

**December 1, 2025– WORK SESSION**

**The Work Session of the Town of Dickinson Town Board was called to order by Supervisor Michael A. Marinaccio at 5:30 PM on Monday, December 1, 2025 at the Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, New York.**

**The members of the Town Board present were:**

**Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor  
Steve Gardner, Councilperson  
Danny F. Morabito, Councilperson  
Thomas J. Burns, Councilperson  
Sharon M. Exley, Councilperson**

**Also attending:**

**Keegan Coughlin, Esq., Attorney for the Town  
Wendi Evans, Town Clerk  
Kyle Doyle Code Enforcement**

**Also in attendance: 3 members of the public**

**Town Board Work Session  
Submitted by Michael Marinaccio, Town Supervisor  
December 1, 2025**

1. I am pleased to announce that our judges have found a great candidate for the position of Court Clerk. Her name is Kerri Bennedum, and she has a great deal and years of experience as a court clerk and other law experience, I am asking the board to approve her starting salary annual salary of \$61,000. Start date is January 5, 2026. She has previously booked a 1-week vacation in April, and she will receive a 1-week vacation advancement otherwise she would lose a great deal of prepaid vacation costs.
2. I am asking for approval to appoint Kim Olsen to the Zoning Board affective January 1, 2026. Kim lives in Sunrise Terrace and has a long career as a Licensed Physical Therapist. She was the STA Sports Director for 4 years and the President of the STA for 11 years. She has shown a keen interest in our town, and I believe that she will be a very good addition to the Zoning Board. Kim will be replacing Jeanne Compton who will be resigning after serving on the Zoning Board for many, many, years.
3. I have a proposal to increase our fees for our cemetery services and plots. If approved, the increase will be effective January 1, 2026. Please review the chart that Darrell has provided.

4. I had a brief conversation with Justin Marchuska and he informed me that his Glenwood Road project is on indefinite hold.
5. The Town of Chenango is conducting a public hearing on December 10 to discuss a temporary moratorium on development and construction of solar energy systems.
6. Joel and I will be traveling to Albany tomorrow to attend the NYAOT Executive Board meeting and the 2025 Resolutions Committee meeting that Joel is on.
7. Wendi and I are working on the 2026 Organization meeting which we plan on presenting to you at the January 5 work session

**5:32 PM: PUBLIC HEARING FOR “A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 528 OF THE TOWN CODE REGARDING PARKING ON OLD STATE SPUR”**

**TOWN OF DICKINSON  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson at Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, NY on December 1, 2025 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, regarding a local law entitled “A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 528 OF THE TOWN CODE REGARDING PARKING ON OLD STATE SPUR.”

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the environmental significance, if any, of the proposed local law will be reviewed by said Town Board incident to and as a part of said public hearing.

Interested persons shall be entitled to be heard upon said proposed local law. Communications in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Town Board prior to the public hearing. Persons with disabilities who require assistance in attending said public hearing, or in furnishing comments and suggestions, should contact the undersigned to request such assistance.

Dated: November 17, 2025

Wendi Evans, Town Clerk  
Town of Dickinson

**DISCUSSION:** A resident commented that in 5 years of her daughter living on that street that parking has never been an issue. She visits frequently. If they put a “No Parking” sign it will be a long walk for her to get to her daughter’s house. Supervisor Marinaccio explained that when there is a request this is why we have a public hearing to discuss the reasoning of it. The other resident that lives on the street explained that the reason he would like to see it in place is that in the wintertime the road gets narrower and narrower. It is not even a 2-lane road and there are different utility trucks, garbage, plow trucks. He has lived there for 40 years and has never had a

problem but recently there has been an increase in cars and parking in the street and it has become a problem. It makes it very hard for him to get in his driveway or for any type of work vehicle including emergency vehicles to get by. The residents commented that they try to be very cautious of where they park. For the most part she claimed that there is enough parking space for everyone to be accommodated but this year all 4 teenagers got their own car. The garages are not currently available as they all have belongings in them. There are 3 families that live in the home with approximately 10 cars. Code Enforcer Doyle commented that if a fire were to take place, they would need to be able to get a fire truck/ambulance through there. If cars are parked on the street that could be a life/death issue. Supervisor Marinaccio commented that the board would discuss it further and make a decision in the near future.

**Closed @ 6:05**

**6:05 PM: PUBLIC HEARING FOR “ A LOCAL LAW ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 414 TO THE TOWN CODE ENTITLED OCCUPANCY TAX”**

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**Closed @ 6:06**

## **ATTORNEY**

### **RESOLUTION 2025-32**

The following Resolution was offered by Councilperson Morabito who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilperson Burns to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson, Broome County, New York as follows:

**RESOLUTION: APPROVAL TO HIRE KERRI BENNEDUM WITH A SALARY OF \$61,000 STARTING JANUARY 5, 2026.**

The question of adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows: All in favor. Vote Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0.

Supervisor Marinaccio voting Aye  
Councilperson Gardner voting Aye  
Councilperson Exley voting Aye  
Councilperson Morabito voting Aye  
Councilperson Burns voting Aye

All in favor.

### **RESOLUTION 2025-33**

The following Resolution was offered by Councilperson Morabito who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilperson Exley to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson, Broome County, New York as follows:

**RESOLUTION: APPROVAL TO APPOINT KIM OLSON TO THE ZONING BOARD STARTING JANUARY 1, 2026. TO FILL THE TERM THAT EXPIRES THE END OF 2026.**

The question of adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows: All in favor. Vote Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0.

Supervisor Marinaccio voting Aye  
Councilperson Gardner voting Aye  
Councilperson Exley voting Aye  
Councilperson Morabito voting Aye  
Councilperson Burns voting Aye

All in favor.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **RESOLUTION 2025-34**

The following Resolution was offered by Councilperson Exley who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilperson Morabito to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson, Broome County, New York as follows:

**RESOLUTION: APPROVAL FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT TO  
PURCHASE A REPLACEMENT GRINDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,326.00**

The question of adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows: All in favor. Vote Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0.

Supervisor Marinaccio voting Aye  
Councilperson Gardner voting Aye  
Councilperson Exley voting Aye  
Councilperson Morabito voting Aye  
Councilperson Burns voting Aye

All in favor.

On Motion from Councilperson Morabito, seconded by Councilperson Gardner to approve a **Tire Balancer that is no longer being used out for bid/auction.**

Vote Ayes- 5, Nays-0, Absent-0.

Supervisor Marinaccio voting Aye  
Councilperson Gardner voting Aye  
Councilperson Exley voting Aye  
Councilperson Morabito voting Aye  
Councilperson Burns voting Aye

Unanimously passed and noted as duly adopted.

### **RESOLUTION 2025-35**

The following Resolution was offered by Councilperson Morabito who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilperson Exley to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Dickinson, Broome County, New York as follows:

**RESOLUTION: APPROVAL FOR NEW PRICING SCHEDULE FOR THE  
GLENWOOD CEMETARY**

The question of adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows: All in favor. Vote Ayes-5, Nays-0, Absent-0.

Supervisor Marinaccio voting Aye  
Councilperson Gardner voting Aye  
Councilperson Exley voting Aye  
Councilperson Morabito voting Aye  
Councilperson Burns voting Aye

All in favor.

GLENWOOD CEMETERY – (Proposed) JANUARY 1, 2026  
TOWN OF DICKINSON  
(607) 723-9401 x203 – [ddennison@townofdickinson.com](mailto:ddennison@townofdickinson.com)

**BURIALS**

Veteran – Single	
Plot	\$ 800.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 600.00</u>
	\$1,400.00

Veteran - Double	
Plot	\$1,500.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$1,200.00</u>
	\$2,700.00

Private - Single	
Plot	\$ 900.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 700.00</u>
	\$1,600.00

Infants – All	
Plot	\$ 300.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
	\$ 550.00

Monuments: Markers must be flat - 24” x12”  
Regular Height – No Restrictions – width 3’0”

**CREMAINS**

Veteran - Single	
Plot	\$ 300.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
	\$ 600.00

Veteran - Double	
Plot	\$ 500.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
	\$1,000.00

Private - Single	
Plot	\$ 400.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 400.00</u>
	\$ 800.00

Infant - All	
Plot	\$ 200.00
Opening/Closing	<u>\$ 200.00</u>
	\$ 400.00

\*Cremains buried on an existing grave requires written permission from family of deceased

\*Markers for Cremains in Section C - 12” x 12”

## **CODE**

Code Enforcer Doyle commented that he was getting numerous phone calls while on his vacation regarding 225 Lower Stella Ireland Rd that sewage was being pumped out of the basement into the street. 1<sup>st</sup> time he went it was running clear water, and no one was home. He took photographs. 2<sup>nd</sup> time- again there was no one there and it was still clear water. However, a contractor had just arrived. It was vacant. The basement had 4 -5 ft of ground water, and the contractors were pumping water out of it. The individuals were hired to winterize the structure as it is supposed to go for bank auction this month. Signal Source is who owns the property at this time. He called Signal Source as there were other issues that needed to be addressed. No call backs have been given so he will place a citation this week if no calls are returned in the next couple of days.

## **ZONING**

- Nothing to report.

On a motion by Supervisor Marinaccio, the work session was adjourned by a motion from Councilperson Morabito and seconded by Councilperson Burns at 6:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Wendi Evans*

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Town Clerk