carried.
OLD BUSINESS:
- **Resolution 2026-36-Adoption of the Final 2027 Budget**: After review of the Preliminary Budget and changes made thereto, a motion adopting the Preliminary Budget to the Final Budget was made by Councilmember Stewart, a second by Councilmember Bindner; all in favor, motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS:
-A motion to approve the 2027 Exemption Questionnaire with no changes was made by Councilmember Bindner, a second by Councilmember Stewart; all in favor, motion carried.
-A motion to sign the updated copy of the IMA with the Cooperative Tug Hill Council was made by Councilmember Bindner, a second by Councilmember Stewart; all in favor, motion carried.
MOTION FOR PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS: A motion by Councilmember Stewart to pay vouchers (General Fund 269-302=$122,450.26, Highway Fund 81-89=$12,437.59 and Water District No. 2 Fund = $0), a second by Councilmember Bindner; all in favor, motion carried.
With no further business to attend, a motion was made by Councilmember Bindner to adjourn. A second was made by Councilmember Stewart; all in favor, meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m. Next regular meeting to be held on Monday, December 14th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
Respectfully Submitted, Sheena L. Dickinson, Town Clerk