

AUGUST 18EW HAVEN TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD AUGUST 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Dale Little called the monthly meeting for August 18, 2026 to order at 6:00 p.m. at the New Haven Town Hall. Roll call: Council Member; Mary Curcio, Council Member; Will Rombough, Council Member; Joe Spereno, Council Member; Fred Wilbur, and Supervisor; Dale Little present. Also present: Town Attorney's Associate; Gabriela Groman, Town Clerk; Jennifer Woolson, Highway Superintendent; Robert Parkhurst, and a few members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING: Supervisor Dale Little opened the public hearing on Water District # 9 proposed Installment Sale and Security Agreement allowing the Town of New Haven to purchase the equipment purchased with leftover grant money obtained through USDA Rural Development.

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS:

Linda Williams: Stated that it was great that the Town is trying to recover funds for the truck, excavator, and trailer that were purchased with Water District # 9 grant funds. Asked the Board if the Town was also going to sell the computers and software that was purchased with the grant funds. Thanked the Board for acting on this matter.

Linda Bond-Clark: Stated that she attended a Town Board public hearing in August 2023, when the Town Board proposed a quarter million dollar increase to Water District # 9 serial bond for the added cost incurred. Linda stated that she spoke back then about "an impending train wreck". Linda spoke at great length on her opinion of the use of loan and grant money obtained for Water District # 9.

Close Public Hearing: Motion by Mary Curcio, second by Joe Spereno, to close the Public Hearing on proposed Installment Sale and Security Agreement at 6:15 p.m. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

Open Regular Meeting: Motion by Fred Wilbur, second by Mary Curcio, to open the regular Town Board Meeting at 6:16 p.m. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Disclaimer: The opinions expressed by visitors are their opinions and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Town or the Town Board.

Linda Williams: Asked the Board a couple of questions pertaining to the Planning Board. One question was pertaining to the Planning Board's interpretation of New Haven Local Law # 2 of 2001 Site Plan regulations. Linda stated that over the past few years, the Planning Board has been revising this Local Law. Linda also stated that these revisions have not yet been approved by any entities. Linda commented that although the Planning Board has approved several variances based upon these unapproved revisions. Linda Williams requested that her full comments be attached to the minutes of the meeting.

Linda Bond-Clark: Spoke about Circle T Enterprise operating outside of set hours of operation that were established in the letter of conditions. Stated that she had filled out multiple complaint forms concerning this issue. Linda expressed her concerns about the complaint form handling practice by the Code Enforcement Office.

TOWN BOARD MINUTES: Motion by Joe Spereno, second by Mary Curcio, to accept the minutes from last month as presented. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES: A copy of last month's Planning Board minutes was provided to the Town Board.

ADJUSTMENT OF JOURNAL ENTRIES: Motion by Fred Wilbur, second by Mary Curcio, to approve the adjustment of journal entries in July. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

AUDIT OF TOWN BILLS

General bills: vouchers #177-195, totaling \$ 29,359.72, were duly audited.

Highway bills: vouchers #123-142, totaling \$ 16,152.78, were duly audited.

Water District # 6 bill: voucher #13, totaling \$ 16,387.50, was duly audited.

Water District # 8 bill: voucher #14, totaling \$ 1,338.00, was duly audited.

Motion by Fred Wilbur, second by Mary Curcio, to accept the bills as presented and to authorize their payment. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Installment Sale and Security Agreement: No action was taken on the Installment Sale and Security Agreement on the Water District # 9 equipment.

Resolution # 7 of 2026: No action was taken on Resolution # 7 of 2026 for the Water District # 9 equipment.

Resolution # 8 of 2026: Motion by Mary Curcio, second by Joe Spereno, to approve resolution # 8 of 2026 authorizing the adoption of section 41(j) of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

Old Highway Garage: Motion by Joe Spereno, second by Will Rombough, to award bid proposal to Arctic Enterprises Inc. for the air monitoring of the abatement and control demolition of the property in the proposed amount of \$924.00. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

Old Highway Garage: Motion by Will Rombough, second by Joe Spereno, to award bid proposal to Contento's Demolition for the abatement and controlled demolition of the property in the proposed amount of \$30,000. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

McFee Ambulance Service Presentation: Representative Mike Solozo from Donald McFee Ambulance Service gave a presentation on the operating costs of the ambulance service and the billing practice pertaining to the Town of New Haven residents.

New Haven Fire Department Presentation: Representatives David Wilcox and Curt Ficher from the New Haven Volunteer Fire Department gave a presentation on what the operating costs for the Department are currently and projected costs in the future.

2025 Audit: Copies of the 2025 audit performed by Bowers & Company CPA's PLLC were provided to the Town Board.

Resolution # 9 of 2026: Tabled to the September Town Board meeting to allow Terry Bennett from Oswego County Emergency Management to give a presentation on the County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan to the Board.

Budget Workshops: Budget Workshops will be held on September 8th and September 24th at 6:00 p.m.

Union Contract/Personnel: Motion by Joe Spereno, second by Fred Wilbur, to enter executive session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss Union Contract and personnel matter pertaining to Highway Department employees and to invite Union Steward Tim Searles to attend session. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried. Motion by Will Rombough, second by Joe Spereno, to re-enter regular session at 8:37 p.m. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried. No decisions were made during the executive session.

REPORTS

Reports: Code Enforcement Officer, Town Clerk, and Supervisor reports received by the board and posted.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned: at 8:40 P.M by motion of Joe Spereno, second by Fred Wilbur. Mary Curcio, Aye; Will Rombough, Aye; Joe Spereno, Aye; Fred Wilbur, Aye; Dale Little, Aye; Carried.

Next Budget Workshop meeting, September 8, 2026-6:00 p.m.

Next Town Board meeting, September 15, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

Next Planning Board meeting, September 16, 2026 - 6:00 p.m.

Next Budget Workshop meeting, September 24, 2026-6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer C. Woolson
New Haven Town Clerk

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