

State of New York  
County of Lewis  
Town of Watson

March 25, 2025

A special meeting was called to order on March 25, 2025 at 6:00PM by Supervisor Jeff Hoch.

Town Officials present:

Supervisor: Jeffrey Hoch

Councilpersons present: Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Town Clerk: Michelle Ward

HWY Superintendent: Steve Skiff - absent

Citizens present: Bill Hunt, Mary Misek, Debi Pierce

Meeting was started by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Supervisor Jeff Hoch

#### Public Hearing

Motion made by Jeff Lyng and seconded by Shawn Freeman to open the Public Hearing for the Temporary Moratorium on Utility-Scale Energy Storage System Applications within the Town of Watson at 6:03PM.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried

Concerns voiced:

Effects that it will have on the Town of Watson Water source.

Motion made by Steve Stogsdill and seconded by Vicki Roy to close the public hearing at 7:46PM.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Shawn Freeman, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried

#### Parks & Recreation Grant

The Town of Watson is looking into a grant for improvements for the Town Park. Anyone who utilizes the park and would like to make suggestions for specific improvements, Submit suggestions to:

Town of Watson  
6971 Number Four Rd  
Lowville, NY 13367  
C/O Town Park

Or send an e-mail to: [jeffery\\_hoch@townofwatsonny.com](mailto:jeffery_hoch@townofwatsonny.com).

#### Water

Village of Lowville has asked for potential water charges if the Town of Watson/Town of Lowville water connection was to become completed. Suggested charges were discussed.

### Lighting

Replacement lighting was discussed with the upcoming renovations ready to get started. Questions were asked ... When were they last updated/changed? Cost? How many would be completed? Is it necessary? Can old fixtures be used with new bulbs? It was tabled.

### Assessor

The Town Board would like to speak with the County about options/responsibilities that they would provide/complete for the Town. Candy Akin will be contacted about attending a Town Board meeting to discuss question/concerns in regards to the Assessor position.

### DASNY Grant

Jeff Received an email asking for more paperwork for the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York Grant. It will be sent ASAP.

### Adjourn

Motion made by Jeff Lyng and seconded by Steve Stogsdill to adjourn meeting at 7:47 PM.

Ayes: Jeff Hoch, Jeff Lyng, Steve Stogsdill, Vicki Roy

Nays: None

Motion Carried



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Michelle Ward, Town Clerk

Next Regular Meeting: April 9, 2025

\*To see the full resolution go to [townofwatsonny.com](http://townofwatsonny.com), Quick Links, Departments, Town Board, scroll down below Town Meeting Minutes and see Resolutions.

\* Local Law will be posted to website after acceptance from the State.