

Mexico Town Board
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held Monday, February 10, at the Town Hall 64 S Jefferson Street Mexico
Commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Eric Behling, Supervisor
Russell Partrick, Councilor
John Sharkey, Councilor
Graham Seiter, Town Attorney
Ron Marsden, Code Enforcement Officer
Russell Marsden, Highway Superintendent
Ned Waterbury, ZBA Chairman
Diane Chepko-Sade, Friends of Mexico Point Park
Carrie Bond, Mexico Point Park
Shannon Bigelow, Community Park Manager
Terry Grimshaw, Water Commissioner
Barry Viggiano, C2AE Engineer
Marcia DeLong, Ag & Market Steering/Comprehensive Plan Committees
Shawn Edwards, Mexico Volunteer Fire Department
Nicole Wild, Town Clerk

Absent: Vacant, Councilor
Vacant, Councilor
Jack Spriggs, Dog Control Officer
Heather Garner, Assessor
Nancy Weber, Planning Board Chairwoman
Melissa Snavlin, C2AE Business Developer
Bill Kimball, C2AE

And 7 in the audience.

Supervisor Behling opened the regular Town Board meeting at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Communications

- Nuggets & Nibbles
- AG & Markets – Dog Control Officer Inspection Report

Public Comment

Concerns were: none. Parties interested in the vacant town council positions were heard.

Town Clerk/Water Clerk-

January disbursements were as follows:

Supervisor for General Fund	\$519.00
NYS Animal Population Control for Dog Licenses	\$30.00
NYS Health Department for Marriage Licenses	\$67.50
Water Payment Collection Total	\$2,972.75

A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Supervisor Behling to accept the January reports as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Dog Control- Supervisor Behling read the report; 13 notices of unlicensed dogs were issued; no dogs were picked up.

Zoning Officer/Building Inspector- Officer Marsden read his report; he completed year end reports for the state and census, code enforcement training for recertification, and said building inspections are ongoing for open permits.

Highway Superintendent- Superintendent Marsden read his report: general maintenance on equipment, plowing and sanding roads, shelving snowbanks back throughout the town, community park, and courthouse, also shoveling and salting walkways at courthouse, library, town office, and museum. Marsden said that, despite the salt shortage, the town has the salt we ordered, and the state has urged municipalities to begin stock piling salt. Marsden said a lot of salt went to southern states that had ice; his allotment for tonnage for the year has been submitted.

Community Park Manager- Manager Bigelow said the park is closed but spring and summer reservations are being accepted. Marsden said it'll be a wet spring at the park, especially after the county brought snow to the park.

Mexico Point Park- Chepko-Sade said they are planning summer events and booking the calendar.

Planning Board- Supervisor Behling read Chairwoman Weber's report: a subdivision request approval was granted; the board members attended training; the board members are in the process of reviewing the town's zoning law.

Zoning Board of Appeals- Chairman Waterbury read his report: discussion is ongoing regarding the Comprehensive Plan and updating of the zoning law.

Water Commissioner- Mayor Grimshaw said there was an emergency will Well #4 that resulted in the shutting down of the well. Grimshaw said that Castor has been called in to help identify and fix the problem. Grimshaw said that, to keep up with demand, all remaining wells are now running without being taken offline to recover. Grimshaw said there is a leak somewhere that could be the result of a frozen meter or broken line inside a home or seasonal residence. Grimshaw said that with the addition of 200-220 new hookups with Water Service Area 6, the town needs to consider having another well.

Supervisor's Report- Supervisor Behling reported that January balances stand as follows:

General Expenses	\$101,253.39
Highway Expenses	\$183,094.03
General Balance	\$1,812,774.61
Highway Balance	\$899,622.68

A motion was made by Councilor Sharkey and seconded by Councilor Partrick to accept the Supervisor's January report as presented. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Fire Department Report- Chief Edwards read his report; 82 calls, 18 structure fires, 26 EMS, 9 roof collapses. Edwards asked if there was any concern with hydrants; Grimshaw said no.

Ambulance- Mike Solazzo said the progress with a potential building near the Community Park is at a standstill for right now. Solazzo said they received approximately 2100 calls last year.

Water District 6 Update- Mr. Viggiano reviewed his progress report; the prior easement issue has been resolved; the USDA-RD prior to bid letter needs attention. Viggiano gave Attorney Seiter a copy of the drafted water agreement contract between town and village. Viggiano left the meeting at 7:55pm.

McAuslan Hall Update- none

Co Rt 64 Cemetery Update- none

Comprehensive Plan Committee Update- Ms. DeLong said the committee discussed community influences; the regional planning meeting was helpful; they are working on other administrative details/items.

Ag & Market Steering Committee Update- Ms. DeLong said the committee created a public survey; they are drafting a press release and flyers to mail directly to community members, which is covered under the funding from their partners so there would be no expense to town or village. DeLong said Marie Hudson from Constellation will come to the March 12th, 5pm meeting at McAuslan Hall and would like the opportunity to meet with the board and answer any questions the board members may have; she asked the board members to please follow up with Mr. Toth or Ms. DeLong to let them know who will attend.

A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Councilor Sharkey to accept all other reports as presented. The motion was passed by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Resolution 2025-03 Payroll

A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Councilor Sharkey to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the February payroll.

ASCAP

A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Councilor Sharkey to table this matter. The motion to table the matter was approved by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Resolution 2025-04 Mexico Community Park Feasibility Study Award

A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Supervisor Behling to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves Barton & Loguidice to conduct the feasibility study for a potential sports complex at the Mexico Community Park.

Resolution 2025-05 Code Enforcement Shared Services IMA

A motion was made by Councilor Sharkey and seconded by Councilor Partrick to accept the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Resolved the Mexico Town Board approves the inter-municipal agreement for Code Enforcement Officer services with the Town of New Haven.

Resolution 2025-06 Audit Claims

A motion was made by Councilor Sharkey and seconded by Councilor Partrick to approve the following resolution. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Resolved the bills for Abstract 2 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General A Fund	voucher #25-53	\$	193,698.57
General B Fund	voucher #8-15	\$	3,358.50
Highway Fund	voucher #18-43	\$	335,458.61
Water Fund	voucher #4-8	\$	406,369.95
Special Districts Fund	voucher #2-3	\$	280,770.33

A motion was made by Councilor Partrick and seconded by Councilor Sharkey to adjourn at 8:19 pm. The motion was adopted by a vote of 3 ayes: Behling, Partrick, Sharkey, and 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Wild, Town Clerk