

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

Town of Tully

Location: 5833 Meeting House Rd, Tully, 13159

April 8, 2026

Members' Present:

Supervisor John Masters
Councilor John Snavlin
Councilor Frank Speziale
Councilor Christopher Chapman
Councilor David Meixell - absent
Town Clerk Susan Vaccaro, RMC

Others Present:

Town Attorney Robert S. DeMore
Financial Officer Thomas Chartrand

Tim W., Art R., Ed W.II, Nate S., Emily L.,
Kaly C.

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Masters called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 11th meeting were made available via email to all board members.
Motion was made by Councilor Speziale and seconded by Councilor Snavlin.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

VOUCHERS

The vouchers were signed by all board members. Motion was made by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Speziale to accept the vouchers.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent John Herold reported as follows:

- 9 times out in March; 1 time so far in April
- Few minor repairs
- The crew is filling potholes, doing lawn repairs
- John reported that the lakes are quite high; brief discussion followed
- Saturday, May 9th is Tully Cleanup Day from 9am to 3pm
- April 25th is Earth Day; the garage will be open for dropoffs

AMBULANCE

Chad Wakula, Captain for Ambulance Operations, reported on the following:

- Number of EMS calls for March was 48
- New suction units are in service
- NYS Medicaid revalidation has been completed
- Still waiting final word from NYS DOH Bems on the part 800 changes to determine whether we replace the Lifepak 15's or purchase 3 AED's
- There was discussion regarding several purchases after which came a motion:

Motion to allow Chad Wakula to purchase a portable fire radio and a multi-unit charger under NYS contract 21562 for a total of \$6006.19.

Motion was made by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Chapman.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

PARKS & RECREATION

Sarah Panzarella reported on parks and rec activities:

- Baseball and softball have kicked off this week
- Communication with the school needs to be discussed regarding the field maintenance

- Green Lake – we have a bid from Shute’s; waiting for a bid from Amber regarding the water system at Green Lake
- Bathrooms at the pavilion – we need to get a plumber in to make some repairs in the men’s room
- Looking for some help with grant writing to get an update on some of our facilities
- We’re having a race on September 13th in conjunction with Tully Community Day
- All sports now have to have someone present at the games who can administer CPR; brief discussion followed.
- Intermunicipal Agreement discussed after which came the following motion:

Motion to set the per student cost for swim IMA to \$110 per student. Motion was made by Supervisor Masters and seconded by Councilor Speziale.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tom reviewed receipts and disbursements including interest rates which are at 3.5%, town clerk fees for March were slightly over \$800, court fines were over \$10,000 this month. The Town received the JCAP grant approval. Ambulance recoveries were \$30,752 putting that fund slightly ahead of projections. Spending was quiet. The following motion was made:

Motion to accept the financial report and to pay the audited bills was made by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Speziale.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

The monthly bank reconciliation was presented to the board.

Motion to accept the bank reconciliation. Motion was made by Councilor Snavlin and seconded by Councilor Speziale.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

FIRE

Councilor Speziale reported briefly on an open house for recruitment on Saturday, April 18th. And they’re still doing training on the new city pumper. Brief discussion.

UPDATES/ACTIONS

Supervisor Masters brought up last month’s discussion on the Blueways Greenways grant which involves planning a sidewalk from the high school to Green Lake. A formal motion was needed which follows.

Motion was made authorizing the town supervisor to sign the acceptance for the \$50,000 Blueways Greenways Grant. Motion was made by Councilor Speziale, seconded by Councilor Snavlin.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

Next, Mr. Masters gave an update on the State sidewalk grant (DEC). Brief discussion.

Mr. Masters also gave an informal update on the zoning work that’s being done by the planning board and reported he had spoken with the planning board chairperson, Steve Bielecki, but said there is more work to be done.

Next, Mr. Masters advised everyone that there had been discussions with employees in the town hall regarding replacing the phone system. We are still working on it, but he suggested to everyone that he is leaning toward a Verizon state contract. We would need to replace phone hardware as well as a modem for the town hall and one for the highway department. More info to follow next month.

(Continuing) The Supervisor informed the Board that the Town will need to address website accessibility compliance under ADA requirements.

Additionally, Mr. Masters advised the board that the security lock combinations will be updated in May. More info to follow.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Del W. provided an update on the community tree planting project. Site preparation has been completed. Tree planting is scheduled for Sunday, April 26th from approximately 9am to 3pm.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Motion to adjourn the meeting at **8:05pm**.

Motion was made by Councilor Speziale and seconded by Councilor Snavlin.

Motion carried. (Ayes 4 Nays 0)

CERTIFICATIONS (OPEN MEETINGS LAW §106 COMPLIANCE)

These minutes capture motions, proposals, resolutions, and their votes, and summarize other matters discussed at the open meeting. Any documents adopted herein are on file with the Town Clerk.

Submitted by:

Susan Vaccaro
Town Clerk, Town of Tully
Date: April 23, 2025

ATTACHMENTS (ON FILE WITH CLERK)

- 1. Monthly Financial Abstract & Transfers Sheets