JANUARY 13, 2026 - REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF CAMILLUS, COUNTY OF ONONDAGA, STATE OF NEW YORK, HELD AT THE CAMILLUS MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

PRESENT
John Fatcheric, Supervisor
Chris Cesta
Fred Covert
Mike LaFlair
Mary Luber
Laura Teufel

STAFF
Jim Gascon, Town Attorney
Chuck White, Town Engineer

GUESTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
Ken Stoneburg, Highway Superintendent
2 others

ABSENT:
John O'Hara

Supervisor Fatcheric called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
Supervisor Fatcheric reviewed progress during 2025 and his vision for 2026:

He announced that the Town of Camillus is one of 13 towns (of the 933 towns) in New York State to receive the "Town of Excellence" award from the New York State Association of Towns.

He announced that the Town has been awarded, as the result of a consolidated funding agreement with the developers of Church Street Station, a $3,500,000.00 infrastructure grant from the Empire State Development Pro-Housing Funds Program, noting that it is the largest grant the Town of Camillus has ever been awarded.

The Greenways & Blueways grant award of $100,000.00 from Onondaga County for improvements to the Sportsman's Club driveway and the delineation between that and the Empire State Trail has been finalized and efforts to implement the improvements have begun.

The $250,000.00 CREST grant the Town was awarded to install ADA Compliant bathrooms at Camillus Park has been approved by the NYS Senate Finance Committee and is currently being processed by DASNY.

The bid related to the grant award of $75,000.00 to install ADA accessible countertops in the Municipal Building is on this meeting's agenda for the Town Board's consideration.

The Town has been awarded a $350,000.00 CREST grant to install a Municipal Building elevator and the project is currently in the bid procurement process.

He shared that his vision for the year ahead is to continue efforts to improve maintenance and rehabilitation of Town facilities that were highly neglected for many years, noting that the Municipal Building roof has been replaced and its heating and ventilation systems are being repaired, the foundation of Senior Center has been repaired, and work continues on improvements to the Municipal Building, the Senior Center, and Shove Park. He added that he

and the new Highway Superintendent have discussed the necessary repairs and maintenance at the Highway Department complex that are the result of neglect over past years.

Supervisor Fatcheric concluded with his desire for ongoing support of emergency services and Town departments, and continuing efforts to provide them with the tools and staff necessary to support services as the Town continues to grow.

COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Councilor Luber thanked the Police Department and Highway Department staff for performing their regular work responsibilities.

Councilor Covert stated he was delighted to have joined the Town Board, and he is eager to work with and learn from everyone involved.

Councilor Cesta congratulated Supervisor Fatcheric on all the competitive grant awards he has obtained on behalf of the Town, expressing appreciation for his hard work and time spent on these complex applications.

Councilor Teufel stated she is looking forward to serving on the Town Board and that it has been a great experience thus far. She also congratulated Supervisor Fatcheric on his efforts resulting in a $3.5 million dollar grant award.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS/REPORTS

Superintendent Stoneburg reported that his department has been plowing and clearing dead ends and cul-de-sacs, noting that plow crews have been put in service 50 times to handle snowfall, which is more than the entire 2019-2020 season. He confirmed that salt reserves are sufficient for anticipated needs and stated that crews will clear leaves and brush during periods of no or low snow. He also noted he will be attending NYAOT training in Corning NY in January 2026.

ACCEPT THE MINUTES

Councilor Cesta moved to accept the minutes of the December 23, 2025 meeting. Councilor Teufel seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Councilor Teufel moved to accept the minutes of the January 6, 2026 Organizational Meeting. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #34

Councilor LaFlair moved to approve Warrant No. 1, checks and ACH payments in the amount of $265,445.53 as audited by the Town Board and hereby approved for payment in the usual manner at the discretion of the Town Supervisor. Councilor Cesta seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #35
Councilor LaFlair moved to designate Christopher Cesta as the delegate and Martha Dickson-McMahon as the alternate to represent the Town at the 2026 Annual Business Meeting of The Association of Towns. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #36
Councilor Luber moved to approve a one-year contract between the Town of Camillus and Jim Monahan for the provision of assessment consulting services and assistance with informal assessment reviews, at a monthly rate of $300.00. Councilor LaFlair seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #37
Councilor LaFlair moved to approve the Intermunicipal Agreement for Construction and Demolition Debris By-Pass Waste Disposal with the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCRRA) and authorize the Supervisor to sign. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #38
Councilor Cesta moved to accept the bid of $108,500.00 from McGinnis Nelson Construction, Inc. for the Town Hall Accessibility Improvement Project, with $75,000.00 of that expense covered by grant funding award. Councilor Luber seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #39
Councilor Teufel moved to approve the Town of Camillus Substance Testing Policy, which covers applicants and employees subject to commercial driver's license (CDL) requirements, follows FMCSA alcohol and drug testing regulations, and covers other employee titles including those titles listed in the CSEA, Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Town of Camillus Unit 7816-00 Onondaga County Local 8340. Councilor Cesta seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF CAMILLUS COMMENTS
Mayor Waterman was not in attendance

PUBLIC COMMENT
None

ADJOURNMENT
Councilor LaFlair moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. Councilor Cesta seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Dickson-McMahon
Town Clerk