



## Minutes

Town of Cairo

Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

Town Board Meeting @ 7:00PM

Location: Town Hall Meeting Room

### DRAFT

The Town Board of the Town of Cairo met for a Town Board Meeting on Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026, at the Town Hall, Main Street, Cairo, New York. The meeting was called to order @ 7:00PM and asked the attendees to Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance: Supervisor Bogins, Council Member Brandow, Council Member Flaherty, Council Member Murphy, Council Member VanDenburgh

#### New Business:

- Authorize the Supervisor to Execute Agreement with Greene County to Allow the County to be Lead Agency for the County Community Center SEQRA Review
  - *Resolution No. 2026-054*
- Approve to Hire P/T Library Custodian
  - *Resolution No. 2026-055*
- Approve to Hire P/T EMT
  - *Resolution No. 2026-056*
- Authorizing Public Hearing Moratorium on Cannabis Related Applications
  - *Resolution No. 2026-057*
- Accept Water Billing
  - *Resolution No. 2026-058*

#### Old Business:

- Approval to Increase Ambulance Employee Wages
  - *Resolution No. 2026-046*

#### Correspondence:

- Resignation Letter – L. Bruck, F/T EMT
  - 'Please accept this letter as a formal resignation from my position as a full-time EMT effective at the end of February.  
I am grateful for the learning experiences and opportunities that I have gained from my employment. L. Bruck'
- Termination Letter – M. Anderson, Ambulance Department
  - Email was sent from J. McGee to inform the Board of the Termination.

- Retirement – R. Uzzilia, Cairo Town Historian
  - ‘After long and careful consideration, I have decided to resign my position as Cairo Town Historian.  
I believe the time is right to pass the torch to someone else, able to serve the public in the manner it deserves.  
I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many members of past Town Boards and those in other capacities, who assisted in the many projects accomplished over the past three plus decades. It has been an honor to serve the public in my Hometown, in a position I have great passion for. R. Uzzilia’

**Resolution No. 2026-046 “Approve to Adopt Pay Increases for Ambulance”**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Cairo has received a proposal from the Ambulance Administrator to increase pay wages for Drivers, EMT’s, and AEMT’s \$1.00 more an hour effective immediately to aide in the deficit of personnel in the ambulance department.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Cairo hereby authorizes the Ambulance Administrator to increase hourly pay wages for Drivers, EMT’s, and AEMT’s effective immediately. The following hourly rates are hereby established for ambulance personnel;

AEMT \$25.89  
EMT \$23.07  
DRIVER \$21.77

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**Resolution No. 2026-054 “Authorize the Supervisor to Execute Agreement with Greene County to Allow the County to be Lead Agency for the County Community Center SEQRA Review”**

Offered by Council Member VanDenburgh and seconded by Council Member Flaherty.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Cairo is participating with Greene County to complete the construction of a new Community Center for which SEQRA must be completed and the County has expressed its desire to be Lead Agency for such review; furthermore,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Supervisor or his designee is hereby authorized to execute an agreement to consent to the County to be Lead Agency.

*Supervisor Bogins – Aye, Council Member Brandow – Aye, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye, Council Member VanDenburgh – Aye. Motion Carried.*

**Resolution No. 2026-055 “Approve to Hire Part Time Library Custodian”**

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Council Member VanDenburgh.

**WHEREAS**, there is currently a part-time employment vacancy in the Town of Cairo in the Parks, Buildings and Grounds Department for a Library Building Custodian; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Cairo advertised for the position and received two applications: therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that due to the unexpected resignation of Brandi Harring, the Town Board approves to hire Makenzie Higgins as the part-time building custodian for the library for no more than 15 hours per week, at a pay rate of \$20.00 per hour effective January 23, 2026.

*Supervisor Bogins – Aye, Council Member Brandow – Aye, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye, Council Member VanDenburgh – Aye. Motion Carried.*

**Resolution No. 2026-056 “Approve to Hire Part Time EMT”**

Offered by Supervisor Bogins and seconded by Council Member VanDenburgh.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Cairo Ambulance Department has a vacancy and needs a part-time EMT, and

**WHEREAS**, Molly SanEmeterio is on the Civil Service list and is a qualified EMT, and is willing to move into a part-time position.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective immediately, the Cairo Town Board approves to hire Molly SanEmeterio, and to be moved into a part-time position as an EMT for the Town of Cairo Ambulance. The rate of pay will be \$22.07 per hour per the union contract.

*Supervisor Bogins – Aye, Council Member Brandow – Aye, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye, Council Member VanDenburgh – Aye. Motion Carried.*

**Resolution No. 2026-057 “Authorizing Public Hearing”**

Offered by Supervisor Bogins and seconded by Council Member Murphy.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Cairo is accepting public comments on the proposed moratorium for local law # 1 of 2026 local law imposing a temporary town-wide six-month moratorium on cannabis related applications;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that on February 18, 2026, at 7:00PM, at the Cairo Town Hall, the Cairo Town Board shall hold a Public Hearing to present the proposed six-month moratorium.

*Supervisor Bogins – Aye, Council Member Brandow – Aye, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye, Council Member VanDenburgh – Aye. Motion Carried.*

**Resolution No. 2026-058 “Accept Water Billing”**

Offered by Supervisor Bogins and seconded by Council Member Brandow.

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the Water Billing be authorized by the Town Board and documented in the minutes; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board does hereby accept the Water Billing from the Water Administrator in the amount of \$46,943.90 dated January 1, 2026.

*Supervisor Bogins – Aye, Council Member Brandow – Aye, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye, Council Member VanDenburgh – Aye. Motion Carried.*

**Public Comments:**

- Nicole Ambrosio – Grant Writer
  - Asked about the computer that is supposed to be up and running for board meetings.
  - Will be meeting on Friday 2/6 with Barton & Loguidice about Polly’s Rock Road Bridge.
  - Will be meeting with the State at some point as well. Will also be looking into why we did not get awarded some grants and what needs to be done/changed.
- Marc Gorelick
  - Asks about the Senior Center and if the County will be using it for Meals on Wheels.
    - Yes, it will be used but there will be 2 kitchens, 1 for County use and 1 for Town use.
- A resident had concerns about the recent passing of the new Town Board Meeting Rules. She was wondering why the Board is not accepting public comment before all the resolutions are passed so that the public can comment about these topics. Why 5 minutes, should there be a time limit and is it really going to stop the arguing, if most of it in the past was within the Board themselves.
- Earl had an issue if it interferes with your Freedom of Speech; which is not what the Board is doing, it is limiting it so we can move on with the meetings.
- Ray Pacifico

- As a member of the Greene County Tax Payer's Association, @ \$9 per thousand Cairo has the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest tax rating in Greene County. What can be done to lower taxes but to increase the tax base for necessary spending.
- Would like to know what options can be done with the property that is owned by the School District on William Dinger. What was originally going to be the place where the MS/HS went never happened and is not vacant land. He addressed the school a few years ago about what would be done with the land and suggested that they sell the land to meet some of the budget costs, this never happened. There is now a solar field on this property by the school. A storm water prevention plan that was started in the 90s by the Town of Cairo was never completed in an area known for flooding. So William Dinger Road is in no condition to provide emergency vehicle access in case of a fire on the solar field.
- Gentleman on M. Simons Road
  - Has a solar battery storage project/business, Solar Liberty, he would like to conduct on his property, would like to know about the moratorium and if it has been extended. Will discuss with Tal after the meeting.
- Gentleman on Ira Vail
  - Asks about the proposed cell tower that has been in discussion and what the next steps are.
    - Tal states that since the last meeting that this was discussed that he has not heard anything from them, they could be waiting or it is possible that they found a different location. In order to proceed they would need to filing and application with the planning board to continue.

**Adjourn Town Board Meeting @ 7:24PM**

Offered by Council Member Flaherty and seconded by Supervisor Bogins.

*Supervisor Bogins – Aye, Council Member Brandow – Aye, Council Member Flaherty – Aye, Council Member Murphy – Aye, Council Member VanDenburgh – Aye. Motion Carried.*

Respectfully Submitted

Kayla L. McAlister  
Cairo Town Clerk