SENECA TOWN BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes | July 21st, 2026

ROSLYN GRAMMAR *Town Supervisor*	**PATRICK KING** *Highway Superintendent*	**LARRY TOWNLEY** *Town Resident*
JIM MALYJ *Councilman*	**BEN KARLSEN** *Water Superintendent*	**NICK D`AMICO** *Town Resident*
JASON MOSHER *Councilman*	**CORDELL RASMUSSEN** *PWMA*	**MELISSA D`AMICO** *Town Resident*
JESSE ORBAKER *Councilman*	**JERRY HOOVER** *Code Enforcement*	**AMANDA GIBEAU** *SHG Ambulance*
KAREN MOON *Councilwoman*	**ALYSSA RASMUSSEN** *Town Resident*	**DONNA SPINK** *SHG Ambulance*

The regular meeting of the Town of Seneca was held on July 21st., 2026, at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall, 3675 Flint Rd., Stanley, NY 14561. Supervisor Grammar led the pledge of allegiance and completed the roll-call so everyone in attendance was acquainted. The Supervisor noted that Clerk Eagley, Assessor Hilton, and Historian Mastellar were all necessarily absent.

Supervisor Grammar looked for a motion to approve the agenda for the evening. The motion was made by Councilwoman Moon and seconded by Councilman Orbaker. All were in favor.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Supervisor Grammar offered privilege of the floor and Amanda Gibeau with the Stanley, Hall, Gorham Ambulance wished to speak. Mrs. Gibeau reported that their Financial Consultant comes back from vacation soon and she plans to have the requested financial reports to us within this week.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Grammar didn't have many updates to give; however, announced that Financial Meeting #4 will be Wednesday, July 29th at 2:00 pm here at the Town Hall. Supervisor Grammar plans to give a county update at the Financial Meeting.

Next, Supervisor Grammar looked for the motion to approve the minutes from the June 16th regular meeting. The motion was made by Councilman Mosher and seconded by Councilwoman Moon.

Communication titles were read aloud and noted that they are all on file to view at anyone's convenience. In communications, we had the 2025 Casella Host Fee Audit Report and the May/June issue of the AOT Talk of The Towns Magazine.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

HIGHWAY: Councilman Orbaker stated that he was under the impression that the entire parking lot of the Town Complex was going to get re-surfaced and not just the Highway. Water, and Salt Barn Portion. Highway Superintendent King stated that their portion is just getting fully re-surfaced and Supervisor Grammar confirmed that only that side of the complex is getting resurfaced and then next year the entire complex will be seal-coated so that it all looks like one complete piece.

Councilman Orbaker then stated that the board was informed that the Highway Department had something in the ditch that day. Highway Superintendent King stated that a mower tractor did go in the ditch and there was no damage to it.

WATER: Water Superintendent Karlsen stated that he's now been here for 6 months. He wanted to say that at first he wasn't totally comfortable coming from a long-term employment and a comfortable place to a new place; however, the gentlemen that he has in his department have been great at getting him comfortable and they've been a really great team to work with and have helped him get comfortable here. He gave an example that an issue arose on Father's Day this year and he needed some help. Regardless of what each individual was doing and had planned that day, they all showed up to help and he is incredibly thankful for a team that is willing to jump in on days like that.

Water Superintendent Karlsen also added that they finalized all of the hydrants and the guard valves to the hydrants. They only ran into two issues but those issues were quickly fixed. The Water Department is still working on the main-line valves. They're about three-quarters of the way done.

Councilman Orbaker said the only question he had was that he saw that the Town paid someone to do a Backflow check and he thought that PWMA Gaydosh was licensed to do that. Water Superintendent Karlsen said that they are working to get him re-certified as he has to be recertified every year. The training is in the Fall-time and they will work on it when the time comes.

CODE ENFORCEMENT & ZONING: CEO Hoover stated that he appreciates the Water Department as they were able to get the weeds trimmed around here and we were able to get everything sprayed down around here, so we should be able to get ahead of everything around here.

Proctor Roofing has ordered supplies and materials for the shop roof and said that would take about 2 weeks to be delivered. He said that once the materials are in, they will come over and get it done.

Supervisor Grammar took a moment to fill in for Clerk Eagley as she was not in attendance. She explained that Clerk Eagley has been doing a ton with Water Billing and processing a lot of marriages lately and some cleaning up in the office.

Supervisor Grammar looked for a motion to approve the Supervisor, Town Clerk, and Code Enforcement Financial Reports. The motion was made by Councilman Malyj and seconded by Councilman Mosher.

NEW BUSINESS

Res. #	Description	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain	Motion	Second
#53-26	2026 Warrants	5	0	0	0	Councilman Orbaker	Councilman Mosher

General	Highway	Water	Sewer	Water Cap.	Lighting		
					Hall	Stanley	S. Castle
$73,014.66	$64,087.68	$117,491.05	$1,078.72	$12,585.72	$357.73	$242.46	$297.73

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Grammar asked if anyone had any old business and there was none to be discussed.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Supervisor Grammar offered Privilege of the Floor once again. Town Resident Larry Townley wished to speak.

He took a moment to thank Water Superintendent Karlsen for what he's done. He said that it has now been 7 years since he first brought the exercising of the hydrants up and since then he has asked about it many, many times and no final answer on completion. He said that it's amazing how fast it can get done and that it was done in just around two months. Water Superintendent Karlsen thanked Mr. Townley for the kind words.

Supervisor Grammar looked to see if anyone else had anything to add before the end of the meeting and Town Resident Nick D`Amico wished to state some concerns and explained that he wasn't sure how else to address it. He stated that he has been calling and asking to have the ditch on Ferguson Rd. to be addressed. He has been trying to have it addressed since he first moved into the home he's in now, adding that there have been a couple of emails specifically this year.

Mr. D`Amico got a hold of our current Highway Superintendent and stated that he made some progress with the issue. He wondered how he could go about getting some type of timeline and if it will or what will be done. Supervisor Grammar asked what the specific issue is and he said it was drainage.

Supervisor Grammar looked to Highway Superintendent for what he had planned. Highway Superintendent King stated that he told Mr. D`Amico that he would do it, but they've been busy. Councilman Mosher asked what exactly needed to be done and if it just needed to be cleaned and Highway Superintendent King confirmed that it needed to be cleaned.

Supervisor Grammar asked if he has a tentative timeline on that specific issue and Highway Superintendent King stated that they have paving projects and ditching projects and that he cannot give a specific timeline. Adding that Flat Street was supposed to get paved on Thursday but got pushed off to Monday. He said he's at the mercy of other contractors on some projects and that he told Mr. D`Amico that it would be done before Winter.

Supervisor Grammar told Mr. D`Amico that she would share her cell phone number with him after the meeting and that she would continue working with him to make sure that it gets done and to keep him updated on the timeline if it should get pushed further down.

Councilman Mosher stated that he is confident that if Highway Superintendent King said it would get done this year, that it would definitely get done.

Mrs. D`Amico said that when it's told in an e-mail that it isn't on the priority list, that's why we're concerned. Highway Superintendent King responded, correcting them that he stated it wasn't at the *top* of his priority list, because road work is at the top. Mrs. D`Amico said that the email also stated that if they post something on facebook it won't make it happen any quicker; adding that they never posted anything like that and wouldn't do that and that this is the reason why they came tonight as they don't even know how to go about it.

Supervisor Grammar reiterated that she will share contact information with them and that she does agree with Councilman Mosher that if Highway Superintendent King said he would get it done that she believes he will and insists that he will. Mr. & Mrs. D`Amico said that they appreciate that.

Additionally, Mr. D`Amico said that a piece of farm equipment went down the road that dug the street and that it's a nice-sized gash. Councilman Mosher asked if it was an oil and stone issue and Mr. D`Amico said that he thinks that's what the road is and Highway Superintendent King said he hasn't seen it yet. Supervisor Grammar stated that we would keep an eye on it.

Councilman Orbaker asked if there were lines in the road and Mr. D`Amico said that it's one big strip that's roughly 4 feet long. Supervisor Grammar thanked Mr. & Mrs. D`Amico for their comments tonight.

With nothing left to be brought before the board, Supervisor Grammar looked for a motion to adjourn the regular July Meeting. The motion was made by Councilwoman Moon and seconded by Councilman Mosher. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully written & submitted by:
Haley S. Eagley, Town Clerk
(based off of a digital recording provided by Supervisor Grammar)