

**Urbana Town Board Meeting
Regular Board Meeting
8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath NY 14810
February 11, 2025**

The Urbana Town Board held its regular meeting on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 8014 Pleasant Valley Road, Bath, New York.

PRESENT:	K. David Durepo	Supervisor
	Emery Cummings	Councilperson
	Chris McConnell	Councilperson
	Mary Famer	Councilperson
	David Luppino	Deputy Supervisor
	Deanna Tompkins	Town Clerk
	Tammie Nelson	Bookkeeper/Budget Officer

Absent: Emery Cummings Councilperson

Others Present: Deborah Lynch, Jean Jensen, Terry Bretherton, Tammy Catherman, Tom Longstaff, Shelly Fisher, David Oliver, Jeff Crouse, Lyn Crouse, Josh Rosenbloom, Marshall Mulholland, Ellen White, Michelle Sincerbox, Tina Watson, Bill Spies, Darryl Heckle, Renee Carvajal

Open Meeting

Supervisor Durepo opened the meeting at 6:30 pm

Pledge

Approve Minutes

On a motion made by Councilperson Farmer, seconded by Councilperson McConnell and carried, all voting Aye to approve the minutes from January 21, 2025.

Abstract #2 of 2025

On a motion made by Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Councilperson Farmer and carried, all voting Aye to accept Abstract #2 of 2025.

Accept Department Reports

On a motion made by Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Luppino and carried, all voting Aye to accept the Department Reports.

Town of Urbana Revaluation- Cherokee Roe

Cherokee Roe delivered a presentation explaining the meaning of Revaluation.

Assessor revaluation involves evaluating property values according to current market conditions to update outdated and unfair assessment rolls. This process occurs at least once every five years. During revaluation, assessors examine the market values of all properties within a community to decide which assessments should be adjusted, either increased or decreased.

If you have any questions about your assessment, please see Assessor Cherokee Roe.

Old Business

Grants Summary 2-11-2025

Completion of Bridge and Boardwalk [Awarded]

C1001174 \$911,421 \$227,855 Town & \$683,565 State

Bridge & Boardwalk dedication on June 14, 2025. Plaque for Tom Chadwick has been ordered. Final payment to Fields to be determined by Saratoga Associates.

Curtiss Park Accessibility Improvements [Awarded] C1002046

\$1,260,992 \$315,248 Town & \$945,774 State.

Railing to be finished by April 1, 2025. Bridge and Boardwalk usable at present time.

We have checked with DOS and will be able to continue by using our own workforce as long as WMBE goals are met. \$283,707.30 is the WMBE goal for this grant.

Fluffy and I are working with the plan to verify the goals.

Still no payments from DOS. Outstanding; 4 requests since the end of Jan. 2024, \$238,743.86 from NYS due to the Town. Payment #5 submitted for \$79,384.97.

A value of \$3,000 was suggested for benches, has that been confirmed?

Consider other donations such as bike cycle racks or checker/chess tables.

Kayak launch will be installed this year.

Materials will be purchased by the Town for the completion of the park. Such as gravel, trees, asphalt, kayak launch and necessary components to complete Phase II.

The topic of EV stations has been toughly explored and it has been determined that it is not in the interest of the Town to provide this service at this time. The number of EV stations available to the public in Steuben County and the Town of Urbana is sufficient at this time. Also, the cost of operating these stations to the Town is prohibitive. Monthly charges far surpass any anticipated income.

New York Forward [Awarded March 1, 2024]
\$4,500,000 no match for municipal projects.
Go to hammondsporturbananyf.com for information.

The Town will focus on Lakefront projects. Seven projects were outlined. Two denied, Rails to Trails & Welcome Center.

#1 Fluffy' s Park at Champlin Beach #2 Pier
#3 Bathrooms Champlin/Fire Pavilion #4 Depot Park
#5 Curtiss Park / lighting and entrance arch.

ARC Grant Application [Pending]
\$160,000 \$80,000 Town \$ \$80,000 Federal
Contact with the federal funding has been made and our contact person is Eva.
They still require information and it has been sent.

CFA application 2024 for Depot Park: submitted 7-30-2024
Congratulations everyone - Depot Park flood mitigation planning was awarded the requested funding as part of the 2024 CFA. (\$45,357). Received 12-27-2024
ARC Grant Application [Pending] for Depot Park (\$45,357)
This would match the CFA grant, dollar for dollar.

*** Dedication of the Bridge & Boardwalk will be on June 14, 2025 at 9:30 AM at the bridge in Curtiss Park. This is also "Fluffy' s Field Day" at the Fire Pavilion at 10:00 AM.

Provided by:
David C. Oliver Grants Administrator
Trails & Parks for the Town of Urbana grants@townofurbana.com
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NY Forward Grant

The projects for NY Forward have been sent to the State. We are waiting to hear which projects will be funded.

Police Update

Waiting to hear back from the Village about the police contract.

Comments from the Public on Old Business

Mr. Crouse thanked Supervisor Durepo for his help with the power wires that were down next door.

In the Codes Department Report it says Mr. Hubbard has been issued a court order. The Crouse's called the court and they had no record of the summons. Supervisor Durepo will talk to Marvin Rethmel about what is going on.

New Business

Boat Launch Contracts

On a motion made Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Councilperson Farmer and carried, all voting Aye to raise the resident boat launch to \$40.

On a motion made Deputy Supervisor Luppino, seconded by Councilperson McConnell, and carried all voting Aye to sell 110 Non-resident permits at \$225.

On a motion made by Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Luppino and carried, all voting Aye that anybody who uses the docks that runs a business needs insurance.

On a motion made by Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Luppino, and carried, all voting Aye that Airbnb's need to have a commercial boat launch pass in order for their renters to access the boat launch. The associated fees will be based on the frequency of launch usage during the week.

On a motion made by Deputy Supervisor Luppino, seconded by Councilperson Farmer and carried, all voting Aye to research and move forward with waterproof stickers for boats and trailers.

Approve Justice Audit

On a motion made Supervisor Durepo, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Luppino and carried, all voting Aye that the financial records of the Town Justice Court were found to be in good order and there are no issues to identify after the required audit was conducted.

Schedule Public Hearing for Fire District Exemptions

On a motion made by Councilperson Farmer, seconded by Councilperson, McConnell and carried all voting Aye to schedule a public hearing on March 18 to amend the Local Law for Fire District Exemptions.

Lighting for Curtiss Park

On a motion made by Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Councilperson Farmer and carried, all voting Aye to approve the proposed lighting for Curtiss Park as long as it has a backstop, is not 360 degrees light and is rounded.

Approve Beth King to a 5-year term on the Board of Assessment Review

On a motion made by Councilperson Farmer, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Luppino and carried, all voting Aye to approve Beth King to a 5-year term on the Board of Assessment Review.

**Comments from the Public on New Business
None**

With no further business, on a motion made by Councilperson McConnell, seconded by Councilperson Farmer and carried, all voting Aye to close the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully,

Deanna Tompkins,
Town Clerk