November 2, 2026- 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, November 2, 2026, at the Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, New York.

The members of the Town Board present were:
Michael A. Marinaccio, Supervisor
Stephen M. Gardner, Councilperson
Sharon M. Exley, Councilperson - Absent
Thomas J. Burns, Councilperson
Danny F. Morabito, Councilperson
Also attending:
Keegan Coughlin, Attorney for the Town
Wendi Evans, Town Clerk
Also in attendance:
Code Enforcement Officer Kyle Doyle, Public Works Commissioner Joel Kie

5:30 PM: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF DICKINSON FOR THE YEAR 2027

TOWN OF DICKINSON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE
PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2027

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the preliminary budget of the Town of Dickinson for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2027 has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk at Dickinson Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, NY, where it is available for inspection during office hours.

The Town Board of the Town of Dickinson shall hold a public hearing on said preliminary budget at Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton, NY on November 2, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. showing such changes, alterations and revisions as shall have been made therein by the Town Board. At such public hearing, any person may be heard in favor of or against the preliminary budget as compiled or for or against items therein contained.

The following are the proposed year 2027 salaries for the elected officials of the Town:

Supervisor	$35,728
Town Council members (4)	$14,403 (each)

Town Clerk	$60,136
Public Works Commissioner	$87,079
Town Justices (2)	$31,299 (each)

Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 258 of the laws of 2008, this shall service as notice of the exemption report. The report is posted on the Town's bulletin board, is annexed to any tentative or preliminary budget, and shall become part of the final budget.

Interested persons shall be entitled to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget or any portion thereof. 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. Communications in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Town Board prior to the public hearing.

Dated: October 14, 2026

Wendi Evans, Town Clerk
Town of Dickinson

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT
NOVEMBER WORK SESSION REPORT

2027 TOWN OF DICKINSON BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

Expenses:

- There will be an overall 5% salary increase for all town employees to keep up with the cost of living.
- The cost of health insurance will increase by 13.58% in 2027
- NYSLRS has estimated an annual increase in our retirement cost of 17% for the Town in 2027
- We completed several paving projects in 2026 throughout the town and plan to continue road improvement in 2027
- We completed a drainage project for the storm sewer on N. Broome Street. We've completed curb projects on Linda Dr. and Lawson Ct. to mitigate drainage.
- We've completed our water infrastructure projects in 2026 for Upper Taft and N. Broome Streets. We're preparing continued water infrastructure projects on Market St., N. Louisa, and Taft Ave. in 2027.

Revenue:

- Small increase in property tax for the general fund at 1.9% which keeps us well within the NYS Tax Cap Limit.

- Sales tax budget is projected to increase by 3% in 2027

- The Water/Sewer Department tools allow us to help water customers find water leaks quicker. We can create reports for daily water usage up to 30 days and hourly usage which helps find continuous water consumption.

- The Town has been investing surplus money in a government approved account with an estimated income of $45,000 in 2027
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- The Town has been collecting hotel/motel occupancy tax beginning in 2026 and will continue into 2027 with estimated income of $90,000.00.

Summary:

The bottom line is that the Town of Dickinson remains one of the lowest taxed towns in Broome County while continuing to keep our town well maintained and offer many great services that our residents expect from their town.

We will continue to seek out ways of saving money through shared services, more efficient operations and increasing our tax base through new developments, both residential and commercial.

Our staff is to be congratulated for their hard work and dedication to the town and its residents.

Our town board continues to do a great job in maintaining our town in an efficient and effective manner while keeping our spending as low as possible.

Public Hearing closed @ 5:40

DISCUSSION: The board discussed the 4% CPI increase for the Prospect Terrace Fire Company Fire Contract which came to an additional a Public Hearing will be held November 9, 2026 @ 6:00 PM.

ATTORNEY

Nothing to comment on

PUBLIC WORKS

- Commissioner Kie commented that we are continuing with leaf pickup and this will be the last week for yard waste.
- Councilperson Morabito commented that we have received the skid-steer that was purchased.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

- Officer Doyle explained that they held an MS4 meeting last week that went very well and was very informative.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion from Councilperson Gardner and seconded by Councilperson Burns at 5:52 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Wendi Evans
Town Clerk