

TOWN OF BROADALBIN

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REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
March 10, 2026

TOWN OFFICIALS

Town Supervisor – Joseph DiGiacomo-present
Town Board Member – Cindy Ryan -present
Town Board Member – David Bardascini-present
Town Board Member – David Bogardus-present
Town Board Member – Mike Rorick-present

Call to Order –The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance was said in unison.
Roll Call

-Supervisor DiGiacomo called for a moment of silence for the 7 fallen soldiers; and the death of previous Town Assessor Miriam Young.

-Acceptance of Minutes from Regular Meeting Minutes February 10, 2026

On a motion made by Councilman Bogardus and seconded by Councilwoman Ryan
RESOLUTION #2026- 57 APPROVAL OF SUBMITTED

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Broadalbin Town Board approved the above mentioned minutes.

Discussion; Supervisor DiGiacomo requested minor corrections pertaining to Town Clerk Krystin Bailey's wording. The Meeting Minutes were approved with the understanding that Town Clerk Krystin Bailey will make the appropriate changes.

VOTE: Bardascini-AYE Bogardus-AYE Ryan- AYE Rorick-AYE DiGiacomo- AYE

Public Comment:

- Robert Banach of 183 Bogden Road , on April 9th 2024 resident brought what is called the C459C adoption of reducing taxes for people who are disabled. The resident stated that he is legally blind. The resident claims to have submitted the information to Supervisor DiGiacomo then states that Supervisor DiGiacomo stated he would contact the resident after he spoke to The County pertaining to the matter. Discussion continued between Resident Robert Banach and Supervisor DiGiacomo about the follow through of their conversation that took place in 2024. Town Resident Robert Banach is requesting that Supervisor DiGiacomo bring his request to The Town Board as the resident has been in contact with The County who advised him this matter is at the Towns level of action opposed to the County's level. Further discussion took place as to

whether The Town Board had discussed this matter. Town Clerk Krystin Bailey questioned the resident as to what his full name was.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo calls for further Public Comment

-Lauren Blanchard Spoke at this time, questioning if further discussion has taken place pertaining to property value guarantee which she had mentioned during the Public hearing. Lauren stated that she had emailed her idea to The Town Attorney Christopher Stanyon. Supervisor DiGiacomo states that there has not been further conversation. Lauren Blanchard requested to put her request on a future meeting agenda so discussion can take place. Supervisor DiGiacomo questions The Board as to if they would like to add property values to a future agenda.

-Councilman Bardascini questioned how Broadalbin would guarantee property values.

-Lauren Blanchard states that when a Solar Company comes in to work on a project, a radius would be set around the surrounding solar site and would have their property values protected if they were to sell their properties. Lauren has recently done research pertaining to properties that are located near solar sites stating the property value decreases around 7%.

-Councilman Bogardus questions where Resident Lauren Blanchard got her idea from. Lauren states when she was researching property values located near solar, many Towns were affected and have implemented this. Lauren states that she believes that if other residents would like to put solar on their own property that is fine but their neighbors should not have to "take a hit" because their neighbor decided to make money off of their acreage.

-Councilman Rorick questioned if Lauren was attempting to establish a baseline on the surrounding properties. Councilman Rorick states that he is open to discussion but he is not sure if it is The Town Boards responsibility to appraise property value.

-Discussion continues between Board Members and Laruen on housing market value fluctuation, zoning and her research.

-Councilman Bogardus requests the Board Members receive a copy of Laurens research.

-Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states she will provide her contact information.

-Mike speaks and states that an appraisal is just a guess; it is not what you will get for it when you sell it. Supervisor DiGiacomo states that he sees a lot of variables that need to be taken into consideration.

-Councilman Rorick states that the potential law could be tailored to address the surrounding home's specific property value with market value and other factors being taken into consideration as this has been incorporated in other municipalities.

Department Reports

Town Supervisor:

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that he does not have much to report. The County has been fairly busy and as for Town it has been pretty quiet.

Youth Commission:-

-Representative Keith Buchanan was not present. Supervisor DiGiacomo states Meeting was canceled this past month and had been rescheduled.

Dog Control Officer:

-Supervisor DiGiacomo questions if The Board Members received a copy of her report.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that the DCO is requesting to move forward with enforcing the preexisting fees that are currently in The Town Law pertaining to late fees.

- Supervisor DiGiacomo questions The Board on their thoughts of how it will go over with the public.

-Councilman Bardascini states that an example is “when people don't pay their credit card bill they receive a late fee and people need to accept responsibility.”

The Board agrees to adopt the proposal to enforce late fees.

On a motion made by Councilman Rorick and Seconded by Councilman Bardascini to adopt late fees for unlicensed dogs

Discussion; 30 days \$ 10.00, 60 days \$ 20.00, 90 days \$ 40.00

The Board discusses that if a onetime fee takes place there is no incentive and residents will wait the whole year to pay a onetime fee. If The Town adopts multiple fees there will be incentive to license dogs when their licensing is due. Councilwoman Ryan questions why DCO's report was sent to another Municipality. Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states that DCO Pat Ashbey was unable to send her report via email therefore Pat sent her report to a different location so her report could be printed then Pat came to Town Hall and hand delivered her report.

Councilman Bardascini states there is a section for noncompliance. Supervisor DiGiacomo states it makes sense of what Pat is trying to implement.

VOTE: Bardascini-AYE Bogardus-AYE Ryan- AYE Rorick-AYE DiGiacomo- AYE

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that the Town Board needs to discuss a court case where the resident was ticketed with 40 tickets.

-Councilman Bardascini questions why the case was reassigned to The County as there was no misdemeanor or crime involved.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that the Town's Attorney backed out of the case due to another person who works inside Attorney Stanyon's office representing another person who may be affiliated leaving a conflict of interest.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that the DCO has done a home inspection for the resident who was ticketed and that the cage DCO Pat Ashbey recommended be put in was complete and chain has been installed. Supervisor DiGiacomo states that DCO Pat Ashbey will continue to complete these inspections and work with Broadalbin's Justice Department.

-Councilman Bardascini questions whether The Town is being charged as this is a case they wouldn't typically handle.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo speaks on the location of where Dogs are temporarily being held. The Board had a brief discussion on ideas for a permanent holding location then decided to discuss this at a later date as there are multiple factors that need to be considered.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo speaks on how DCO Pat Ashbey is requesting to revamp Broadalbin's Local Dog Laws with Attorney Stanyon.

-Councilman Bogardus questions Town Clerk Krystin Bailey if she has any signage posted in Town Hall stating that Dog licenses are required for The Town of Broadalbin.

-Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states that she does not currently have any signage however she will make one and hang it in the Clerk's window.

Assessor:

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that the timing of the Assessors report came right on time as listed on The Agenda for tonight at 7pm further interviews for Town Assessor will take place.

On a motion made by Councilman Rorick and seconded by Councilman Bardascini to enter Executive Session at 6:58 pm to discuss personnel.

Discussion; none

VOTE: Bardascini-AYE Bogardus-AYE Ryan- AYE Rorick-AYE DiGiacomo- AYE

On a motion made by Councilwoman Ryan and seconded by Councilman Bardascini to exit Executive Session at 8:00 pm

Discussion; Supervisor DiGiacomo stated after interviewing several candidates for Interim Assessor The Board has made the decision to appoint Connie Henry for 6 months effective March 16th 2026.

VOTE: Bardascini-AYE Bogardus-AYE Ryan- AYE Rorick-AYE DiGiacomo- AYE

-Councilman Rorick states that he does not have a Report from The Town's Assessor Maggie Boltash.

Building and Grounds:

- Supervisor DiGiacomo states that he would like to look into replacing the pillars that look to be rotten.

-Councilman Rorick questions what steps Supervisor DiGiacomo would like to take.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states he would like to get quotes to replace the pre existing pillars.

-Councilman Rorick states he would like to pass this off to Code Enforcer Stephen Quinlan as he is an experienced carpenter.

Code Enforcer:

-Code Enforcer Stephen Quinlan states that Code's office has been rather quiet leaving him opportunity to catch up on past permits.

-At this time the Town Board discusses holding a special meeting for Junk Yard Laws.

Councilman Bardascini states that he feels holding a special meeting should be put off until Attorney Stanyon brings the information from other municipalities he was supposed to be gathering to The Board so Broadalbin can compare.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states he doesn't feel a whole lot needs to be changed, that The Law just needs to be tweaked.

-Councilman Bardascini states that what The Board really needs to take into consideration is what other Municipalities are doing about properties filled with junk and owners refusing to clean up.

-Further discussion took place as to what is already implemented within The Town of Broadalbin's Laws and what needs to be compared to other Municipalities.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo questions Planning Board Chairman Mike Crispin as to if Nan was planning to attend the March Planning Board Meeting.

-Chairman Mike Crispin states that he is unaware and will reach out.

- Planning Board Chairman Mike Crispin speaks on the upcoming workload of the Planning Board. Chairman Mike Crispin speaks about how the month of February's Planning Board meeting came to a halt due to the Site Plan Moratorium.

-Chairman Mike Crispin requests that The Town Board informs him of future moratoriums.

-Councilman Bardascini questions why The Town did not have to have a Public Hearing.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that The Town Board should have held a special meeting in regards.

-Councilman Bardascini states that when The Board was in moratorium for Solar they had to have a Public Hearing. Councilman Bardascini states that he can understand why residents are not happy. Councilman Bardascini states that The Board "has to make this right" then questions the other Board Members what they are suggesting.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo and Councilman Bogardus speak on the fact that they both voted against the moratorium.

-Councilman Rorick states that the moratorium was not put in place to harm anyone but to attempt to create some order on pre-existing issues within the Town. Councilman Rorick apologized to Planning Board Chairman Mike Crispin for any inconvenience that he may have faced due to the lack of communication.

-Councilman Rorick speaks about an informal meeting that took place between Supervisor DiGiacomo, Scott Henze, Chairman Mike Crispin and himself saying that he believes that they were able to find a solution.

On a motion made by Councilman Rorick and seconded by Councilman Bardascini to end the Site Plan moratorium.

Discussion; Supervisor DiGiacomo states that he spoke to Scott Henze about moving forward and an exception should be safety. Councilwoman Ryan questioned what constitutes a safety issue. Supervisor DiGiacomo states that Scott Henze directed that the plan does not violate a need fire or building codes. Councilman Bogardus states The Board needs to think about moving forward; they need to think about the community while suggesting to use a SEQRA. Councilman Rorick speaks on building plan modifications questioning if the Code Enforcer would have to evaluate the changes that were made. Code Enforcer Stephen Quinlan speaks on why it is necessary to have accuracy on the original plan that was submitted. Planning Board Chairman

Mike Crispin states that if the plans have been altered then yes, they would have to have a site plan all over again.

Vote: Bardascini AYE Bogardus AYE Ryan Aye Rorick AYE DiGiacomo AYE

-Supervisor DiGiacomo speaks on the up and coming businesses that are coming to the community and questions how The Board thinks that can classify, because the businesses do not need a permit but Site Plan is required for change of use building.

-Discussion took place between Board members and Code Enforcer Stephen Quinlan pertaining to change in use within the locations.

Highway Superintendent:

Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson speaks on the truck proposals she has gathered for purchasing a new Town Vehicle while providing the Town Board Members with documentation. International was an increased price opposed to Western Star. Councilman Rorick questions how fits into the equipment plan schedule. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson states that the Highway Department has two International trucks that are over 20 years old with one of the trucks being in service while the other truck is the Town's spare. Councilman Bardascini questions the years of the other vehicles. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson states the Highway Department has a 2024, 2019 and a 2017. Discussion continued regarding the comparisons between the International trucks and Western Star. Supervisor DiGiacomo states that The Town previously has a 10 year plan and he would like to get back to that, even if The Town stretches' to a 15 year plan. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson speaks on how the Highway Department maintains the vehicles yearly involving sandblasting and painting while the rust still becomes an issue because of all of the road salt. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson suggests purchasing a stainless box for the back of the trucks.

Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson states that she had contacted Saratoga County about a bid for blacktop. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson states that The Town of Broadalbin can rent equipment with crew will provide everyone needed except for flaggers and trucks. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson spoke with the surrounding Towns, they decided they are all going to work together like in previous years to pave the roadways. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson states with renting the Company, Evolution this will save The Town of Broadalbin 30K and she does not need to put a bid out because we can piggyback on Saratoga County bid. Highway Superintendent Sandy Thompson will provide The Town with the exact price after she meets with Saratoga County representative.

On a motion made by Councilman Bardascini and Seconded by Councilman Rorick to sign on with Saratoga County with pave the Town's roads.
Discussion; none

Vote Bardascini AYE Bogardus AYE Ryan Aye Rorick AYE DiGiacomo AYE

Justice Court: –

-Councilwoman Ryan reads the Justice report that states in the month of February Honorable Judge Gilston has received \$1,131.00 in fines that have been collected and our new Justice Jan Bohne has collected \$618.00 in fines with a total of \$1,749. With the fines that were collected \$938.00 of the Fines collected by Judge Gilston were from 2025.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo informs the Board Members that The Justice Department received a response back pertaining to the Grant they applied for stating that the request for new tables was denied while the rest of their request was approved. Supervisor DiGiacomo asks if The Town Board would like to purchase new tables on behalf of the Justice Department.

On a motion made by Councilman Bogardus and Seconded by Supervisor DiGiacomo to purchase new tables for the Justice Department.
Discussion; Board discussed that the condition of the tables are not in bad condition.

Vote: Bardascini NAY Bogardus AYE Ryan NAY Rorick NAY DiGiacomo AYE

-Councilman Rorick request The Town Board signs a statement on his behalf pertaining to his retirement.

Town Clerk: –

-Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states that she has hired Allyson Becker as her Deputy Clerk. Allyson will start to work Wednesday's in the month of May then extend her time more in the summer months.

-Planning Board Chairman Mike Crispin asks if Supervisor DiGiacomo wants him to contact Nan Stoltenberg and want her to update the Master Plan. Supervisor DiGiacomo confirms.

-Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states Town Clerks Office has been very busy with dog licenses taking up most of the time she is open to the public.

-Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states that unfortunately she has had 4 more deaths to process within the month of February.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo questions Town Clerk Krystin Bailey as to if she is working towards obtaining her notary. Town Clerk Krystin Bailey confirms she is however it is a lengthily process with a great deal of information to obtain. Town Clerk Krystin Bailey and Supervisor DiGiacomo discuss the changes New York State has recently made making the process longer than before. Supervisor DiGiacomo states that Town Hall is required to have a notary within the building. Town Clerk Krystin Bailey states that Jennifer Gilston is often at Town Hall during business hours and she is a notary so in the meantime Jennifer said she would assist. Councilwoman Ryan discloses that she is a notary and is will to provide her services if Town Clerk Krystin Bailey is in need. Councilwoman Ryan and Town Clerk Krystin discuss the new process and disclose that because of the changes that when the previous Clerk Cheryl Briggs was still acting as Town Clerk she was not a notary for about 1 and a half years.

-Councilman Rorick complements Town Clerk Krystin Bailey on how she runs the office and handles the public, thanking her for stepping into her role in a fantastic way.

-Councilman Bogardus Thanks Town Clerk Krystin Bailey as well.

-Councilman Bardascini states that Town Clerk has mailed reminders for the late Water Bill payments and suggests The Town sends a notice of water shut off.

-Councilman Bogardus Suggests Town Clerk Krystin Bailey drafts a final notice letter reading that residents with unpaid bills will water services will be terminated.

-Supervisor DiGiacomo states that he would like to speak on behalf of The Highway Department once more pertaining to the fire alarms going off in the new building. General Security is refusing their services to The Town until Town bills are paid in full. The Reason the bills are not paid in full are because a couple months back Spray insulation was sprayed over top of the wires and General Security refused to service while they were still in contract.

-Discussion took place on other potential companies to use as General Security is not upholding their end of the deal. The Board decided that General Security is in breach of contract and will have The Town Attorney write a letter.

OLD BUSINESS:

-Councilman Bardascini previous Town Clerk Sarah Grey has turned her key in to him

-Supervisor DiGiacomo questions if Norman Barabosa has turned in his key.

-Town Clerk Krystin Bailey reminds Supervisor DiGiacomo of when they revamped the Key Holder policy; stating she has only received 2 keys from Samantha Hooker and Marty Young, that she has not received any other keys even as her time a Cheryl's Deputy.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval to pay vouchers (claim)

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| Prepaid | \$ 133,338.37 |
| General | 10,972.04 |
| Gen OV | 194.28 |
| Highway | 26,820.26 |
| Total | \$ 171,324.95 |

On a motion made by Councilman Bardascini and seconded by Councilman Bogardus
RESOLUTION #2026- 58 APPROVAL TO PAY VOUCHERS (CLAIMS)
BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Broadalbin Town Board authorizes the payment of the vouchers in the amount of \$171,324.95.
No further discussion;

VOTE: Bardascini-AYE Bogardus-AYE Ryan- AYE Rorick-AYE DiGiacomo- AYE

ADJOURNMENT 9:06 P.M.

On a motion made by Councilman Rorick and seconded by Councilman Bardascini
The 3/10/2026 Town of Broadalbin Town Board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,
Krystin Bailey
Town Clerk