MAY 26, 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
John O'Hara
Laura Teufel

STAFF
Paul Smythe, Town Attorney
Chuck White, Town Engineer

GUESTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
Eric Bacon, Parks & Recreation Director
Mike Schreyer, Police Chief
Ken Stoneburg, Highway Superintendent
Approximately 8 others

Supervisor Fatcheric called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING #1
Public Hearing for proposed Local Law H-2026 to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Camillus to change the zoning designation of 103 Bennett Road, TM #: 017.-01-01.1 from C-3 to BO.

Resolution #120
Councilor Teufel moved to waive the reading of the public hearing notice. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Public Comment
A resident of Richlee Drive expressed concern that construction of a billboard in the proposed location would diminish the view from their property, lead to further commercial development of the parcel, create light pollution, lower their property values, and negatively impact his commercial business located adjacent to the parcel.

Patrick Reynolds, of Ianuzzi and Romans Land Surveying, representing the applicant, clarified that, while they are seeking to have the Billboard Overlay District granted, the parcel would remain zoned commercial and, when they seek the necessary Special Use Permit, they will be glad to address all the concerns brought up this evening. He noted that the proposed billboard would be located along Route 5, next to other commercial properties.

Resolution #121
Councilor Cesta moved to close the public hearing. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

SUPERVISOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
None

COUNCILOR COMMENTS
Councilor Covert noted that the community forum for 3rd Ward residents to discuss traffic concerns has been rescheduled to Monday, June 1 in the Municipal Building Board Room at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor O'Hara noted for 6th Ward residents that, although the Finger Lakes Railway crossing near Knowell Road is in a designated quiet zone, it is undergoing repairs and for safety reasons the trains will be temporarily sounding horns until the repairs are completed.

Councilors Luber and Teufel offered comments unrelated to Town Board business.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS/REPORTS

Superintendent Stoneburg stated that 20,000 square yards of brush have been ground, that auctioning of unused and damaged equipment is underway, and that they are continuing to patch roads in preparation for paving.

ACCEPT THE MINUTES

Councilor O'Hara moved to accept the minutes of the May 12, 2026 meeting. Councilor Teufel seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution #122

The following resolution was offered by Councilor Cesta, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilor Covert to wit:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law and the Real Property Tax Law, a proposed local law titled Local Law No. H-2026, "A Local Law Amending the Zoning Map of the Town of Camillus to Change the Zoning Designation of Certain Property Zoned Commercial (C-3) District to Billboard Overlay (BO) District" was presented and introduced at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Camillus held on April 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on such proposed local law on this 26th day of May 2026, by the Town Board of the Town of Camillus and proof of publication of notice of such public hearing, as required by law, having been submitted and filed, and all persons desiring to be heard in connection with said proposed local law having been heard, and said proposed local law having been in the possession of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Camillus in its final form in the manner required by Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of proposed Local Law No. H-2026 has previously been determined to be an Unlisted Action and will have no significant adverse impact on the environment, thus concluding the SEQR review process and the Board hereby reaffirms and readopts the Negative Declaration determination; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to enact said proposed Local Law No. H-2026

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Camillus, Onondaga County, New York, does hereby enact proposed Local Law No. H-2026 as Local Law No. 8-2026 as follows:

"TOWN OF CAMILLUS
LOCAL LAW NO. 8 OF 2026
A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE
TOWN OF CAMILLUS TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION
OF CERTAIN PROPERTY ZONED COMMERCIAL (C-3) DISTRICT
TO BILLBOARD OVERLAY (BO) DISTRICT

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Camillus, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law, as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY
This local law is enacted pursuant to the New York State Constitution and New York Municipal Home Rule Law §10.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1503 OF THE TOWN OF CAMILLUS CODE AND THE TOWN OF CAMILLUS ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY ZONED COMMERCIAL (C-3) DISTRICT TO BILLBOARD OVERLAY (BO) DISTRICT

The Zoning Map of the Town of Camillus, as provided for in Section 1503 of the Code of the Town of Camillus, shall be amended to change the zoning designation of certain lands totaling approximately 1.22+ acres located in the Town of Camillus (103 Bennett Road; Tax Map No. 17.-01-01.1) as more particularly described in the attached Schedule "A", from Commercial (C-3) District to Billboard Overlay (BO) District, as that term is defined and regulated pursuant to the provisions of the Code of the Town of Camillus and a new subsection shall be added to Section 1503 to reflect such change as follows:
"The zoning designation of certain lands located in the Town of Camillus (103 Bennett Road; Tax Map No. 17.-01-01.1) is hereby changed from Commercial (C-3) District to Billboard Overlay (BO) District."

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF THE TOWN OF CAMILLUS ZONING MAP
The Zoning Map of the Town of Camillus shall be amended to incorporate the above change of zoning classification.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY
If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, article or part of this local law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operations to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section, article, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE
This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SCHEDULE "A"
LEGAL DESCRIPTION 103 BENNETT ROAD
PART OF LOT No. 21 TOWN OF CAMILLUS

All that tract or parcel of lands situate in the Town of Camillus, County of Onondaga and State of New York, being part of Lot No. 21 in said Town, being part of lands conveyed to Mark A. Kane, Inc. by deed recorded in the Onondaga County Clerk's Office in Book 4808 of Deeds at page 437, bounded a described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the westerly boundary of Bennett Road at its intersection with the southerly boundary of New York State Route No. 5; running thence S13° 54' 30"W along said westerly boundary of Bennett Road, a distance of 184.52 feet to a northerly boundary of lands conveyed to TPM General Contracting, Inc. by deed recorded in the Onondaga County Clerk's Office in Book 5044 of Deeds at page 555; thence westerly, northerly, westerly and northerly along said northerly boundary and the westerly boundary of said lands conveyed to TPM General Contracting, Inc. the following courses and distances: 1) N80° 22' 15"W, 114.65 feet; 2) S84° 28' 10"W, 97.31 feet; 3) N9° 37' 45"E, 109.86 feet; 4) N80° 22' 15"W, 25.00 feet; N7° 18' 15"E, 153.04 feet to said southerly boundary of New York State Route No. 5; thence easterly along said southerly boundary of New York State Route No. 5 the following courses and distances: 1) S66° 32' 13"E, 12.42 feet; 2) S80° 32' 10"E, 122.74 feet; 3) S57° 14' 49"E, 129.12 feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to any easements and restrictions of record.

The question of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

John Fatcheric	Town Supervisor	Voted Yes
Chris Cesta	Councilor	Voted Yes
Fred Covert	Councilor	Voted Yes
Mike LaFlair	Councilor	Voted Yes
Mary Luber	Councilor	Voted No
John O'Hara	Councilor	Voted No
Laura Teufel	Councilor	Voted Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution #123
Councilor Cesta moved to approve Warrant No. 10, checks and ACH payments in the amount of $393,925.71 as audited by the Town Board and hereby approved for payment in the usual manner at the discretion of the Town Supervisor. Councilor Luber seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #124
Councilor Cesta moved to accept the quote of $425,000.00 from Maxwell Appraisal Service for townwide reassessment services and authorize the Supervisor to sign. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, but it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #125

Councilor O'Hara moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Camillus and the Town of Camillus Police Benevolent Association, Inc. and authorize the Supervisor to sign. Councilor Cesta seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #126

Councilor Covert moved to approve the following budget transfers and amendments for year-end 2025. Councilor Cesta seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Town of Camillus

BUDGET TRANSFERS & AMENDMENTS

	To	*From*
Year End 2025 -Budget Amendments		
124,742.00	A.D1000.4 Contractual Services for General Government Support	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
186,827.00	A.D3000.1 Personel Services for Public Safety	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
2,323.00	A.D4000.1 Personel Services for Health-Town Shop	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
31,998.00	A.D5000.4 Contractual Services for Transportation	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
17,997.00	A.D7000.1 Personal Services for Culteral and Recreation	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
3,472.00	A.D7000.2 Equipment and Capital Outlay for Culture and Recreation	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
91,683.00	A.D7000.4 Contractual Services for Culture and Recreation	A.D9000.8 Contractual Services-Employee Benefits
1,011,551.00	A.D8000.4 Contractual Services for Home and Community	A00.0000.02595.0000 Landfill C&D Revenue
20,658.00	DM.D5130.4 Highway-Contractual Services for Highway Machinery	DR.D9000.8 Highway Repair-Employee Benefits
105,195.00	DR.5110.4 Highway-Contractual Services for Highway Repair	DR.D9000.8 Highway Repair-Employee Benefits
153,751.00	DS.5142.4 Highway-Contractual Services for Highway Snow Removal	DS.5140.1 Highway Snow Removal-Salaries
390.00	B00.3620.11000.3818 Code Enforcement Deputy Officer Salaries	B00.8010.12000.0000 Zoning Clerk Salaries
10,135.00	B00.3620.45300.3501 Codes Vehicle Expense Gas/Repairs	B00.8020.419000.0000 Comprehensive Plan
372.00	B00.8010.41000.0000 Supplies - Zoning	B00.8020.419000.0000 Comprehensive Plan
7,665.00	B00.8010.44000.0000 Legal Fees-Zoning	B00.8020.419000.0000 Comprehensive Plan
2,282.00	B.D9000.8 Part Town Employee Benefits	B00.8020.419000.0000 Comprehensive Plan

Resolution #127
Councilor Luber moved to approve the engagement letter from Drescher & Malecki LLP for 2025 audit services and authorize the Supervisor to sign. Councilor Cesta seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #128
Councilor O'Hara moved to authorize a maximum of $20,000.00 in matching funds for a NYS PLAYS Grant Application for the construction of a new playground at West Colony Pointe Park. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Resolution #129
The following resolution was offered by Councilor Covert, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilor Luber, to wit:

WHEREAS, Volume 6 N.Y.C.R.R., Section 617 of the Regulations relating to Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law, requires that as early as possible, an involved agency shall make a determination whether a given action is subject to the aforementioned law; and

WHEREAS, the proposed action consists of the replacement of outdated and old playground equipment with new playground equipment at the Town of Camillus West Colony Pointe Playground located at the intersection of Belle Isle Road and Weathervane Way in the Town of Camillus; and

WHEREAS, no other agency has the legal authority or jurisdiction to approve or directly undertake the proposed action, such that there are no other involved agencies within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) with respect to the proposed playground project, with the result that the Town Board shall act as lead agency in this matter; and

WHEREAS, the proposed playground project is an unlisted action for purposes of environmental review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that a Short Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) shall be required in connection with this matter; and

WHEREAS, the said EAF has been prepared and has been reviewed by the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered the proposed action, has considered the criteria contained in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 617.7 and has compared the impacts which may be reasonably expected to result from the playground project against said criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered and discussed fully the potential environmental impacts of the proposed action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT,
RESOLVED AND DETERMINED that Town Board of the Town of Camillus is hereby determined to be lead agency, that the proposed playground project is an unlisted action and a

Short Environmental Assessment Form has been prepared in connection with this action; and be it further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED that the Town Board of the Town of Camillus has determined this action shall have no adverse impact on the environment; that accordingly, an environmental impact statement (EIS) shall not be required; and that the Town Board hereby adopts a Negative Declaration for purposes of SEQRA as the proposed project merely consists of the replacement of old playground equipment with new playground equipment, minimal land disturbance will occur, there will be no adverse impacts to the character of the area, there are no critical environmental areas in proximity to the project nor are there are impacts to historical or archeological resources and no traffic impacts, drainage impacts, noise or other negative environmental impacts are anticipated.

The question of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote and, upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

John Fatcheric	Town Supervisor	Voted Yes
Chris Cesta	Councilor	Voted Yes
Fred Covert	Councilor	Voted Yes
Mike LaFlair	Councilor	Voted Yes
Mary Luber	Councilor	Voted Yes
John O'Hara	Councilor	Voted Yes
Laura Teufel	Councilor	Voted Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution #130

Councilor Cesta moved to approve the Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law. Councilor O'Hara seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF CAMILLUS COMMENTS

Mayor Waterman was not in attendance and submitted no comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A non-resident commented regarding the Camillus Sportsman's Club.

A resident commended the Town Board on their achievements and professionalism.

A member of the Memorial Day Parade committee thanked Town of Camillus employees for their assistance on parade day.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Luber moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Councilor Covert seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Dickson-McMahon
Town Clerk