

January 1, 2026

State of New York  
County of Fulton  
Town of Oppenheim

Minutes of the **Organizational meeting** held on January 1, 2026 at the Oppenheim Town Hall , located at 110 Route 331, St. Johnsville, NY 13352.

**Present**

Neil Clark	--	Supervisor
Kathleen Montana	--	Councilwoman
Robert Norris	--	Councilman
Brian Miller	--	Councilman
Richard Rumrill	--	Councilman
Gloria Brys	--	Town Clerk
Scott DeNinno	--	Highway Superintendent
David Rackmyre	--	Town Justice

The Organizational Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am with the Pledge to the Flag.

**Oath of Office**

Town Clerk Brys gave the Oath of Office to the following:

Neil Clark - Supervisor  
Kathleen Montana - Councilwoman  
Richard M. Rumrill Jr. - Councilman  
Scott P. DeNinno Jr. - Highway Superintendent  
David Rackmyre Jr. - Town Justice

**RESOLUTION 1** - Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana to go by the Roberts Rule of Order.

Ayes - Miller, Montana, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 2** - Meeting Day

Motion made Kathleen Montana and seconded by Richard Rumrill to have the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm as the meeting day.

Ayes - 5 Montana, Rumrill, Miller, Norris, Clark

Nays - 0

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**RESOLUTION 3** – Information Officer

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Brian Miller to appoint Town Clerk Gloria Brys as Information Officer.

Ayes - 5 Montana, Miller, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 4** - Deputy Town Clerk

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Richard Rumrill to appoint Lucinda Jane Martyniuk as Deputy Clerk

Ayes - 5 Miller, Rumrill, Norris, Montana, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 5** – Town Clerk Hours

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Richard Rumrill to set the following hours the Town Clerk will be at Office: Monday 2:00pm to 5:00 pm, Thursday 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm and the 1st and the 3rd Saturday of every month from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Ayes - Montana, Rumrill, Miller, Norris, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 6** – Highway Department Wages

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Kathleen Montana to set the wages for the Town Highway Department Employees by the current Collective Bargaining Agreement

Ayes - 4 Norris, Montana, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

Abstain - Miller

**RESOLUTION 7** – Town Officials Wages

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Brian Miller to set the wages for Town Officials as per 2026 Budget

Ayes - 5 Norris, Miller, Montana, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 8** – Banking

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Richard Rumrill to use M&T Bank as primary banking services

Ayes - 5 Norris, Rumrill, Montana, Miller, Clark

Nays - 0

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**RESOLUTION 9 – Signatories**

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana to authorize original signee and a second if original is unavailable.

1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor – Neil Clark                      2<sup>nd</sup> signee – Deputy Supervisor

1<sup>st</sup> Clerk – Gloria Brys                              2<sup>nd</sup> signee – Neil Clark

1<sup>st</sup> Tax Collector – Linda Peets                2<sup>nd</sup> signee – Gloria Brys

Ayes - 5 Miller, Montana, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 10 – Payment of Salaries**

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Richard Rumrill to authorize Supervisor to pay all salaries monthly except Superintendent of Highways and Town Highway Employees, which are paid weekly.

Ayes - 4 Norris, Rumrill, Montana, Miller

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 11 – Invest Monies**

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Brian Miller to authorize Supervisor to invest surplus monies in GMMA or Cd's.

Ayes - 4 Norris, Miller, Montana, Rumrill

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 12 –Mileage Rate**

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Richard Rumrill to use 2026 mileage rate set by the IRS

Ayes - 5 Miller, Rumrill, Montana, Miller, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 13 – Newspaper**

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Richard Rumeill to have Leader-Herald as the Town Newspaper

Ayes - 5 Kathleen, Rumrill, Norris, Miller, Clark

Nays - 0

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**RESOLUTION 14** – Registrar of Vital Statistics

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Brian Miller to appoint Town Clerk Gloria Brys as Registrar of Vital Statistics, and all money collected to be turned over to the town.

Ayes - 5 Montana, Miller, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 15** – Registrar Deputy

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Robert Norris to appoint Lucinda Jane Martyniuk as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics.

Ayes - 5 Montana, Norris, Miller, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 16** – Confidential Secretary

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana to appoint Town Clerk Brys as Confidential Secretary

Ayes - 5 Miller, Montana, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 17** – Court Night

Motion made by Robert Norris seconded by Richard Rumrill to set the date and time for Town Court: every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month from 5PM to 8PM

Ayes - 5 Norris, Rumrill, Montana, Miller, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 18** – Service Payments

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Brian Miller to authorize payment in advance of audit of claims for public utilities services including telephone & electric lights, Comptroller Office and to purchase postage. All such claims shall be presented at the next regular meeting.

Ayes - 5 Norris, Miller, Montana, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

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**RESOLUTION 19** – Submission of Invoicing

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana to designate all invoices be submitted no later than Friday before the Town Board meeting, except for emergency claims and last-minute claims, which are to be handed in by 6 p.m. Monday before the town meeting.

Ayes - 5 Miller, Montana, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 20** - Payment on Cancellation

Motion made by Kathleen Montana and seconded by Richard Rumrill to allow the Supervisor to pay the vouchers when the meeting is canceled

Ayes - 4 Montana, Rumrill, Norris, Miller

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 21** – Association Of Towns Delegate

Motion made by Richard Rumrill and seconded by Robert Norris to appoint the Supervisor as a voting delegate for the NYS Association of Towns Annual Meeting.

Ayes - 4 Rumrill, Norris, Montana, Miller

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 22** – 2025 Warrants or Vouchers

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Robert Norris to pay the outstanding warrants, vouchers, or claims for 2025

Ayes - 5 Miller, Norris, Montana, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 23** – Attorney

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Kathleen Montana to table the Attorney

Ayes - 5 Norris, Montana, Miller, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Robert Norris to go into Executive Session  
At 10:28 am

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Robert Norris to come out of Executive  
Session at 11:10 am

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**RESOLUTION 24** – Bookkeeper to the Supervisor

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Richard Rumrill to appoint Joanne Young as Bookkeeper

Ayes - 5 Norris, Rumrill, Miller, Montana, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 25** – Deputy Supervisor

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana to appoint Robert Norris as Deputy Supervisor

Ayes - 4 Miller, Montana, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 26** - Deputy Highway Superintendent

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Richard Rumrill to table the appointment of Deputy Highway Superintendent

Ayes - 5 Norris, Rumrill, Montana, Miller, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 27** – Code Enforcement

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Robert Norris to seek letters of interest for Code Enforcement Officer

Ayes - 5 Miller, Norris, Montana, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 28** – Dog Control

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Kathleen Montana to table the appointment of Dog Control Officer

Ayes 5 - Miller, Montana, Norris, Rumrill, Clark

Nays - 0

**RESOLUTION 29** – Health Officer

Motion made by Robert Norris and seconded by Brian Miller to table appointment of Health Officer

Ayes - 5 Norris Miller, Montana, Rumrill

Nays - 0

Motion made by Brian Miller and seconded by Robert Norris to adjourn meeting at 11:14am

