TOWN OF GARDINER

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TOWN BOARD
TUESDAY, July 14, 2026
ZOOM MEETING link
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NOTE: Any supplementary documentation available for the items on this agenda can be found in the online Agenda Packet related to this meeting (https://townofgardinerny.gov/agendas-minutes/?category=Town+Board).

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Announcements**

- Closeout of Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)

In 2021 the federal government passed the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the economic disruption it caused, which authorized federal funding for the purpose of protecting public health, preserving government operations, supporting workers and businesses, and promoting long-term recovery and resilience.
As a result, Gardiner received a total of $574,152.11 between the summer of 2021 and the summer of 2022. Last week, I received a letter from the US Department of the Treasury indicating they have closed the books on that account. According to our records, the largest expenditures coming out of that fund, stated in order of the amount rounded to the nearest thousand, were:

  - $260K for Recreation Fields and Equipment including a basketball court and skateboard track
  - $186K for the Sewer District in the Central Hamlet
  - $59K for Office Furniture and Equipment
  - $40K for a vehicle for the Asst Chief of the Fire Department and
  - $30K for employee salary bonuses

- Free PFAS Testing for Private Homes Reopened

The New York State Department of Health has reopened applications for the Private Well PFAS Testing and Mitigation Rebate Pilot Program after a

temporary pause, and is now accepting applications from Ulster County residents who rely on private wells for their drinking water. PFAS stands for polyfluoroalkyl substances, which are a group of chemicals used in many household and commercial products deemed harmful to humans in concentrations above a certain level. They can persist in the environment and have been detected in drinking water across the country.
This program provides free PFAS testing as well as mitigation rebates if PFAS levels do not meet New York State drinking water standards.
Applications can be submitted online or by letter. Please see the document titled RELEASE – PFAS TESTING, which is available in the Agenda Packet related to this meeting on the Gardiner website.

- Gardiner Emergency Management Plans

A couple of months ago the Town Board restarted what was a dormant initiative to develop a comprehensive set of Emergency Management Plans for the Town of Gardiner. The purpose of this initiative is to establish lines of responsibility and protocols in the event of emergencies such as extreme heat and cold weather, forest fires, flooding, drought, power outages, etc. -- events that have been increasing dramatically throughout the country and the world. We will keep you posted on the progress.

- We want to remind everyone about Gardiner's Concert Series Under the Pavillion in the Park
    - July 15, Straight Ahead Jazz Trio
    - July 29, Krisha and Krew

3. **Ambulance District Commissioners Meeting with Town Board, Ambulance District Commissioner Charles Rock**

4. **Resolution in Support of the request by Congressman Pat Ryan, Governor Hochul, and County Executive Jen Metzger for Federal Aid to New York Farmers**

5. **Renewal of Shared Services Agreement with the Ulster County Department of Public Works, Highway Superintendent Brian Stiscia**

6. **Amendment of 284 Agreement regarding proposed roadwork for 2026 to include Crispell Lane, Brian Stiscia, Highway Superintendent**

7. **Salary Adjustment for Senior Account Clerk**

8. **Establish and Administrative Assistant Position**

9. Accept Resignation of Website Coordinator, Toni Benevento

10. Accept Resignation of Deputy Supervisor Franco Carucci

11. Appointment of Town Councilmember James Ulvestad as Deputy Supervisor

12. Discussion of a Proposed Local Law Establishing Procedures for Remote Participation and Voting by Town Board Members in Extraordinary Circumstances, Consistent with New York State Municipal Home Rule Law and Open Meetings Law Requirements

13. Discussion and Potential Assignment of Town Board Liaisons and Potential Liaison Policy

14. Approval for Supervisor to Authorize Appointment of Climate Smart Coordinator

15. Continuation of Discussion of E-waste Proposal, Councilmember Roberta Clements

16. Approval of July Warrant

17. Authorization to Release Escrow for the Completed PB25-05, Lextin Properties

18. Authorization to Release Escrow for the Completed PB25-06, Richards

19. Approval of June Meeting Minutes

20. Privilege of the Floor (Public Commentary)

21. Executive Session

22. Adjournment