

TOWN OF CAMBRIA TOWN BOARD

May 8, 2025

The regular meeting of the Town of Cambria Town Board was held at 7:00 pm on the 8th day of May 2025 at the Town Hall, 4160 Upper Mountain Road, Town of Cambria, New York.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jon T. MacSwan, Supervisor
Louise Brachmann, Councilwoman
Jeffrey S. Hurtgam, Councilman
Benjamin D. Musall, Councilman
Randy M. Roberts, Councilman

ALSO PRESENT:

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk
Abe Platt, Attorney
Tim Walck, Engineer
16 interested individuals

Following salute to the flag, Supervisor MacSwan called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Board members took action upon the following matters:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Hurgam and seconded by Councilman Musall it was resolved to approve the minutes of the Town Board meetings of April 10, 2025, work and regular.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Having been reviewed by the Town Board, the following claims were presented for payment:

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ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
Cemetery	\$ 525.49
Drainage	\$ 16,615.65
Fire	\$ 17,752.32
General	\$ 85,136.01
Highway	\$ 64,551.81
Water Operating	\$ 10,735.81

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilwoman Brachmann it was resolved to approve the abstract of audited vouchers dated May 8, 2025, be approved as read by the Town Clerk.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

OLD BUSINESS

Wendel Projects: no reports

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR

Jon MacSwan, Supervisor, reported as follows:

- No solar updates.
- Advertising for a Part Time Water Clerk – \$20.00/hour 15 hours a week.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilwoman Brachmann and seconded by Councilman Roberts it was resolved to authorize the Supervisor to advertise for a part time water clerk-15 hours a week/\$20.00 per hour.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

TOWN CLERK REPORTS

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk, reported as follows:

- Town Clerk Report April : Total Receipts: \$ 10,432.76.00
- Building Inspector Report April: Total fees collected: \$ 3,499.33
Estimated value of construction: \$ 861,259.40
- In receipt of a request from Cambria Volunteer Fire Co. to add Nick Nicoloff Buckingham Ln. Hamburg and Keedyn Warrant 2681 Albright Rd. Ransomville to the active Roster. We have Nick's physical paperwork; we do not have Keedyn's.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam it was resolved to approve Nick Nicoloff Buckingham Ln. Hamburg and Keedyn Warrant 2681 Albright Rd. Ransomville to be added to the Cambria Volunteer Fire Company's active Roster.

**pending receipt of Keedyn Warrant's physical paperwork.*

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

TOWN PARK

Patrick McCoy, Head Groundskeeper reported as follows:

- The Town Park is ready for summer. This includes the pickle ball courts, volleyball courts, the drinking fountains are all up and running.
- Mowing has been a challenge with the weather.

Recreation

Corrine DiNieri, Recreation Specialist reported as follows:

- Held a spring break camp for kids who were off from school. It was run like the summer recreation program.
- There are 60 kids enrolled for the summer recreation program. Field trips are planned. This year parents will pay for field trips and bussing for children. Last year grant money was available.
- There will be community events this year including lego night, movie night, car show and a color run.
- The concession stand will be up and running at the park.
- There are 11 staff coming back from last year-3 are not returning.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Jonathan Pressley, Deputy Superintendent reported as follows:

HIGHWAY:

- Brush pickup has started. (no state roads)
- Servicing roadside mowers.
- Trucks are helping other towns.
- The week of May 19th the town will be milling and paving Cambria Rd. (south)
- Authorization from the Town Board to declare various pieces of old equipment as surplus.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilwoman Brachmann and seconded by Councilman Roberts it was resolved authorize the Highway Department to declare various pieces of old equipment as surplus and to auction at a future date.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

CEMETERY

- Clean up and mowing.

WATER/SEWER

- Still changing out meters.
- Water services are being installed; irrigation meters have been distributed.
- Working on policy changes for grinder pumps.

ATTORNEY

Abe Platt, Attorney reported as follows:

- He will be working with the Building Department to streamline some of the various processes they use with regard to the filings before the boards in order to make it more efficient.

CONCERNS OF THE CITEZENS

Sharon Tasner Subbera Rd.

Ms. Tasner indicated that she spoke to the board previously about the use and duration of storage containers. She has spoken to the Building Inspector again and he said to talk to the Town Board. Supervisor MacSwan told Ms. Tasner to contact his office and he will go with her to talk to the Building Inspector.

David Godfrey, Legislator, reported as follows:

- The County has applied for a permanent license to run EMS.
- The County will be giving Cambria \$1,000 toward the car show.

PROCUREMENT PURCHASES

HIGHWAY 2025-08 5130.04 \$4,281.95

Replacement of right and left front springs on truck #55-would not pass inspection.

Falls Auto Spring, Inc Niagara Falls \$4,281.95

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Roberts and seconded by Councilwoman Brachmann, it was resolved to accept the proposal from Falls Auto Spring Inc. Niagara Falls in the amount of \$4,281.95 for the replacement of right and left springs in truck #55.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

HIGHWAY 2025-09 5130.04 \$7,628.56

Emergency Repairs to truck #6 - hydraulic and engine oil leaks.

Regional Heavy Equipment & Truck Dysinger Rd. Lockport \$7,628.56

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Musall and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam, it was resolved to accept the proposal from Regional Heavy Equipment and Truck-Lockport in the amount of \$7,628.56 for emergency repairs to truck #6. (hydraulic and engine oil leaks).

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

HIGHWAY 2025-10 5130.04 \$16,439.72

Emergency Repairs to truck #4 – clutch adjustment, air leak, new radiator, new a/c condenser, brake issue.

Regional Heavy Equipment & Truck Dysinger Rd. Lockport \$16,439.72

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Hurtgam and seconded by Councilman Musall, it was resolved to accept the proposal from Regional Heavy Equipment and Truck-Lockport in the amount of \$16,439.72 for emergency repairs to truck #4, clutch adjustment, air leak, new radiator, new a/c condenser, brake issue.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

ADDITIONAL REPORTS:

Councilman Roberts reported on a letter that was received from NYSEG and RG&E regarding residents granting access to their homes so crews can conduct natural gas meter inspections. These federal and state mandated inspections are conducted periodically to meet requirements that support the safe delivery of gas to homes and businesses. Mr. Roberts advised that residents make sure to ask for ID before allowing anyone into their home.

Notice attached:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 5, 2025

NYSEG and RG&E Remind Customers About Access for Natural Gas Meter Inspections

Utilities conducting mandatory state and federal inspections Ongoing inspections throughout 2025 support safe delivery of natural gas

BINGHAMTON, N.Y. - May 5, 2025 -

New York State Electric & Gas (NYSEG) and Rochester Gas and Electric (RG&E) are reminding customers about granting access to their homes so crews can conduct natural gas meter inspections. These federal and state-mandated inspections are conducted periodically to meet requirements that support the safe delivery of natural gas to homes and businesses.

Approximately 20,000 indoor meters in NYSEG's service territory need to be inspected in 2025. In RG&E service territory, there are 40,000 indoor meters due to be inspected this year.

"Customer safety is our first priority," said Chris Hepler, manager of Gas Operations Technical Services for NYSEG and RG&E. "Our inspectors will use gas detection equipment to identify gas leakage and will perform a visual inspection for corrosion on all exposed piping up to the natural gas meter inside your home or business. The entire process takes approximately 10 minutes to complete."

The inspection helps to identify any potential issues such as excessive corrosion, abnormal operating conditions, or leaks that could pose a problem for customers and property if not addressed and repaired. If crews suspect a leak or corrosion, the Companies will address the concern at no cost to the customer.

NYSEG and RG&E employees and qualified contractors will perform the inspections. They will identify themselves by showing a green or yellow company identification badges before entering your home. NYSEG and RG&E encourage customers to always ask to see the ID of any employee or contractor.

You can expect to see inspectors in your neighborhood Mondays through Saturdays.

If you are not available or we are unable to access the meter, we will leave an informational card. Customers may also receive a phone call to schedule inspections. If we are unable to gain access to a meter after repeated attempts in person, or by phone or mail, gas service could be shut off until it is deemed safe, and customers may be charged a \$100 fee. You can learn more about the inspections at Gas Safety Inspections - NYSEG or Gas Safety Inspections - RGE.

- Water Bills were sent out on April 22, however, there has been a glitch with the mailing company. The Water Clerk has been in contact with them and waiting on answers.

COMMISSIONER OF SPECIAL PROJECTS

Matthew Foe, reported as follows:

- Working with Wendel on NYS lead water line inspections/requirements. They have the resources and expertise to help with this project.
- Working on Union Negotiations.

DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

Upon a motion duly made by Councilwoman Brachmann and seconded by Councilman Roberts, it was resolved appoint Matthew Foe as an alternate to the Drainage Committee.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

OFFICIAL UNDERTAKING OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

Supervisor MacSwan indicated the Official Undertaking of Municipal Officers is a requirement for the Town. It carries insurance to protect the Town in case of improper behavior by a Town Official that would cost the Town money. The Town would be covered so that it would not suffer a loss.

OFFICIAL UNDERTAKING OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

WHEREAS, various sections of New York State Town Law and Public Officers Law require that certain officials execute an Official Undertaking; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Cambria hereby requires the Supervisor, Town Justice and Highway Superintendent to execute said Official Undertaking as required by said law will now include the Recreation Specialist and Heads Groundskeeper;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Cambria approve the document entitled "Town of Cambria Official Undertaking of Municipal Officers" as to its form and manner of execution and the sufficiency of the insurance;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each Town official, as above-identified, shall individually sign the official undertaking in the time period provided by law (30 days after commencement of term of office); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Official Undertaking containing the notarized signatures of those named municipal officials be filed in the office of the Town Clerk, as well as the original copies of the insurance policies indicating the sufficiency of the sureties to indemnify the Town against losses which may arise from failure of such officials to properly discharge their duties.

Upon a motion duly made by Councilman Hurtgam and seconded by Councilwoman Brachmann, it was resolved to approve the Official Undertaking of municipal officers to include Corrine DiNieri, Recreation Specialist and Patrick McCoy, Head Groundskeeper, as set forth in the resolution.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion made by Councilman Musall and seconded by Councilman Hurtgam. Time: 7:25 pm.

Ayes: MacSwan, Brachmann, Hurtgam, Musall, Roberts

-Motion Carried-

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara J. Cooper, Town Clerk