

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF REDFIELD, OCTOBER 14, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Redfield Town Board was held on October 14, 2025 at the Redfield Municipal Building at 7:00pm. Roll call was taken and the following board members were present:

- Elaine Yerdon – Deputy Supervisor
- Corey Yerdon - Councilman
- Terry Harlander - Councilman
- Carla Bauer – Councilwoman

absent: Mitchell Yerdon - Supervisor

In addition, Russell Montieth -Highway Superintendent, Nick Smith – Assessor, Michael Yerdon – Code Enforcement Officer, Angie Kimball – Cooperative Tug Hill Council and Susan Hough – Town Clerk

Pledge of the Allegiance was said.

Resolution 25-

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Terry Harlander that the General Fund Bills - Abstract #10 Vouchers 243-253,257,258,268 Totaling \$ 22,255.84 and Street Light District – Abstract #10 Voucher 266 Totaling \$ 619.39

Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 C. Yerdon, T. Harlander, C. Bauer, E. Yerdon
Nays 0

Resolution 25-

Motion was made by Terry Harlander and seconded by Corey Yerdon that the Highway Fund Bills - Abstract # 10 Vouchers 253-265,269 Totaling \$ 99,986.71

Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 C. Yerdon, T. Harlander, C. Bauer, E. Yerdon
Nays 0

Resolution 25-

Motion was made by Corey Yerdon and seconded by Elaine Yerdon that the Supervisors Report and Payroll Sheets be accepted as presented.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 C. Yerdon, T. Harlander, C. Bauer, E. Yerdon
Nays 0

TOWN CLERK – SUSAN HOUGH

Town Clerk had 5 dog licenses, 38 DECALS that is paid DECALS we had quite a bit more than that, Russell handed in 2 scrap metal receipts and checks. The Suit-Kote check has been voided, Ruth will deliver new checks when they come in.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – MICHAEL YERDON

Mike has been busy with education training with webinar classes, he couldn't attend the April 24 hour training. This is the last week an 8-hour class that's 2 hours per day, each session has 12-16 questions during the training. He will have 28 hours by the end of the week, he needs 24 hours. Permits have been slow – issues with contractors – some can't read drawings. The snowmobile barn building is up, walls poured, roof, doors are done, don't have the floor, electric, plumbing or sewer done. Never seen such a poorly organized project, he's been called some names. Deputy Supervisor- Elaine Yerdon – did they make the deadline for the ARPA money? Mike – received \$ 70,000 from Oswego County. 10/14/2025 pg. 1 of 5

At the end of next summer (June) they have to have a functional building or must pay back the money. They submitted drawings based on block walls, the contractor wanted to pour walls – can't use the same drawings – totally different design – needed new drawing and specs done.

LEGISLATOR – MICHAEL YERDON

Mike – Legislators took some time at his request, Chairman – Stephen Walpole (Scriba) came up with a contract for Ice & Snow – took total miles, town miles/county miles. Proposal is the County pay for the full benefits package for hours worked for the County, cutting edges and stuff like that, pay for equipment, salt and sand. Been reviewed and in favor. Mike brought up that the County would have to pay some up front 30%. Russell – Highway Superintendent – that's what we get now is 30%. At the end of the contract the 60% would be paid. They've never paid for benefits. The Legislators have put a lot into this Ice & Snow contract, he thinks it should be good for every town paid the same.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT - RUSSELL MONTIETH

Russell – We have not heard anything from the Legislators. Mike – we have met several times. Russell – 2017 problems with DEF tank leaking – Delong to do the work – you have to have a computer, spiking the pressure than no pressure. We are still down 1 full-time employee and will need 2 seasonal employees.

Resolution 25-

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Terry Harlander to authorize the Town Clerk Susan Hough to advertise **HELP WANTED** The Town of Redfield has a full-time position and two part-time seasonal positions open in the Highway Department. A CDL with No Automatic Restrictions and/or Mechanical ability is preferred, Town of Redfield residents will have preference. Please contact Highway Superintendent Russell Montieth for application and job description, 315-599-7798, at 1 Balcom Road, Redfield, NY, Monday thru Thursday, ad to be in Queen Central and on Facebook.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 C. Yerdon, T. Harlander, C. Bauer, E. Yerdon
 Nays 0

CM C. Yerdon – how far out of line is our PayScale, etc. from the surrounding towns? Russell – Highway Superintendent – Town of Sandy Creek is at \$ 30, Orwell \$ 3-\$ 5 across the board, Williamstown is close to \$ 30 w/ more days off, very high \$ 20's or \$ 30's with more pay and time off. FEMA – slow process Otto Mills culverts – over the hill have gone to review for pay, more paperwork to sign we're getting closer. Matt's trying to get 2 smaller culverts on Old State Road, will need a flow rate test on the culvert (H&H) Hydrologic and Hydraulic study measures how water moves through the pipe ensuring it can handle flood waters without causing downstream issues. We might be charged for the study but everything we spend will be re-imbursed from FEMA. No progress on the big culvert on Otto Mills – hoping can use same study. Williamstown waited 2 ½ years for a permit. Angie Kimball – Cooperative Tug Hill Commission – they finally got it. Russell – Highway Superintendent – trying to do more patching still have Orwell's hot box – couple bad spots on Little John Drive want to get done. The culvert on Clark Road came out good. The 2022 box is off, serviced and cleaned up, want to get the 2017 back before tearing the 2007 down. Elaine Yerdon – Deputy Supervisor – the sand bill tonight is that the last of it? Russell – Highway Superintendent – sand is all up, salt went down \$ 2.00 per ton, we have 350 ton in the salt shed – we won't be buying any soon.

ASSESSOR - NICK SMITH

Nick – Ambrose Yerdon never got proper deed to split the property for the cell tower, he’s going to split it. Aged exemption – they didn’t respond to a letter the State sent them. Deputy Supervisor Elaine Yerdon – did you get your printer. Nick -Assessor – I got a hand me down. Town Clerk Susan Hough – I received the new printer – Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon gave it to me because felt I do more printing. It’s very nice has the tanks to put the ink in – the bottles don’t dry up like the cartridges, sorry Nick!

COOPERATIVE TUG HILL COUNCIL – ANGIE KIMBALL

Angie - REMINDER: Governor Kathy Hochul announced the second round of the New York Statewide Investment in More Swimming (NY SWIMS) Initiative, offering \$53 million in capital grants to municipalities and nonprofits to expand safe swimming access across the state. The program, managed by the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation and administered by the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York, provides matching grants for constructing, renovating, or improving swimming pools and natural swimming areas, with at least \$25 million reserved for underserved communities. Grants range from \$250,000 to \$10 million, requiring a 20% funding match, and can cover related infrastructure like bathhouses, public restrooms, and accessibility features. Applications will be accepted from September 24 to October 30, 2025. Projects will be prioritized that demonstrate clear public benefit, serve underserved communities and show strong preparation for implementation. Application materials are available on the [DASNY website](#). REMINDER: New York State Archives has several records management webinars scheduled for the coming months. The sessions include [“Local Government Records as a Resource for k-12 Educators”](#) on October 9th and [“Ask Us Anything About Digital Imaging”](#) on November 13th. All the webinars run from 10 to 11 a.m. and registration for each close at 4 p.m. on the day prior to the listed webinar. Follow the above links to register for the sessions or visit the Archives workshop registration page at www.archives.nysed.gov/workshops/register for more information on the sessions and for registration links. This fall the Remsen-Steuben Historical Society will be lending its expertise for an exploration and appreciation of its local history. The “Welsh Ramble” will feature a driving tour of the community’s hidden historical gems, explore its strong Welsh ties and directly connect its local heritage to Baron VonSteuben, a former Prussian military captain and key figure in the American Revolution. The tour, held on Saturday October 4th, will begin at the Steuben Memorial State Historic Site at 10 a.m. and conclude at the Stone Meeting House in Remsen at around 1 p.m. after several stops along the way. The event is free, but pre-registration is required at www.tinyurl.com/welshramble. Contact Taylor McKinney at the Tug Hill office at taylor@tughill.org with any questions. The Tug Hill Commission and the Northeast Regional Climate Center will be presenting a two-part workshop series focused on weather and climate-related challenges of winter activities in the Tug Hill region. Explore recent winters in the region and the tools that are available to help monitor weather and climate conditions. The first portion of the series is a virtual session on October 22nd from 1 to 2:30 pm via Zoom and the second session is in-person on November 6th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Howard G. Sackett Technical Center in Glenfield (lunch will be provided). There is no cost for the workshop series. Register for the series by October 20th at www.tinyurl.com/winterwxtools. Contact Jillian Lee at the Commission office at 315-785-2406 or jillian@tughill.org with any questions. Join the NYS Town Clerks Association and the NYS Association of Towns on Thursday, October 2 at 10:30 am, as they present a no cost webinar designed to help understand the local law process. Designed to benefit everyone, this session is designed to gain a better understanding of local law procedures and to help clarify legal responsibilities and authorities. Click [here](#) for more information or to register. The largest conference in NYS dedicated to bridge issues for local governments will be held October 22 and 23, with the training day on October 21, at the Holiday Inn, Saratoga, in

Saratoga Springs, NY. Registration rates increase from \$140 to \$170 after October 3. Anticipated training sessions are worth 4 PDHs and include Engineering the Federal Process and Bridges over Water: Navigating Wetlands and Scour Planning. The full conference is worth 7.5 PDHs and covers topics such as Emergency Response, Reconstruction & Rehabilitation, and Hydraulics. Full details are available on the NYSLTAP-CAP conference [webpage](#). To register, click [here](#). Funding is now available through the [Downtown Revitalization Initiative \(DRI\)](#) and [grant](#) programs. The DRI aims to accelerate and expand the revitalization of downtowns and neighborhoods to serve as centers of activity and catalysts for investment. NY Forward works in concert with the DRI to accelerate and expand the revitalization of smaller and rural downtowns. For details about the program and How to Apply, please visit [Downtown Revitalization Initiative and NY Forward webpages](#), where you can find application and submission guidelines as well as the guidebook and capacity building webinars to help with your application. The deadline to file your Intent to Apply is October 17th ([Intent to Apply Form](#)) and the deadline to apply is November 7th, through the Consolidated Funding Application portal. Capital funding is now available to nonprofit arts and cultural organizations through the New York State Council on the Arts Capital Projects Fund. NYSCA's Capital Projects Fund will support arts and cultural nonprofits seeking funding for investments in capital improvements that allow organizations to sustain and expand cultural programming for diverse audiences, promote accessibility and environmental sustainability, preserve and create jobs, and ultimately contribute to the growth of New York's dynamic arts and tourism sectors. There are three different grants available: a Small and Mid-Sized Capital Improvement grant, a Large Capital Improvement grant and a Capital Design grant. [The application portal, webinar registrations, and guidelines for these opportunities are now open, and can be accessed on NYSCA's website.](#) **The deadline to submit completed applications is January 13, 2026.** Lewis County's Planning Department has scheduled their annual planning and zoning training in coordination with the Dept. of State's Local Government Services folks. The training is scheduled for Thursday October 9th from 4 to 8 p.m. They will be covering Site Plan Review, Land Use Moratoria and Short-term Rentals this year. RSVPs are encouraged by Oct. 2nd at 315-376-5422 or suekulzer@lewiscounty.ny.gov. The training will be held at the Lowville Academy and Central School's (7668 N. State St., Lowville) LGI room and food and beverage will be provided. The 31st Annual New York State Highway and Public Works Expo is slated for October 29th, in the Exposition Center, at the New York State Fairgrounds in Syracuse. This expo brings together highway superintendents, public works directors, D.O.T. officials, municipal board members and contractors to meet, and network with, many key products and service suppliers. Prepare for hands-on and product demonstrations. There is no cost to register or attend, and a complementary lunch will be provided. Additionally, all attendees receive free raffle entry. Registering online prior to the show will provide faster entrance. For more information, visit the expo [webpage](#), or click [here](#) to register.

11) Do You Hold a Contract with MWBE (Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise) or SDVOB (Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Business) Requirements? The New York Department of State Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure (OPDCI) is hosting a set of informational webinars that will focus on the MWBE program, the SDVOB program, Good Faith Effort documentation and How to Use the NYS Contract System. There are three chances to join the webinar: October 2nd from 3 to 4 p.m., January 8th from 3 to 4 p.m. and April 7th from 1 to 2 p.m. Register [HERE](#) for the one of these webinars (all the sessions have the same content). SAVE THE DATES: - There is no Tug Hill Commission meeting for October. - Just a reminder that the Commission's annual meeting has been scheduled for Thursday October 9th at the Delta Lake Inn (8524 Fish Hatchery Rd., Rome). The speakers for the evening will be from NYS Ag & Markets, Chobani, Northeast Dairy Producers Association and Cornell Pro-Dairy to talk about agricultural economic development and dairy expansion projects in upstate NY.

NOCA – TERRY HARLANDER

Terry – nothing new.

CM C. Yerdon asked about the Hero Banner poles. Town Clerk Susan Hough is sending the email to National Grid tomorrow – Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon completed the paperwork before he left.

Deputy Supervisor Elaine Yerdon – let the record show that the Tentative Budget for 2026 was hand delivered by Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon.

Budget Workshop on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 at 6:00pm to review the Tentative Budget.

A motion was made by Corey Yerdon and seconded by Carla Bauer to adjourn at 7:36 p.m.

ADOPTED Ayes 4 C. Yerdon, T. Harlander, C. Bauer, E. Yerdon
Nays 0

The next Town of Redfield Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 7:00pm.

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Town Clerk Susan Hough

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