

**Town of Galen  
Town Council Monthly Meeting Minutes  
Monday – April 13, 2026 – at 6:00 PM  
Clyde Municipal Building Board Room**

**Present;** Supervisor Les Carr Jr.  
Council Members; Mike Record, Jeff Montemorano, Nicole Malbone  
Absent; Sarah Salerno  
Town Clerk; Norma Lancaster, HW Supt. Andy Porter  
**Attending:** Warren Leisenring Jr., Dan Dapolito

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Town Council meeting was called to order by Supervisor Carr at 6:00PM.

**Public Comment Period** – Warren Leisenring Jr. asked if the board had made any decisions on whether they are going to allow his book to be used for the Town of Galen Assessment Review board for training purposes. He is asking the town board to purchase copies of his book for that board.

After a long discussion on what was presented and discussed at the March 2026 meeting.

**Motion** by; Montemorano 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Malbone for the Galen Board to supply the Galen Grievance Board with Warren Leisenring Jr.'s training book on the grievance process. Councilman Montemorano stated he would like the “Assessors/Real Property Directors etc.” struck out on the front cover. This book to be a training guidance tool only.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**Scheduled Speaker** – No scheduled speakers

**Assessment**

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to acknowledge the Assessment sales report submitted by Vince Fischer for the month of March.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**Cemetery and Animal Control**

Announced that the Wayne County Humane Society is now open at their new location with a ribbon cutting in the near future.

**Collateral Security Reports** – LNB – March 2026

Motion by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to acknowledge the collateral report.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record

**Correspondence** –

D.E.C. Possible Acquisition of Land/Town Approval

Email from Mark Devito asking for monetary support for the kids fishing derby in May and for the River Rock Festival in June.

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to allocate \$250 to the fishing derby as budgeted. This donation to be for prizes.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

At this time the board decided to wait on any donations to the River Rock Festival as it stated in the email, "donations for St Jude". Any donations the board would make would be for the residents within Galen/Clyde.

There was a short discussion on the letter received from the D.E.C. regarding the acquisition of land on River Road owned by "Wetlands America Trust" (Ducked Unlimited). This would move the properties to exempt status. Although they are looking for the Galen Boards approval, it is believed that they would probably purchase the land with or without the Town's approval.

#### **Financials –**

**Motion** by; Montemorano 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to acknowledge and enter to the minutes the annual Audit reports for the Town Clerk and the Tax Collection submitted by Allied Associates.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

#### **Highway and Buildings**

HW Superintendent Porter here to present his report as follows;

##### Town of Galen Highway report 4-13-2026

- 7 plow/sand runs were made in the month of March
- 138 total runs for the season
- Last years total was 124 runs
- The grader transmission has been repaired and the grader is ready to be back in service. All work was completed ourselves.
- Brush mowing is completed for the season with the entire south side of the town being mowed in the last two years.
- Working on drainage issues in several places throughout the town.
- Plow damage in yards has been cleaned up
- Roads have been swept of sand and salt
- Several potholes have been patched with exception of larger areas that will require more extensive repairs. These areas will be addressed soon.

**Motion** By; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Montemorano to enter the March Highway report to the minutes.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

The Highway Superintendent would like to surplus an arc welder and a parts washer as neither is in working order and is no longer needed. These items to be added to the list for the May meeting for surplus of equipment.

Supt. Porter also stated that he will utilize Wayne County Highway Department for the road side spraying as he did last year with hopes to keep the road side weeds under control.

Also stated that the excavator has been repaired at a cost of \$5241.12.

**Justice**

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Salerno to accept the two justice reports submitted by that department for the month of March.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**TOWN OF GALEN RESOLUTION FOR 2025 COURT AUDIT**

**Resolution No. 7-2026** The Town of Galen Board acknowledges the annual audit report for the Town of Galen Justice records for 2025 for Justice Carr and Justice Heald. The audit was completed March 28, 2026 by Atette & Ingersoll, CPAs, PC. The report indicated that the records of both justices were found to be adequate to fulfill the record keeping requirements according to New York State Laws.

**Motion** by; Malbone /2<sup>nd</sup> by; Montemorano to adopt Resolution No. 7-2026 independent Justice Audit for 2025.

Ayes; Carr Jr., Montemorano, Malbone, Record

Nays; None

Absent; Salerno

Adopted this day of April 13, 2026

Norma Lancaster

Galen Town Clerk

**Landfill –**

The next Landfill meeting is scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 in the Galen Board Room at 1:00pm.

**Review and Adopt Minutes**

Galen Board Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2026

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to accept the minutes as submitted.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**Other information for this meeting;**

The town wide clean up is scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> at the municipal parking lot.

**Revenues Received –**

Charter Communications – Franchise Fee - \$3600.25

Anderson VanHorne – Refund for removal of Schoolhouse - \$21.09

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Carr to enter the revenues to the minutes.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**Supervisor**

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to accept the Supervisor's report as submitted for the month of March.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**Town Clerk**

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Montemorano to accept the Town Clerk's regular report and tax collection report as submitted for the month of March.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Record

The Town Clerk announced a new Ag & Markets law that was passed in January of 2026, taking effect on January 30<sup>th</sup> of 2026 making a state law for Town Clerk's to put a line on the dog renewals that asks for a donation for our local animal shelter. The proceeds will be paid out to the Wayne County Humane Society annually.

**Zoning**

**Motion** by; Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by; Record to accept the zoning report as submitted for the month of March.

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

**Review and Approve Warrants – April 2026**

**General Warrant:** V# 60 – 80 in the amount of \$18,473.33

**Highway Warrant:** V# 62 - 75 in the amount of \$17,269.99

**Landfill Warrant:** V# 75 in the amount of \$4,338.70

**Motion** by; Record 2<sup>nd</sup> Malbone to approve payment for the (3) warrants

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

At this time Councilperson Nicole Malbone wanted to recognize Frank Sebastiano for his years of service on the Galen Town Board. Mr. Sebastiano recently passed away.

With no further business before the board a **Motion** made by Malbone 2<sup>nd</sup> by Montemorano to adjourn the meeting at 7:20pm

Ayes; Carr, Montemorano, Record, Malbone

Respectfully submitted,  
Norma Lancaster – Galen Town Clerk