

The Theresa Town Board held a public hearing & regular meeting March 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Office at 215 Riverside Ave. and the following were present:

Steven Marcinkowski	Supervisor
Timothy Busler	Councilman
Jamie Papin	Councilman
Kristopher Ryder	Councilman
Lynn Brown	Councilwoman
Vickie Colvard	Town Clerk
Mark Savage	Highway Superintendent

Others present: Rachel Roberts, Marilyn Bartlett

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Marcinkowski at 6 PM.

Reports received and placed on file:

Town Clerk's & Building & Zoning February 2025 report
Transfer Site February 2025 report
Supervisors February 2025 report
Judge Robert's February 2025 report
Judge Oblender's report- **NO reports**

Res. # 16

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Timothy Busler

Resolved, that the minutes of February 19, 2025 be accepted as read.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Proof of Public Hearing having been furnished, Supervisor Marcinkowski opened the Public Hearing at 6:02 p.m. on Local Law No. 1-2025 entitled "Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-C for the 2026 budget".

Res. # 17

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Kristopher Ryder

Resolved, that the following bills be paid:

Voucher # 93-104,106,108-134 **Total \$ 42,446.70**

General	\$ 11,452.90
General O/S	\$ 563.95
Highway	\$ 30,361.88
Highway O/S	\$ 67.97

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Res. # 18

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the Town Board audit the Town Clerk and Tax Collector's books for 2024.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

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Res. # 19

Motion by: Timothy Busler
Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the Local Law No. 1-2025 entitled "Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-C for the 2026 budget" be adopted.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Res. # 20

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Timothy Busler

Resolved, that the Town Board audit Judge Robert's books for 2024.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Res. # 21

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski
Seconded by: Kristopher Ryder

Resolved, that the Town Board re-appoints Dale Raymo for 6 year term starting November 2025.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Res. # 22

Motion by:
Seconded by:

Resolved, that the Town Board raise the NSF charge from \$25 to \$30, effective immediately.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Discussion:

NYS retirement system-standard workday and reporting resolutions for elected & appointed officials

Tabled until the next meeting to get clarification as to what the retirement system is requiring for information, if it is just a resolution or if there are hours that are needed to be tracked?

Assessor:

An email from Supervisor Marcinkowski stating what Dale Raymo's intentions would be for re-appointment of Assessor position was sent to the Town Board members, Dale's intentions are to stay for the full 6-year term which will begin in November 2025.

Returned check fee (NSF)- Raise fee?

The bank fee is \$18 for a NSF check for business accounts, we do not pay that now but there is a strong possibility that we will start to pay that fee soon if the bank policies change. Councilman Ryder asked how much work is there to send back taxes and rescind for NSF fee and how many people have returned checks? The Tax Collector stated that there is quite a bit of a process of sending back fees and paperwork to taxpayers for returned fees. It would be sufficient to raise the fee to \$30 effective immediately.

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Update of Highway Dept.:

- Superintendent Savage went to advocacy day with Senator Walczak's office. They are aware of the Route 37 issue with speed and accidents, someone from the office will be reaching out to Superintendent Savage. Mr. Savage feels we are making headway with this issue.
- No increase for CHIPS, Mr. Savage is hopeful of an increase.
- Mr. Savage talked with Trever at Suite-Kote, hoping to be 1st on the list to get the basketball courts black topped.
- No fence for now, the poles will be cut down to even out the blacktop for the courts first.
- Mr. Savage thinks the new fence should be done in stages. Get the black top done now, then paint it and then get the lines done and that should be done professionally. (get a list of contacts together to get quotes)

Update Park & Rec:

Plan for summer rec: Post the job of Summer Rec director on our Town website and Facebook page. The Town is looking for someone that is 21 or older to fill the position.

Correspondence:

2/27/25- Alexander Sweet sent in an email about the Town fields having drinking, smoking, and drugs. The Supervisor will speak to Bethany Jones about any incidents the Town should know about.

Brief open forum:

Marilyn Bartlett lives on Lake of the Woods and is having an issue with a neighbor burning poop. She states that something needs to be done, the neighbor has been addressed several times. Ms. Bartlett would like to know what the Town law is for this matter. Supervisor Marcinkowski will reach out to the Town Attorney to decide what the proper procedure is to handle this matter.

Councilwoman Brown stated that the playground project has raised about \$28,200 as of March 11th, 2025. The picnic tables and benches have been ordered, the projected finish date for the Theresa Memorial Park is June 28th, 2025. They would like to have sponsors for the benches.

Close the gap for the rest of the playground through the Community Foundation grants to look at the improvements made to the Town of Theresa.

Res. # 23

Motion by: Kristopher Ryder

Seconded by: Lynn Brown

Resolved, that the Town Board go into executive session at 7:44 p.m.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Res. # 24

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski

Seconded by: Timothy Busler

Resolved, that the Town Board ends executive session at 8:02 p.m.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

Res. # 25

Motion by: Kristopher Ryder

Seconded by: Lynn Brown

Resolved, that the Town Board accepts the Teamsters' Union contract.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- abstained, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye
Motion carried.

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Res. # 26

Motion by: Steven Marcinkowski

Seconded by: Timothy Busler

Resolved, that the meeting be closed at 8:05 p.m.

VOTE: Steven Marcinkowski- aye, Timothy Busler- aye, Jamie Papin- aye, Kristopher Ryder- aye, Lynn Brown- aye

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Colvard
Town Clerk