

This Regular Meeting of the Brant Town Board was held on Monday November 3, 2025, at the Brant Town Hall, located at 1272 Brant North Collins Rd, Brant, New York at 7:00 PM.

PRESENT WERE:

Mark DeCarlo	Town Supervisor
Tish Brady	Councilwoman
Linda Giancarlo	Councilwoman
Donna Marien	Councilwoman
Michael Muffoletto	Councilman
William Trask, Sr.	Town Attorney
Barbara Daniel	Recording Secretary

ALSO, PRESENT AND LEGIBLY SIGNED IN WERE:

Mark Slawek	Police Chief
Tracy Kaczmarek	Supervisor's Secretary
Brian Rott	Resident
Angela Bedaske	Resident
Kristen Podkulski	Deputy Town Clerk

The meeting opened at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Supervisor DeCarlo made note that this will be a shortened meeting due to it being early in the Month and not all Department Reports are not ready.

SUPERVISOR'S SEPTEMBERS 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT: Councilman Muffoletto motioned to approve the Supervisor's September Financial Report, seconded by Councilwoman Marien. 4 ayes, 1 nay. **MOTION CARRIED.**

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S SEPTEMBER 2025 FINANCIAL REPORT: TABLED.

COURT CLERK'S SEPTEMBER 2025 FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR KACZMAREK & GIER REGULAR AND BAIL ACCOUNTS: Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to approve both Bail and Regular Financial accounts for Justice Kaczmarek's & Justice Gier for September 2025, seconded by Councilwoman Brady. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

POLICE REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2025: The Police Report for October 2025 was read by Supervisor DeCarlo. Brant Police have mentioned reports of various burglaries happening in the area. 9575 Hammond Road has been placed as condomed again with assistance of the Code Enforcement Officer. Brant PD participated in the Towns Trunk or Treat. FBI has provided the Town a magnameter (SP?) and a few gun lockers. He mentioned plans to transition one of the rooms to a juvenile room as Rick is unable to complete the project due to it being too big of a project. Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to approve the report as read, seconded by Councilwoman Giancarlo. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

TOWN CLERK'S OCTOBER 2025 ACTIVITY REPORT TO THE BOARD: The Town Clerk's activity report for October was presented. Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to approve the report as read, seconded by Councilwoman Marien. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS: The report was read by Councilwoman Giancarlo. Report was from August & September. An October report was not provided. Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to approve the report as read. Seconded by Councilman Muffoletto. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

BRANT FARNHAM SENIORS: No Report.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: No Report.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT: No report. Secretary Barb Daniel asked is there will be anything referred to the Planning Board and if not then they will be canceling their next meeting. Supervisor DeCarlo confirmed that there are no referrals.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Public Workshop #2 for the update to the Town of Brant Comprehensive plan is scheduled for Thursday November 13th 2025 at the Senior Community Building 6-8 pm.
- Lake Shore School District is running a food drive from Nov. 3rd to Dec. 1st. The Brant Town Hall is listed as a drop off location for donations. All donations will go directly to Operation Good Neighbor (OGN).
- The Towns Christmas Tree Lighting will be held on Saturday Dec. 6th 2025 from 5-8pm at the Brant Town Hall. Tractor Parade will start at 5:30pm; Visit with Santa & Mrs. Clause from 5-6pm; Christmas cartoons will be playing in the gym and there will be live music preformed by Terry Buchwald. Holiday Refreshments will be available along with fire pits outside. We will also have a collection bin for FeedMore WNY available for donations.
- The Town would like to acknowledge Sammy & Liz Sicurella and Jay Vacco from WNY Scrap for donating cash prizes for the Tractor Parade.

Reports of the Committee and Town Boards:

- Supervisor DeCarlo mentioned the Trunk or Treat event and that it ran very well. The Town Board thanked Kristen & Tracy for the last-minute decorations in the Town Hall to move it into the Town Hall because of the weather. The turnout was great.

Meetings & Correspondence:

- The second October sales tax remittance is in. The current transfer is 6.38% greater than the 2024 amount. Year-to-date transfers are running at 4.9% ahead of last year at this time.
- The Bridge on Cain Road is now open and the project has been completed.

Privilege of the Floor:

Chief Slawek asked if the Town has any ordinance of the running of Diesel motors? The Police Department has received complaints from residents on Mileblock Road & Cain Road in regards to the marihuana farm in the area. Now that the weather is getting cold, they can run the engines and the motors on the refrigeration units are running all night long and it's driving the residence crazy. The Police Department went to talk to the people at the farm and they will not turn them off as they are freezing the marijuana to ship it. The owners of the Farm they will continue to pay for the tickets. It is not part of the processing. Councilman Muffoletto asked about a noise ordinance but it doesn't apply to ag areas. Chief Slawek asked if the Town can look into it or pass a law to address this situation. Supervisor DeCarlo mentioned that he will look into the issue.

ABSTRACT 11 of 2025

*Prepaid and unpaid as of 11/3/25 Total Claims \$ **22,962.94**

Gen Fund Town wide Vouchers Totaling: **\$ 18,813.22**
Gen Fund – Part Town Voucher Totaling: **\$ 31.44**
Highway T.W. Vouchers Totaling: **\$ 4,118.28**
Highway P.T. Vouchers, Totaling: **\$ -**
Street Lighting: Voucher Totaling: **\$ -**
Brant Water Dist 1 (SS2&SW): – Totaling **\$ -**

PAYROLL (2 pay periods):

General Town Wide Payroll 9/21/25-10/18/25 – Totaling **\$ 65,146.15**
General Part Town Payroll 9/21/25-10/18/25 Totaling: **\$ 1,681.91**
Highway Payroll TW 9/21/25-10/18/25 Totaling: **\$ 9,042.60**
Highway Payroll PT 9/21/25-10/18/25 Totaling: **\$ -**

Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to approve Abstract 11 of 2025, seconded by Councilwoman Brady. A roll-call vote was taken:

Supervisor DeCarlo-aye,
Councilwoman Brady-aye,
Councilwoman Giancarlo- aye
Councilman Muffoletto-aye
Councilwoman Marien- aye.
5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on December 9, 2025 at 7:00 PM.

Councilwomen Marien brought up her concern about the gate at the pond is a wooden gate almost like a pallet. It was explained that that was for access to the pond and its not a pallet it a wooden gate and that it was always set up that way.

PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED LOCAL LAW # 2-2025 (PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #2-2025)

The Town Clerk read the Legal Notice:

**LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF BRANT, NEW YORK
NOTICES OF PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Pursuant to resolution of the Town Board of the Town of Brant, New York, notice is hereby given that the following public hearings will be held by the Brant Town Board in the Brant Town Hall, 1272 Brant-North Collins Road, Brant, New York on the 3rd day of November 2025:

At 7:30 P.M. Local Time, for the purpose of considering Proposed Local Law No.2-2025 which, if approved, would impose a six (6) month moratorium on applications and permits for Battery Energy Storage Systems in the Town of Brant. A copy of the proposed local law is available for review in the office of the Town Clerk. All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Dated: October 14, 2025

By order of the Brant Town Board

Barbara Daniel

Brant Town Clerk

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: Regarding Proposed Local Law # 2-2025

Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to open the public hearing on the Proposed Local Law Imposing a Six (6) Month Moratorium Prohibiting the Review and Approval of Applications and Issuance of Permits for “Battery Energy Storage Systems” in the Town of Brant, seconded by Councilwoman Marien. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DISCUSSION: Supervisor DeCarlo asked if anyone from the public had questions, concerns or comments on the proposed local law. No comments from the public. Supervisor DeCarlo made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilwoman Brady. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED**

Supervisor DeCarlo then clarified that no action can be taken as of yet because it was referred to Erie County. Until they hear from Erie County after the 30 days. He will reach out to them and hold a special meeting to take action on it.

PUBLIC HEARING 7:45 PM: 2026 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing:

The Town Clerk read the notice:

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2. *At 7:45 P.M. Local Time a public hearing will be held on the preliminary budget for fiscal year 2026, pursuant to Town Law Section 108. Copies of the preliminary budget are available for review during office hours in the Office of the Town Clerk.*

The following are the proposed 2026 salaries for certain elected officials, as required by law:

Town Supervisor: \$24,966

Town Councilmembers: \$ 5975 (x4)

Town Clerk: \$44,000

Town Highway Superintendent: \$35,000

All interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

Dated: October 14, 2025

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Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to open the public hearing on the 2026 Preliminary Budget, seconded by Councilwoman Brady. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE 2026 PRELIMINARY BUDGET: Supervisor DeCarlo asked if anyone from the public had questions, concerns or comments on the 2026 preliminary budget. No comments from the public. Supervisor DeCarlo made a motion to approve the budget, seconded by Councilman Muffoletto.

Roll Call was taken:

Supervisor DeCarlo- AYE

Councilman Muffoletto- AYE

Councilwoman Giancarlo- AYE

Councilwoman Marien- AYE

Councilwoman Brady

5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED**

The next regular Town Board meeting will be held December 9, 2025 at 7:00 PM. Supervisor DeCarlo motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm in memory of Geraldine Gugino. Seconded by Councilwoman Marien. 5 ayes, 0 nays. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Kristen Podkulski

Brant Deputy Town Clerk