Minutes of the Geneseo Town Board Meeting
January 7, 2026

Members Present:
William Wadsworth, Town Supervisor
Matthew Griffo, Town Councilmember
Robert Deming, Town Councilmember
Gary Mix, Town Councilmember
Margaret Reitz, Town Councilmember
Ellen M Zapf, RMC, Town Clerk

Also Present:
Larry Levey, Highway Superintendent

Visitors:
Eddie Lee, Kim Lee

Meeting Opening:
Supervisor Wadsworth convened the meeting at 4:30 p.m., with Councilmember Mix leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Wadsworth then requested a moment of silence to honor the men and women serving around the world.

Appointments:
Supervisor Wadsworth appointed Councilmember Matthew Griffo as Deputy Town Supervisor for a one-year term.

Board Appointments:
Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Mix to approve the reappointment of Ellen M. Zapf, RMC as the Town Clerk and Registrar of Vital Statistics for the remainder of a two-year term commencing on January 1, 2025, and ending on December 31, 2026. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to approve the reappointment of Debra Streeter as Deputy Town Clerk for a two-year term to expire on December 31, 2027. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Councilmember Mix proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to approve the reappointment of John Maxwell as Chair to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a five-year term to expire on December 31, 2030. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Councilmember Reitz proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Mix to approve the reappointment of Floyd Streeter to the Planning Board for a seven-year term to expire on December 31, 2032. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Mix to approve the reappointment of Larry Levey as Highway/Water Superintendent for a two-year term to expire on December 31, 2027. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Designations:

Councilmember Mix proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to approve the designation of the Livingston County Newspaper as the official Town of Geneseo newspaper. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to approve the designation of all local banks and state-recognized municipal investment options acceptable for official Town of Geneseo business. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Mix to approve the posted IRS Mileage Rate as the official Town of Geneseo rate. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Authorize Supervisor to Prepay "Time Sensitive" Bills:

Councilmember Reitz proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to authorize the Town of Geneseo Supervisor to approve prepay or "time-sensitive" bills. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Adopt 2026 Tentative Meeting Schedule:

Councilmember Mix proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Reitz to approve the 2026 meeting schedule with the meetings to be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 4:30 PM. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Open Position Association of Towns:

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to appoint Supervisor Will Wadsworth as the delegate and Jacob Zoglin from Underberg & Kessler as the alternate for the Association of Towns Annual Meeting. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Procurement Policy:

Councilmember Mix proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Reitz to approve the Procurement Policy of the Town of Geneseo. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

Fire Protection Policy

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Deming to approve the Intermunicipal Fire Protection Policy with the Village of Geneseo. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.

There was discussion regarding the allocation of court clerk work between the Town and the Village and how associated costs should be divided. Supervisor Wadsworth stated that he would like to discuss this matter further with the mayor before signing the Intermunicipal Court Agreement with the Village of Geneseo.

Adjournment:

Deputy Supervisor Griffo proposed the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Maxwell to adjourn the Organizational meeting at 5:00 PM. The motion was adopted with the following votes: Wadsworth - aye, Deming - aye, Reitz - aye, Mix - aye, and Griffo - aye. No nays were recorded.