

January 14, 2026
Town of Erin Year End Meeting & Regular Board Meeting

Supervisor Schmidt called the Year End & regular Board meeting of the Erin Town Board to order on this date.

Supervisor Schmidt did the roll because the Clerk was not present at the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: William VanRiper, Jr., Ryan Buzzetti, Alan Hughson, Michael Shutts, Dawn Schmidt.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Mark Margeson, Ellen Coolbaugh, Jennifer Bates, Joe Frega, Kyle Wieder.

A motion was made by M. Shutts and seconded by A. Hughson to pay the audited bills as they appear on the General Fund Abstract 13 #197-211 totaling \$8,590.74; and the Highway Fund Abstract 13, #159-167 totaling \$16,269.95; and the Street Lighting Fund Abstract 13, #210, totaling \$165.67 and the audited bills as they appear on the General Fund Abstract 1, #1-7, totaling \$4,745.62; and the Highway Fund Abstract 1, #1-5, totaling \$6,758.24.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Buzzetti, A. Hughson, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

A motion was made by M. Shutts and seconded by A. Hughson to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the regular Board Meeting on November 12, 2025 and approve the minutes.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Buzzetti, A. Hughson, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Judge Wieder has the paperwork ready for his annual audit. Council Member VanRiper, Jr. and Council Member Shutts will do the audit.
- CPE's quote for three (3) carbon monoxide detectors installed is \$510.40. Board suggested to check with John McCracken on style and have Harold Spencer purchase and install them.
- Chemung County Spring Household Hazardous Waste collection will be Saturday, May 16th. Pre-registration is required by calling Cornell Cooperative Extension at 607-734-4453 Wednesday, April 22-Wednesday, May 13th from 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00. Chemung County residents only.

The Board will hold a tire day on Saturday, April 18th 9:00-11:00.

AGENDA FOR THE TOWN OF ERIN BOARD MEETING JANUARY 14, 2026;

1. RESOLUTION 20-2026 AUTHORIZING 2025 BUDGET AMENDMENTS

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Resolution By: M. Shutts

Seconded By: A. Hughson

Code Enforcement-John McCracken – Still dealing with complaints on Breesport North Chemung Road. He was given verbal permission by a neighbor, but he is waiting for written permission. The neighboring property that he will be on is in the Town of Baldwin. He will check with the Town Attorney to verify that written permission is acceptable. He needs evidence to apply for a search warrant. Howard VanSkiver has a special permit regarding a subdivision of property on Federal Road to build a new home.

The Board accepted the special permit for Howard VanSkiver and passed on to the Erin Planning Board.

Highway Superintendent-Harold Spencer- They have been plowing and have used a lot of stone. People are complaining about the dust because when the millings dry out, they become dust. The patch truck will not pass inspection and the parts needed are obsolete. It is a 1996 GMC. They have been using Harold's dump trailer. Elmira has patch trucks they are getting rid of. The truck in Hornellsville is ready and can be picked up at any time. The Town will bond for the truck. In order to use CHIPS money, it needs to be paid in full first. Harold will give Diane the paperwork and she will email it to Supervisor Schmidt. In December someone backed over a stop sign in town. A temporary one was placed until NYSEG could mark it. It is in place now. Scrap was returned and a check for \$206.40 was given to the Supervisor.

County Representatives-Mark Margeson- Met with the City and suggested they go back and ask for the sales tax revenue to go back to how it used to be. The County Executive said no. The city is not taking advantage of the County. The County taxes did not go down-the county tax rate was modified \$.20 less; however, the equalization rate went up 2.5%. Most taxes went up. The Towns have to raise taxes in order to supplement. The sewer project is grossly overbudget.

Supervisor -Dawn Schmidt- If you ran for office in 2025, it will be a three (3) year position due to the law that was passed that elections will be on even years. November report from the Sheriff's Department - 42 incidents, 4 traffic tickets, 15 traffic stops, 1 traffic accident. December Sheriff's report - 26 incidents, 5 traffic stops, 1 accident.

With no comments from the public Supervisor Schmidt closed this portion of the meeting.

A motion was made by W. VanRiper, Jr. and seconded by M. Shutts to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried: Ayes: W. VanRiper, Jr., R. Buzzetti, A. Hughson, M. Shutts, D. Schmidt. Nays: None.