

TOWN OF BUTTERNUTS
MEETING AGENDA
September 9, 2026
REGULAR MEETING

AUDIT VOUCHERS

OPEN MEETING AND PLEDGE

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – THREE MINUTES EACH

MINUTES CORRECTIONS AND ADOPT – August 12, 2026 Special Meeting / Public Hearing
August 12, 2026 Regular Meeting

REPORTS: TOWN CLERK -TOWN JUSTICE – DOG CONTROL - ASSESSOR
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

COMMITTEE REPORTS- POLICY Internet / vehicle use * AUDIT * BUILDING COMMITTEE

OLD BUSINESS 1. Moratorium on Battery Energy Storage Systems
 2. Moratorium on Development and Construction of Data Centers

NEW BUSINESS 1. Facebook Page for Town
 2. Fuel Agreement with Fire Department
 3. Approve Payments of Vouchers 26252 – 26280 \$134,688.93
 4. FOIL Form F-20260903
 5. Board of Assessment Review
 6. Financial Reports August
 7. Cleaner for Town Hall
 8. Copes Corners Park
 9. Planning Board Minutes

BOARD DISCUSSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – THREE MINUTES EACH

ADJOURNMENT

Town of Butternuts

Regular Meeting

September 9, 2026

Sign-In Sheet

Please sign & print your name.

1. Tamie Champion

[Signature]

2. Mark E Nelson

Mark E Nelson

3. Rebekah Huff

Rebekah Huff

4. James Powers

JAMES POWERS

5. Jim Pellemus @PK

6. Barbara Lilley @PK

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

11. _____

12. _____

13. _____

14. _____

08/31/2026

Town Clerk's Monthly Report
August 01, 2026 - August 31, 2026

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PENNY

Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share
A2544	After expiration date Dog Licensing	After expiration date	7	45.00
		Female, Spayed	10	81.00
		Female, Unspayed	1	12.00
		Male, Neutered	5	30.00
		Sub-Total:		\$168.00
B2402	Town Clerk	Planning Board Fees	2	60.00
		Sub-Total:		\$60.00
Total Local Shares Remitted:				\$228.00
Amount paid to: NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program				18.00
Total State, County & Local Revenues:		\$246.00	Total Non-Local Revenues:	\$18.00

To the Supervisor:

Pursuant to Section 27, Sub 1, of the Town Law, I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all fees and monies received by me, Penny Klingman Town Clerk, Town of Butternuts during the period stated above, in connection with my office, excepting only such fees and monies, the application of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Supervisor_____
Date

Penny Klingman
 Town Clerk

9/3/2026
 Date

* DECALS Commission - Aug. \$25.06

* Interest - Aug. \$.09

Adjusted Local Shares Revenue: \$193.15

**Butternuts Town Court
PO Box 26
Gilbertsville, New York 13776
607-783-2758 Fax: 607-240-5063
ButternutsTownCourt@nycourts.gov**

July 12, 2026

Dear Board Members and Supervisor:

Enclosed please find my cashbook report. Town Court took in no money during the month of June 2026

Wishing you all a wonderful and safe Summer.

Sincerely,



Claudette Y. Newman
Butternuts Town Justice

encls.

Butternuts Town Court

Cashbook Report

Judge Claudette Y. Newman

Regular Account

Report date: 07/12/2026
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Transactions from: 06/01/2026 To: 06/30/2026

This report shows all cashbook activity.

Checks show as negative numbers and do not affect deposit totals.

CHECK or RECEIPT	PAID DEPOSIT	CASE#	PAYEE	REASON	FINE	CIV-FEE	SCHG	BAIL	OTHER
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Account totals for period including checks \$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Total deposits this period: \$	0.00
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Total checks this period: \$	0.00
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Total of all accounts this period including checks: \$	0.00
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Bail applied this period: \$	0.00
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Total credit card payments: \$	0.00
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Total E-payments: \$	0.00
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Reportable money received this period: \$	0.00
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NOTE: The figures above represent changes to your bank balance during the report period. Your actual bank balance will differ due to transactions outside of this report period.

NOTE: Credit card payments will not show on deposit slips, but will show on the cash book report.

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August 13, 2026

Dear Board Members and Supervisor:

Enclosed please find my monthly check for Fines and Surcharges, along with my cashbook report.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of Summer.

Sincerely,



Claudette Y. Newman
Butternuts Town Justice

encls.

Butternuts Town Court

Cashbook Report

Judge Claudette Y. Newman

Regular Account

Report date: 08/13/2026
Page 1 of 1

Transactions from: 07/01/2026 To: 07/31/2026

This report shows all cashbook activity.

Checks show as negative numbers and do not affect deposit totals.

CHECK or RECEIPT	PAID DEPOSIT	CASE#	PAYEE	REASON	FINE	CIV-FEE	SCHG	BAIL	OTHER
N000613	07/23/26	07/24/26	25070004	Fee Payment	0.00	0.00	25.00	0	0
			BankDeposit on 07/24/26	total deposit of \$ 25.00					
Account totals for period including checks \$					0.00	0.00	25.00	0.00	0.00
Total deposits this period: \$					25.00				
Total checks this period: \$					0.00				
Total of all accounts this period including checks: \$					25.00				
Bail applied this period: \$					0.00				
Total credit card payments: \$					0.00				
Total E-payments: \$					0.00				
Reportable money received this period: \$					25.00				

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Town of Butternuts
Dog Control Officer Report

For service period 8-1-2026 through 8-31-2026

Date	Mileage	Name & Nature of call
8-7	8.2	Cone case – wellness check on dog at Town park
8-17	4.1	Neuhoffer – dog caught in crate (I am not making this up)
Ongoing throughout	12.4	Nichols – barking dogs

Total mileage 24.7 miles

Respectfully submitted by,

Scot Lueck
Scot Lueck, DCO

**Town of Butternuts
Monthly Assessor's Report**

Date June

Number of tax payers visited in office |||||

Number of properties visited |||

Number of cards and assessments updated 0 - Computer is still locked.

Correspondence received regarding town taxes 0

Complaints mitigated 0

Out of office work completed picked up final Roll in Cooperstown on 6/30.

Total increase or Decrease in town tax valuation 0

Training updates available 0

Additional hours of training completed 0

Signed W. S. Smith

**Town of Butternuts
Monthly Assessor's Report**

Date July

Number of tax payers visited in office III

Number of properties visited III

Number of cards and assessments updated 2

Correspondence received regarding town taxes 0

Complaints mitigated 0

Out of office work completed 0

Total increase or Decrease in town tax valuation 0

Training updates available 0

Additional hours of training completed 0

Signed W. H. Smith

**Town of Butternuts
Monthly Assessor's Report**

Date August

Number of tax payers visited in office 111

Number of properties visited 111

Number of cards and assessments updated 7

Correspondence received regarding town taxes 0

Complaints mitigated 0

Out of office work completed 0

Total increase or Decrease in town tax valuation 0

Training updates available 0

Additional hours of training completed 0

Signed WHL50

Town of Butternuts Highway

Monthly Report

September 9, 2026

1. From county 4 to Gun Club, Copes Corner Rd was ground and reprofiled with crushed stone added. A seal will be applied to bind and hold it for winter. Next year we will pave with our own crushed gravel with emulsion added.
2. I am submitting my budget for next year. I would like to have an account set up to start a bridge reserve for when replacement is needed.
3. I recommend replacing the Loader next year. The trade-in value decreased significantly in one year.
4. Taking pickup to Spikes Garage, Thursday, to get an estimate for repairing.
5. Gravel bank on county 18 was DEC inspected on Aug. 20. We are encroaching the final bench mark on the top tier, we should have the final grade toe marked.
6. We are still shouldering our roads. Getting ready for chip-sealing. Hopefully chip- seal will be done by end of Sept. weather dependent. Rain has pushed back chip-seal appointments. I'm meeting with Suit-Kote Thursday morning to discuss.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAW
REQUEST

Under the provisions of the New York Freedom of Information Law, Article 6 of the Public Officers Law, I hereby request records or portions thereof pertaining to: (Please be specific)

I hereby certify that the requested list will not be used for solicitation or fund-raising purposes.

Signature _____

Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____



For Town Clerk use only

_____ Approved

_____ Denied – Reason checked below

_____ Confidential Disclosure	_____ Part of investigatory file
_____ Invasion of Privacy	_____ Record not found
_____ Record not kept here	_____ Exempted by statute
_____ Other	

You have the right to appeal a denial of this application to the Town Attorney, David Merzig, 8 Dietz Street, Oneonta, NY 13820 who must fully explain his reasons for such denial in writing within seven days of receipt of an appeal.

I hereby appeal: _____
Signature

Date: _____

September 9, 2026

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN BOARD

On Thursday, October 22, the Butternut Valley Grange will be conducting the annual Meet the Candidates Night at the Grange Hall, 7 Bloom Street, Gilbertsville, 7 p.m.

Invited to make presentations that evening include: candidates for Otsego County Sheriff, District 2 County Representative for the Towns of Butternuts, Morris and Pittsfield, Senate candidates for District 51 and Assembly candidates for District 121. Candidates for the Town of Butternuts will be introduced, even if running unopposed, and may speak to the group if they care to beyond a simple introduction.

The Town Board is invited to attend this program that will inform all of the candidates that will be on the November 3 ballot.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Roger J. Halbert". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "H".

Roger J. Halbert
Legislative Chairperson
Butternut Valley Grange

Questions: 607-783-2691