



**TOWN OF HILLSDALE
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
April 23, 2025
Minutes**

NOTE: After a public hearing on April 25, 2024, and at a Special Town Board Meeting the Town Board approved a resolution to allow "Extraordinary Circumstances Videoconferencing", "ECV". This allows a Town Board member who has a qualifying disability to attend, be part of a quorum and vote at all Town Board Meetings.

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Hillsdale, Columbia County in the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 2609 State Route 23, Hillsdale, NY 12529 on April 23, 2025, at 12:00 pm.

Board members present:

PRESENT:	Supervisor	Mike Dvorchak
	Councilmember	Joanna Virello
	Councilmember	Irwin Feld
	Councilmember	Jamie Carano Nordenstrom
PRESENT VIA ZOOM:	Councilmember	Tom Carty
ALSO PRESENT:	Robina Ward	Town Clerk
	Emily Stalker	Deputy Town Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the public.

TRADITIONAL VIDEOCONFERENCING NOTICE:

Notice of said meeting was posted on the Town Website. The public is invited to participate at the town hall or the videoconference meeting location at 2609 State Route 23, Hillsdale, NY 12529.

Supervisor Dvorchak called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Purchase of Speed Signs – EVOLIS Radar Speed Sign

Received 4 quotes for the radar signs:

Elan City - \$3,100 (not including discount) x 4

LED Lighting - \$3998 x 4

Traffic Safety Warehouse - \$4322 x 4

Traffic Logix - \$3,345 x 4

Resolution 70- 2025

General discussion.

On a motion of Councilmember Virello, seconded by Councilmember Feld.

The motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Dvorchak, Virello, Carty, Feld, Carano Nordenstrom

The Town Board approves the purchase of 4 speed signs from Elan City.

Budget Amendment 4A 2025

Town Clerk Ward stated that three of the town computers needed to be replaced, the Town Clerk computer which will be replaced with the Assessor computer, the Building Inspectors computer and the Highway Superintendents computer.

On a motion of Councilmember Feld, seconded by Councilmember Carano Nordenstrom.

The motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Dvorchak, Virello, Carty, Feld, Carano Nordenstrom

The Town Board approves the budget amendment 4A-2025 for the purchase of 4 speed signs from Elan City and the town computers.

Memorial Day Parade

Resolution to declare Parade an official Town Event.

Supervisor Dvorchak stated that the town is doing all the work, and it makes more sense for the town to get the insurance and the proper DOT approval.

Resolution 71- 2025

To declare the Memorial Day Parade as an official town event.

On a motion of Councilmember Feld , seconded by Councilmember Virello.

The motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Dvorchak, Virello, Feld, Carano Nordenstrom
 Absent 1 Carty

The Town Board approves the Memorial Day Parade as an official town event.

Zoom coverage was interrupted and Councilmember Carty was not visible therefore could not vote.

DOT Permit 33c

The permit outline's the details of the parade.

Resolution 72- 2025

On a motion of Councilmember Feld , seconded by Councilmember Virello.

The motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Dvorchak, Virello, Feld, Carano Nordenstrom
 Absent 1 Carty

The Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the DOT Permit 33c for the Memorial Day parade.

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DOT Permit 1 (2/12)

It is an overriding resolution that the town will follow for any DOT guidance to submit the proper permit.

Resolution 73- 2025

On a motion of Councilmember Feld , seconded by Councilmember Virello.

The motion was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Dvorchak, Virello, Feld, Carano Nordenstrom
 Absent 1 Carty

The Town Board approves the DOT Permit 1.

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Sewer Plant

Fabric Installation – add installation of new nozzles.

Supervisor Dvorchak reported that new nozzles were being ordered as requested by the DEC.

Any other business that may come before the town.

Town Clerk Ward reported that we need to have town cell phones as we are using our own private cell phones for authentication on official sites. The average cost for three basic iPhone 15's with a basic plan the cost would be \$138.69 per month. The three phones would be for the Supervisor, the Town Clerk and the Highway Superintendent. These phones will be necessary if there is some type of Emergency.

Supervisor Dvorchak asked for a motion, and it was decided that it was not necessary as the expenditure is covered in the current budget for 2025 under contractual.

Town Board Resignation

Tom Carty Resignation, term ending 12/31/2025.

Soliciting submissions for interim appointment.

Supervisor Dvorchak stated that this is most likely Tom's last board meeting, He found it hard to find the right words for what Tom and Howard have meant to this community. There will be more of a mark of this occasion shortly. He thanked Tom and Howard, joined by the Town Board and applause.

Councilmember Carty stated that it was a pleasure to be on the Town Board and the many committees that he worked with over the years and that he will miss it.

The town will be advertising for an interim appointment from May through December 2025.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Town Board, on the motion of Councilmember Feld, seconded by Councilmember Virello,

ADOPTED	Ayes 4	Dvorchak, Virello, Feld, Carano Nordenstrom
	Absent 1	Carty

adjourned at 12:45 pm.

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Robina Ward, Town Clerk

