

The November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Town of Tioga board meeting was brought to order at 6:00pm.

Present were Councilman Griffin, Councilman Nicholas Schoonover, Councilman Paul Welch and Councilman Robert Strong with Supervisor Douglas Chrzanowski presiding.

Also present was Highway Superintendent Russell Story, Court Clerk Krista Story, Town Constable Jerry Pierce, Bookkeeper Melane Sinsabaugh, Tioga Central School Superintendent Joshua Roe, Mark Cole and Planning Board Member Sean Strong.

Councilman Welch made the motion to approve the October 2025 Town Board minutes as presented, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

No October Planning Board Minutes to approve as the meeting was cancelled due to Election Day.

Update from Superintendent Story:

- Getting the trucks ready for Winter
- Pulling shoulders
- New pickup was delivered

Councilman Strong made the motion to approve the October reports as presented, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Tioga Central School Superintendent Joshua Roe presented The Board with an overview of a \$43.8 million dollar proposed capital project for the school district that will enhance safety and security, improve infrastructure and efficiency, modernize learning environments and support student wellness and activity.

It will take 5 to 6 years to complete all the changes once construction has been started.

This proposed capital project cost will not be passed onto the residents as the Capital Reserve account will take care of the public's share and state aid reimbursement should cover the 39.2 million that needs to be paid over the next 18 years.

Supervisor Chrzanowski requested the engineers get in touch with him to make sure the updated bus garage plan is floodplain compliant.

Councilman Welch made the motion to close the regular meeting at 6:17pm and open the public hearing regarding the 2026 Preliminary Budget, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

No public comments were made.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to close the public hearing at 6:18pm and reopen the regular meeting, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Supervisor Chrzanowski stated that Greater Tompkins County Health Care Consortium has stated The Town would need to pay \$32,607.04 to the Consortium to exit their health care plan due to breach of contract. The contract has been turned over to the Town Attorney and he will advise The Town on the situation by the December board meeting.

The 2026 Preliminary Budget was reviewed and the only change needed was a clerical error on the Town Board salary increase that was presented as 0% change when it should have been entered as a 3% increase.

Councilman Welch made the motion to approve the 2026 Preliminary Budget as presented with the clerical change of Town Board salaries and to adopt it as the 2026 Town of Tioga Budget, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Griffin – Aye	Councilman Welch – Aye
Councilman Schoonover – Aye	Councilman Strong – Aye

Councilman Welch made the motion to approve Resolution #13-2025 as presented, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Griffin – Aye	Councilman Welch – Aye
Councilman Schoonover – Aye	Councilman Strong – Aye

#### **RESOLUTION #13-2025**

#### **BUDGET MODIFICATION TO INCREASE A9901.9 AND A599 FUND BALANCE BY \$250,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING EQUIPMENT RESERVE**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Tioga seeks a budget modification to increase A9901.9 and A599 fund balance by \$250,000 for the purpose of funding Equipment Reserve,

**WHEREAS**, the Tioga Town Board approves the budget modification to increase accounts A9901.9 and A599 fund balance by \$250,000 to help fund the Equipment Reserve, **NOW THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Tioga Town Board has approved the budget modification to increase accounts A9901.9 and A599 by \$250,000 for the purpose of funding the Equipment Reserve.

Councilman Welch made the motion to approve Resolution #14-2025 as presented, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Griffin – Aye	Councilman Welch – Aye
Councilman Schoonover – Aye	Councilman Strong – Aye

#### **RESOLUTION #14-2025**

#### **INTERFUND TRANSFER OF \$250,000 FROM A9901.9 TO ACCOUNT DA5031 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING EQUIPMENT RESERVE**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Tioga seeks An Interfund transfer of \$250,000 from A9901.9 to account DA5031 for the purpose for funding Equipment Reserve,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Tioga Town Board approves the proposed interfund transfer of \$250,000 from account A9901.9 to account DA5031 for the purpose of funding Equipment Reserve, **NOW THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Tioga has approved the interfund transfer of \$250,000 from account A9901.9 to account DA5031 for the purpose of funding Equipment Reserve.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to approve Resolution #15-2025 as presented, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Welch – Aye

Councilman Schoonover – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

**RESOLUTION #15-2025**

**TO TRANSFER \$250,000 TO EQUIPMENT RESERVE DA231E FROM ACCOUNT DA599 HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE EQUIPMENT RESERVE**

**WHEREAS**, the Tioga Town Board is seeking to transfer of \$250,000 from account DA599 Highway Fund Balance to account DA231E Equipment Reserve,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Tioga Town Board approves the transfer of \$250,000 from Account DA599 to Account DA231E Equipment Reserve, **NOW THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Tioga has approved the transfer of \$250,000 from account DA599 to DA231E for the purpose of funding The Equipment Reserve.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to approve Resolution #16-2025 as presented, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Griffin – Aye

Councilman Welch – Aye

Councilman Schoonover – Aye

Councilman Strong – Aye

**RESOLUTION #16-2025**  
**STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

This Resolution will be posted on the bulletin board in the Town Hall located at 54 Fifth Ave; Tioga Center, NY for 30 days from the date of adoption on November 11, 2025.

Councilman Strong made the motion to reappoint Douglas Chrzanowski 3 year term as The Tioga County Planning Board Representative for the Town of Tioga, Councilman Griffin seconded, carried.

Roll Vote:

Councilman Griffin – Aye	Councilman Welch – Aye
Councilman Schoonover – Aye	Councilman Strong – Aye

Supervisor Chrzanowski read a resignation letter received from Kerry Root resigning as Chairman of the Town of Tioga Planning Board, effective November 5, 2025.

The Town Board has requested the Town Clerk place an ad in the Tioga County Courier seeking letters of interest for two open positions on the Town of Tioga Planning Board effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Letters of interest will be reviewed at the December Town Board Meeting.

Councilman Welch made the motion to pay the General Fund in the amount of \$14494.55, Councilman Strong seconded, carried.

Councilman Strong made the motion to pay the Highway Fund in the amount of \$82,825.63, Councilman Welch seconded, carried.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to pay the Bridge Capital Project in the amount of \$10,547.03  
Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Councilman Griffin made the motion to adjourn at 7:13pm, Councilman Schoonover seconded, carried.

Tiffany Middendorf  
Tioga Town Clerk