

Town Board Meeting  
February 9, 2026

The Town of Cambridge Town Board Meeting was duly called, Monday, February 9, 2026 at Cambridge Town Hall, at 7:30 PM the following were present:

Supervisor Catherine Fedler

Councilman Larry Carrino

Councilman Robert McIntosh

Councilman Bruce Bailey

Absent: Councilwoman Gretchen Wilmot

Others present: Heather Greenawalt Town Clerk, Jim Buckley Jr. Highway Superintendent, Susan Herrington, Scott Clark, Kate Canini, Michele Hogan, Superintendent of the Schools James Ducharme, Roxanne Davis, Gary Davis, Alan Davis

Town Supervisor Catherine Fedler called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM and led in the Pledge to the Flag.

**Highway Superintendent Jim Bukley Jr. gave his report:**

- Plowed and sanded the roads many times
- Boom arm mower has been out some and they have done some hand trimming
- They had an insurance inspection today. Just a check up that is done every couple of years. No problems.
- They purchased the equipment trailer and it is here.
- They have had some break-downs, but are steadily working to keep things moving.

**Cambridge Central School presentation 2026-27 Budget**

James Ducharme Superintendent of the Cambridge Central School, Kate Canini and Michele Hogan were present from the Cambridge Central School to present the 2026-27 budget. Mr. Ducharme reported that they anticipated going over the tax cap. He reported that he had taken over the Superintendent position as of July 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. He has had 22 years in education and he gave some of his background. He said that his intentions are to build back up the school district and to prepare the individuals (students) for life past high school. He said he would like to build back the academic programs. He mentioned that the school is the hub of the community, there are other pieces that are lacking that are needed. He reported that he thought this next year is the year to preserve everything they have. Last years budget was 3.17 million with a ton of cuts.

They are projecting approximately 10% increase this year for the 2026-27 Budget. There will be a budget meeting on Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Central School to hear budget scenarios. This will give more information on the breakdown of numbers.

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### **DAR request**

Mindy Kittell had emailed from the Ondawa-Cambridge chapter of the daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). They would like permission to add a DAR marker to a headstone of John Green as their project for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He fought in the war under 16<sup>th</sup> Albany Co Militia and is buried in the Turnpike Cemetery.

### **Resolution #11**

Councilman McIntosh motioned,  
Seconded by Councilman Carrino,

Town of Cambridge Town Board grants the Ondawa-Cambridge chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution permission to add a DAR marker to the headstone of John Green located in the Turnpike Cemetery in the Town of Cambridge.

Vote:                   Ayes – 4                   Noes – 0

### **Town Clerk Report**

- The final day to pay without penalty has gone by and the total taxes collected so far are: \$1,950,400.94
- Still working on getting everything set up for the first of the year paperwork
- Cold day today no heat in the Town Hall
- Local Law filed with State and County approved however suggested adding a definition for Large Scale Solar to the Solar Moratorium.

### **Planning Board Report**

- Meeting held on February 4, 2026
- Held Election of Officers and Vice Chair is Dorothy Yurschack and Chair is Scott Clark.
- Welcomed Peter Sherratt to the Planning Board
- The one Minor Subdivision that was on the agenda was postponed till the March meeting due to the owner not being ready. The property is on Conley Road, northeast end, Susan McMillian is the owner. The land is land locked and she would like to get a piece of property from a neighbor in order to gain a right of way. She has to get permission yet from the neighboring property owner. She is hoping to be ready for the March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Short discussion of where the Town Board is at with the Solar Moratorium and the Local Law that is being created. The Secretary said the Solar Moratorium has been put in place and the Town Board is continuing to work towards a Solar Law still. NYSERDA has a new Model Law as of December 2025 she told them.
- Next Planning Board meeting will be March 4, 2026

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**Solar Update**

Councilman McIntosh mentioned that this week the Eagle has an article about Jake Ashby. Councilman McIntosh also said that Carrie Werner office looking on Law Assembly has and keeping apprised on that. The bill that was introduced by the assembly sounded like the same bill as in the Senate. Supervisor Fedler did mention that could go into the NYS Bills and search key words and find the bill.

**County Report**

The Supervisor mentioned that have had some issues at the County with an individual Kyra Haring, who is a Vet. She says that the County needs to have an Animal Shelter and Animal Control at the County level. Supervisor said the County can't afford this with State mandates this would be phenomenally high. Especially with the State requirements, staff and the continuing Animal Activists.

Supervisor Fedler said that the County Budget last year as we know was bad. They are in depth working on looking at a lot of State Mandated programs.

Advocacy Day is on March 4<sup>th</sup> and the Supervisor said that her things that she intends to touch on are Salt reduction, Social Services, Housing, Case load Definitions and Mental Health.

There being no further business before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Greenawalt  
Town Clerk/Town of Cambridge