The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford was held on February 12, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town of Stamford Municipal Building with the following present:

Supervisor: John Kosier Councilperson: David Post Councilperson: Julie Sechrist Councilperson: Jake Palmatier Dep. Hwy – Kevin Rinehart

Also present: Liz Paige, Duane Martin, Ruthanne Van Buren, Jackie Lamport, Ken Goepel, Judy to introduce Ayhan Dargin, Simona David from Western Catskills, Robert from Catskill Conquest Rally, Julie Rockefeller and Don Thomas..

The meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 6:02 pm and started with the Pledge of Allegiance1.

A MOTION was made by David Post and second by Julie Sechrist to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by David Post and seconded by Julie Sechrist to approve the Supervisor's monthly report. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried. There were questions from David about Taxes and they were answered by Ruthanne Van Buren.

A MOTION was made by David Post and seconded by Jake Palmatier to approve General bills Abstract for the February Abstracts dated February 12, 2025 for A in the amount of \$4665.19 claim nos A2507-2523 and B in the amount of \$3236.84 claim nos B2427 & B2500 and SL in the amount of \$75.06 claim no SL2502 for a total of \$7977.09. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and Jake Palmatier to approve Tomi Tompkins submission for 2024 mileage submitted after December 31, 2024. It will count as a 2024 expense.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist to approve South Kortright Sewer District bills abstract dated February 12, 2025 in the amount of \$9689.74 for claim nos SK 2471-2473 and SK 2502-2503. There were 3 payments made for 2024 which were approved by the Board. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

A MOTION was made by Julie Sechrist and second by John Kosier to approve Highway Bills Abstracts dated February 12, 2025 for DA in the amount of \$8500.23 claim nos DA 2502-2508 & DB in the amount of \$8982.31 claim nos DB 2500-2501 for a total of \$17482.54. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

Updates from the Highway Department are that they continue to plowing daily "nuisance" snow. A few breakdowns, nothing major. There were broken springs, hydraulic hose repair and

a truck went into the ditch with some damage. They are almost out of sand in the shed but Bloomville agreed to help if needed until more comes in. The salt supply is still good.

In regards to Short Term Rentals, nothing new to report.

In regards to Headwaters, nothing new to report.

Robert Selkowitz came to the meeting to explain the Catskill Conquest Rally and ask for any input for aid, meals, etc. There will be 3 rallies. In September the rally will come through Hobart. Maybe the Rotary would like to host a meal. They should come through Hobart area around 1pm. John Kosier will get them some phone numbers.

Simone David came to offer information about a grant opportunity for small businesses. The program is through CDBG, who we have done grants with before. The town will have to oversee with a committee. It is for businesses with fewer than 5 employees, must contribute 10%, must attend workshops, etc. The Board asked a few questions. This is the beginning stages and there will need to be public interest meetings which will be led by the Western Catskills. David Post asked if farming would be eligible and she believed so. She will come back in March with answers to these questions.

Judy came to introduce Ayhan Dargin. His has purchase the Coleman farm and is trying to bring it back to being a working farm. There are updates and renovations to the buildings. He is an experienced bee keeper and is also trying his hand at chickens and geese. He would like to be a part of the community and promote his farm in any way that is good for himself and the area. He also wondered if there are alternate ways to get to his property than the trail, but the Board did not think so. They said to look in his deed for any Right of Way access.

**RESOLUTION NO. 4-2025** was introduced by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we move into Executive Session at 6:55 pm

to discuss a personnel matter.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, David Post, Julie Sechrist and Jake Palmatier NOES: None Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION NO. 5-2025** was introduced by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we move out of Executive Session at 7:25 pm with no decisions made.

The foregoing RESOLUTION WAS DULY PUT TO A VOTE WHICH resulted as follows:

AYES: John Kosier, David Post, Julie Sechrist and Jake Palmatier NOES: None

Said RESOLUTION was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A MOTION was made by John Kosier and seconded by Julie Sechrist to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm. ALL AYE votes cast, MOTION carried.

WE, the undersigned members of the Town Board of the Town of Stamford, Delaware County, New York, do hereby certify that we have examined the minutes of the previous meeting and found them to be correct and accurate as recorded.

Supervisor	
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## MICROENTERPRISE GRANT PRESENTATION

## February 12, 2025 Town of Stamford, NY



## **Program Description**

- The program is funded through NYS Homes and Community Renewal CDBG
- Funds are awarded to for-profit businesses to create or retain jobs for LMI
- A microenterprise is a business with 5 or fewer employees, including the owner
- Eligible applicants are cities, towns, villages and counties in non-entitlement areas
- Municipalities may choose to appoint a subrecipient such as non-profit to administer the grant
- There is a pre-submission requirement before a full application can be submitted
- A full application can be submitted within 60 days after the pre-submission is approved by the OCR
- Projects must be completed and meet the National Objective within the 24-month term of the grant agreement
- The applicant may apply for an amount between \$100,000 and \$300,000
- Amounts awarded to businesses are between \$5,000 and \$35,000 per business
- 50% of the funds (minus administrative costs) have to go to start-ups
- There is a 10% owner equity required
- A Selection Committee has to be formed to oversee the approval process
- Awarded businesses are required to complete an Entrepreneurship Training program
- If the Board decides to pursue this opportunity, WCCRC can organize public information meetings to gauge interest in the program and identify eligible businesses

