

**AGENDA
TOWN OF GENEVA
Regular Town Board Monthly Meeting
January 14, 2025**

Informal Discussion – 5:30 p.m.: Informal discussion with Town Board, department heads and public.

1. **Call to order** Regular meeting. Immediately following the Organizational Meeting that began at 6:00 p.m.

2. **Privilege of the floor.**

Philip Fischer regarding a proposal for development of property at 837 County Road 4 and a potential request for a Planned Unit Development.

3. **Gratitudes.** Highway staff for doing a fine job clearing town and county roads during snow storms; water & sewer staff for removing snow around the town hall.

Amy Naegele for another fine Town Times.

4. **Approval of the minutes:** Approval of the minutes of the special year end Town Board meeting of December 26, 2024.

Motion _____ Second _____

5. **Town Clerk’s report.**

Questions, comments.

The Board acknowledges receipt.

6. **Code Enforcement Officer’s report.**

Questions, comments.

The Board acknowledges receipt.

7. **Highway Superintendent’s Report:**

Questions, comments.

The Board acknowledges receipt.

8. **Water & Sewer Superintendent’s Report:**

Questions, comments.

The Board acknowledges receipt.

9. **Supervisor’s report of finances for the previous month**

Questions, comments.

The Board acknowledges receipt.

10. **RESOLUTION NO. 16-2025**- Approving Abstract-001, January 2025, Bills for Payment and Prepaid Bills.

Motion _____ Second _____

**TOWN OF GENEVA, NEW YORK
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 16 -2025**

Whereas certain abstracts and bills for services and goods received or to be received by the town have been presented for payment or necessarily paid, Abstract-1, January 2025, and

Whereas those abstracts and bills have been reviewed by the town bookkeeper, the supervisor, and other members of the town board, and are in proper order for payment or approval, now therefore, it is

RESOLVED the pre-paid bills that are presented are approved and the supervisor is authorized to pay the unpaid bills.

11. **RESOLUTION NO. 17-2025**– Introducing a Local Law and Calling a Public Hearing: Tax Levy Limit.

Motion _____ Second _____

**TOWN OF GENEVA, NEW YORK
RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 17 -2025**

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of Geneva, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interests of the Town to schedule a public hearing to solicit public comment upon a proposed Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c; and

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of Geneva has reviewed the draft of the aforementioned proposed Local Law attached as Exhibit "1" and deems it in the best interests of the Town of Geneva to proceed in accordance with the Code of the Town of Geneva and the Laws of the State of New York in adopting the Local Law,

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED the Town Clerk is directed to schedule a public hearing to be held on February 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Geneva Town Hall, 3750 County Road 6, Geneva, New York; and it is further

RESOLVED the Town Clerk is directed to forward to the official newspaper of the Town a Notice of Public Hearing in the form substantially the same as attached as Exhibit "2"; and it is further

RESOLVED the Town Clerk is directed to post a copy of the proposed Local Law on the Town of Geneva sign board and take any and all other necessary actions to properly bring the aforementioned Local Law before the Town Board of the Town of Geneva for its consideration; it is further

RESOLVED the Town Clerk be is directed to provide all other notices as required by law for the adoption of this local law.

I, Lorie Peck, Town Clerk of the Town of Geneva, do hereby certify that the aforementioned resolution was adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Geneva on January 14, 2025, by the following vote:

| | <u>Aye</u> | <u>Nay</u> |
|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Kimberly Aliperti | _____ | _____ |
| Mitchell Wilber | _____ | _____ |
| Mark Venuti | _____ | _____ |
| Robert McCarthy | _____ | _____ |
| Gordon Baxter | _____ | _____ |

Dated: January 14, 2025

Lorie Peck, Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 18-2025. Bid Authorization for Pump Station Upgrades and Expansion.

WHEREAS the Town of Geneva (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) with an IMA with the Town of Seneca is intending to install pump station upgrades and expansion at the Kashong Switch Road site at the Kashong Switch Road. This project is undertaken to provide adequate capacity to serve current demands and needs into the future.

WHEREAS this resolution includes the Pump Station Upgrades which includes replacing 2 pumps along with adding a third pump, modification of piping to the station and inside the station, adding new VFD controls, building modifications and building expansion.

WHEREAS the project received funding from Environmental Facilities Corporation in the form of Grants which is intended to cover 60% of the project cost through the DWSRF (EFC Project Number 18619). The NYSDOH has provided a verbal approval, and the plans have been submitted for final sign-off.

WHEREAS the project documents (Plans and Specifications) have been prepared and ready to go out to bid. The project will be bid in accordance with NYS Bidding requirements and the IMA between the Town of Geneva and the Town of Seneca. The Town of Geneva will be the facilitator of the bid per EFC requirements on behalf of the Town of Seneca.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizeS the advertisement of the bid for the pump station upgrades and expansion noted in accordance with bidding laws of New York State and IMA Agreement between the Town of Geneva and the Town of Seneca.

Motion made by Member _____ : Seconded by Member _____

The above Resolution was duly adopted on January 14, 2025 by unanimous vote of the Town of Geneva Town Board.

Lorie Peck, Town Clerk
Town of Geneva

12. Plen to cull town deer population. Discussion of recommendation of the Department of Environmental Conservation.

13. Climate Smart and Sustainability Coordinator. Jacob Fox is going off the payroll (he was being paid \$15.53/hour for 10 hours per week) and will be available for special projects as approved by the town board like other consultants. His position provides an annual stipend of \$1500 for general consulting and assistance throughout the year.

14. Reports of Standing Committees

Economic Development –

Sustainability –

Kashong Conservation Area -

Communication –

Parks and Recreation –

15. Supervisor's Report:

The supervisor has been reappointed to the county Planning & Environmental Quality Committee and Ways & Means Committee. He has also been appointed chair of the county's Traffic Safety Board and Alternatives to Incarceration Board, and to the board of directors of the Ontario County Soil & Water Conservation District.

The Town will host two county collection events again this year: a mattress collection event on Saturday, May 17; and a pumpkin plus collection event on two Saturdays, November 1 and 8.

Selected Meetings and Events

December 11 – County Ways & Means Committee meeting

Reuse Systems board meeting

Strong Towns webinar in the housing crisis

December 16 - Ontario County Soil & Water Conservation District personnel committee

December 18 - Ontario County Soil & Water Conservation District board meeting

December 19 - Ontario County Board of Supervisors meeting

January 2 - Ontario County Board of Supervisors organizational meeting

January 8 – Seneca-Keuka Watershed Partners meeting

January 9 – Leadership Coaching Retreat

January 13 – County Planning & Environmental Quality Committee meeting

16. Old Business.

17. New Business.

18. Privilege of the floor.

19. **Adjourn:**

Motion _____

Second _____ Time _____

Exhibit 1

LOCAL LAW FILING

New York State Department of State
Division of Corporations, State Records and Uniform Commercial Code
One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12231-0001

(Use this form to file a local law with the Secretary of State)

Text of law should be given as amended. Do not include matter being eliminated and do not use italics or underlining to indicate new matter.

County of Ontario
City
Town of Geneva
Village

Local Law No. 1 of the year 2025

A local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c
(Insert Title)

Be it enacted by the Town Board (Name of Legislative Body)

County of Ontario
City
Town of Geneva as follows:
Village

Section 1: Legislative Intent

It is the intent of this local law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Geneva, County of Ontario pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c, and to allow the Town of Geneva to adopt a town budget for (a) town purposes (b) fire protection districts and (c) any other special or improvement district governed by the town board for the fiscal year 2024 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 2: Authority

This local law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes the town board to override the tax levy limit by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of the town board.

Section 3: Tax Levy Limit Override

The Town Board of the Town of Geneva, County of Ontario, is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2026 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the limit specified in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4: Severability

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5: Effective Date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

EXHIBIT 2

TOWN OF GENEVA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Geneva on the 11th day of February, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., at the Geneva Town Hall, 3750 County Road 6, Geneva, New York, regarding the adoption of a Local Law which would permit the Town Board to adopt a budget for the 2026 fiscal year that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Any resident of the Town of Geneva shall be entitled to be heard upon said proposed Local Law at such public hearing. Copies of said proposed Local Law are available for review at the Town of Geneva Town Hall, 3750 County Road 6, Geneva, New York.

This by Resolution of the Town Board of the Town of Geneva.

Lorie Peck, Town Clerk

January 14, 2025