Town Board Member’s Present: Roger Reep, Mike Crandall, Garrett Dupree, Bill Deming, Crystal McCannon

Also Present: Callie Perry, Town Clerk, Lynda Reep, Deputy Town Clerk, Kevin Putman, Highway Superintendent, James Bixby, Code Enforcement Officer, Kyle Eldridge, Brad Drake, Kevin McCannon, Jennifer Baker & Mike Perry

7:00 pm: Roger Reep called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reports Submitted:

Town Clerk, Code Enforcement, Highway, Supervisor, Historian, Court & Dog Control.

Announcement:

Dick Johnson passed away. The Town Supervisor would like to build a picnic table with a plaque with his name and have it be placed at the Highway Department where they can get use out of it. The Board agreed to send a $150 gift card and a gift basket to Diane Johnson.

Minutes: November 6th minutes were reviewed.

**Motion by: Mike Crandall**

to approve the minutes from November 6, 2025.

**Seconded by: Garrett Dupree**

**All in favor.**

The Town Supervisor has received multiple complaints about the food panty and its traffic line. They are knocking on houses to use restrooms and homeowners can’t get into their driveways.

Kevin McCannon in attendance on behalf of Crystal McCannon. Stated the police have been to the pantry and told them they are doing a fine job. If people complain, he advised to call the police. He said if people would volunteer instead of complaining, the lines would move quicker. Hours are from 3-5:30 pm and they are doing two nights a week.

The Town Supervisor and Town Board want to work with the pantry to find a solution to the traffic issue. They fear that someone is going to get hit by a car, hurt or killed and the school buses as well as the Highway trucks can’t always get through the traffic. It was suggested having two different days by splitting those from Lindley/Caton and another day for non-residents, make cut-backs or serve only Lindley, Caton and Presho residents. The Town Supervisor would like to attend the Pantry’s Board meeting.

Bill Deming said the Planning Board did not approve their application with 300+ cars and they would not have had they known it was going to be that many. When Janet Schroeder submitted their application, the maximum amount of cars was 6. The Planning Board approved six cars. They are currently working outside of their approval and there needs to be a solution that benefits everyone. Parking starts at 9/10am and it is sometimes lined up to the County Road. It is dangerous, especially during holidays. They need to come from another direction or open up another day.

Mike Crandall said out of 300 families you have 100 cars parked between the Pantry and the Church that you aren’t responsible for what people do in their vehicles, but it’s creating an issue and we don’t want it to be an issue. He thinks what they do is great, but there needs to be a solution.

Kyle Eldride asked if there were checks in their process.

Gerry Gross suggested directing traffic to the old Lindley Road.

Jennifer Baker is aware of a family that has the food they need and bounces around to every food pantry and collect all of the food. Years ago, St. Vincent did it by appointment and food was ready for pick-up.

Kevin McCannon stated they average 375 families per week and they serve everyone that comes.

There will be a Public Hearing on December 18, 2024. The Planning Board is to attend. Any corrections need to be turned in to the Town Clerk beforehand. Mike Crandall said the law number should be changed to number four, asked if there was a form for the SEQR and are the definitions going to be added to the current Zoning definitions or will they be separate?

Jennifer Baker asked if this has been given to the Town Attorney to review so nothing is left out and we aren’t liable for anything. She was told it was.

Copies of the Solar Law are available upon request at the Town Clerk’s office. The Public Hearing will be at 6pm and will be posted on the website.

The Post Office notified us that the lock was not installed on their new door. Bill Deming went over and looked at the door. It has an allen wrench lock. Also, their rental agreement does not expire until 2027.

The Highway Department’s budget decreased $20,000.00 by cutting back. Each year, money should be set aside for future expenses like equipment, not borrow money. We need to build a surplus and designate it for equipment. We need to look into the $20k used for fuel out of ARPA funds and see if it needed to be paid back or not.

Kevin needs a transfer of funds, but because they were unsure of the account numbers to use, they are going to wait until next month to complete the transfer.

Brad Drake suggested starting a three year equipment rotation system. Dealers will purchase equipment for close to what the Town paid for it, then we would have brand new equipment every three years instead of twenty year old equipment worth nothing. The barn fire set us back and ruined any type of rotation we had. The Town’s financials have to be done first for NYS or we can’t apply for loans or grants.

Pilot program for Solar project – no word from Dennis. Jennifer Baker asked if there was a deadline from the time it was approved. She believes that they would have to start the entire application process over again if so.

Dog Control contract increased to $500 per month because of increasing costs and expenses. Roger singed the contract and the Town Clerk will send it to Joel.

Kids can stop in at the Town Hall and write a letter to Santa. They will get a candy cane and coloring pages.

Resignation letter submitted by Kim Clark for her position on the Board of Assessment Review. The position is posted on the Town’s website. She will continue as Court Clerk.

**Motion by: Mike Crandall**

Resolution for Town Supervisor to sign the Dog control Officer’s contract with a $100 increase per month.

**Seconded by: Bill Deming**

**All in favor.**

**Motion by: Garrett Dupree**

To approve payment for the A Fund - General account’s bills.

**Seconded by: Mike Crandall**

**All in favor.**

**Motion by: Garrett Dupree**

To approve payment for the DA Fund - Highway account’s bills.

**Seconded by: Mike Crandall**

**All in favor.**

Jennifer Baker would like to know why she didn’t get a response to an email she sent to the Code Officer and members of the Town and Planning Board. The CEO told her that he denied her application for a permit and would receive a letter in the mail, which she never did. She also stated she did not have a conditional use permit application to complete so she can go to the Zoning Board for a variance. The Town Clerk sent her via email the application. She submitted all paperwork and documents to the Planning Board and the concept was approved. Code was unaware of this. Roger will meet with Earl and then contact Jennifer. Bill and Mike told her that this was not a Town Board issue and she needed to go before the Planning Board.

She is also looking to open a business on Presho School Road and because it was mentioned that the ground was contaminated, she wants to know if she is going to run into issues with the Town for that as well. That would be a matter for DEC.

Before the Planning Board can approve anything, they have to have a Public Hearing. We will get another application to Jennifer.

**Motion by: Garrett Dupree**

To adjourn.

**Seconded by: Mike Crandall**

**All in favor.**

Respectfully submitted.

Callie Perry

Lindley Town Clerk