

Town of Scipio September 2026 Town Board Meeting Minutes

The September 2026 meeting of the Town of Scipio, Cayuga County, State of New York was held at the Scipio Town Office, 3705 State Rte. 34, Scipio Center, NY 13147 on Wednesday, September 9, 2026.

Present: Gary Mutchler, Supervisor Susan Allen, Councilperson
Nancy Hart, Councilperson Dan McGarry, Councilperson
Absent Melinda Pitman, Councilperson
Others: Jeff Eaton, Bill Hall, Rolland Dodge, Ann Robson, Jackie Dickinson,

1. Supervisor Mutchler called the September 2026 Town Board meeting to order at 7:00pm. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approved September 9, 2026, Town Board meeting agenda. Motion made by Allen, second by McGarry. All in favor. 4/0
3. Issues from Town Residents – None
4. **Resolution 2026-47** Approve August 12, 2026, Town Board Meeting minutes. Motion by Hart, second by Allen was:
Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart McGarry
Noes 0
5. Open Public Hearing on the ten (10) year renewal agreement for a Spectrum Northeast Cable Television Franchise with the Town of Scipio. Motion to open Public Hearing by Hart, second by Allen. All in favor. 4/0
Town Attorney Eaton reviewed the updated renewal of the contract. No members of the public spoke during the Public Hearing.
6. Close Public Hearing on the ten (10) year renewal agreement for a Spectrum Northeast Cable Television Franchise with the Town of Scipio. Motion to close Public Hearing by Allen, second by Hart. All in favor. 4/0
7. **Resolution 2026-48** Approve a ten (10) year renewal agreement for a Spectrum Northeast Cable Television Franchise with the Town of Scipio. Motion by Hart, second by Mutchler was:
Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, McGarry
Noes 0
8. Officer Reports
 - a. Assessor
 - Compiling data to apply to the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program.
 - Prior years' Building Permits are being reviewed to update inventory in the town.
 - There are three (3) town residents who qualify for the new 100% exemption of Town tax for “permanently and totally disabled” veterans.
 - Information on the *Minor Repair Program* was included in the meeting packet.

- b. CEO
 - Monthly report is attached to meeting minutes.
- c. Clerk
 - August 2026 disbursements to the Town Supervisor were \$2,864.00.
 - Local Law #3 of 2026 is on file with the Department of State.
 - The Dog Control officer reported two complaints.
 - The town's website had 238 unique visitors in August 2026.
 - The County Health Department has confirmed a case of measles in the county.
- d. Highway Superintendent
 - Ensenore Rd. property line dispute - Town CEO Doyle reached agreement with the landscape architect that the trees were planted on the town's property and need to be moved and replanted with a five (5) foot set back from property line.
 - Removed a beaver dam from the pond adjacent to the Transfer Station which alleviated rising water levels and potential flooding.
 - Worked with Town Supervisor in developing the 2027 Town Budget.
 - A section of NYS Rte. 34 through the town will be paved in September.
- e. Attorney
 - Liberty-Renewables has yet to submit a PILOT request to the county IDA. The Road Use Agreement (RUA) has a few additional revisions.
 - **Resolution 2026-49** Introduce Local Law #4 of 2026, a Local Law to Amend Local Law #2 of 2010, "Dog Control Law of the Town of Scipio"
 Motion made by Hart, second by McGarry was:
 Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, McGarry
 Noes 0

9. Officer Reports

- a. Susan Allen – No report.
- b. Nancy Hart – Announced the fund raiser for Hazard Public Library on September 12, 2026 - Sherwood Treasures Market at Opendore.
- c. Dan McGarry – No report.
- d. Melinda Pitman – No Report.

10. Supervisor's Report

- a. **Resolution 2026-50** Approve Budget Modification

Debit A 1990.4 Contingent	\$1,000.00
Credit A 1620.45 Office Supplies	
Debit A 1990.4 Contingent	\$5,000.00
Credit A 1420.45 Attorney-Project Wind Turbines	

Motion made by Mutchler, second by Allen was:
 Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, McGarry
 Noes 0
- b. Southern Cayuga Instant Aide – Highlighted sections of the 2027 Town Funding Request and the Comparison of Patient Care Income & Billable Call Volume 1/1/2025-9/3/2025 to 1/1/2026-9/3/2026.
- c. Preliminary 2027 Tentative Budget – Distributed early for review, discussion and revisions at the October 2026 meeting.

11. Other Business – None.

12. Review of 2026 Abstract 9

- a. **Resolution 2026-51** Approve General Fund - Vouchers 147-162, Total: \$20,633.50

Motion made by Allen, second by Hart was:

Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Allen, Hart, McGarry
 Noes 0

- b. **Resolution 2026-52** Approve Highway Fund - Vouchers 70-76, Total: \$20,771.50

Motion made by Mutchler, second by McGarry was:

Adopted Ayes 4 Mutchler, Alle, Hart, McGarry
 Noes 0

13. Next Town Board Meeting – Wednesday, October 14, 2026, 7pm

14. Adjournment: Motion made to adjourn at 8:11pm by Mutchler, second by Hart. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. Robson
Town of Scipio Clerk

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Monthly Report – September 2026 Town Board Meeting

PERMITS ISSUED:

26-26 Nathan Thurston, 2796 Center Road, tear-off shingle roof and install new metal roof.

Scipio Planning board review:

No meeting in August. Next meeting scheduled for September 30, 2026.

ZBA review:

No September meeting was held, as no new applications were received. Next meeting scheduled for October 6, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., if needed.

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

Respectfully submitted 09/09/2026.

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