

**TOWN OF BLACK BROOK
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 10th, 2026**

The meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance to the flag at 6:00 PM by Supervisor Jon Douglass.

ROLL CALL TAKEN:

<u>MEMBERS:</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Jon Douglass, Supervisor	X	
Ronald Wilkins, Councilman	X Late	
James Seguin, Councilman	X	
William Rhino, Jr., Councilman	X	
Stephen Bombard, Councilman	X	
Dennis Bushey, Town Clerk	X	
Michael Plumadore, Highway Superintendent	X	
Fred Drake Jr., Water Superintendent/Maintenance	X	
Jessie Douglass	X	
Derrick Martineau, Code Enforcement	X	
Renee Rhino, JCEO	X	
<u>Visitors in Attendance:</u> Dan Depo, Ralph Schissler, Bob Haywood, Alisa Conley, Brittany Plumadore and Chelsea Sprague		

Visitors Via Zoom: None

A motion was made by Councilman Rhino to accept the minutes of the July 13th, 2026, town board meeting, Seconded by Supervisor Douglass and All in Favor.

The supervisors Financial Report for Period Ending 07/31/2026 was presented to The Board.

Visitor Comments:

Chelsea Sprague gave a report on the Patriot Youth Program for this year to the board.

Bob Haywood addressed the board concerning the recent board decision to have retirees contribute to their health insurance payment. He felt that one of the board members who voted to have the retirees pay for health insurance was not a valid vote. The reason being that he felt that the board member had recently had health issues and was not thinking clearly. After listening to Mr. Haywood and having a discussion with him, the board agreed that their vote did not change. A quorum was met at the time of the vote to have retirees contribute to health insurance and all board members agreed that their vote was to remain the same.

Monthly Reports

A motion was made by Supervisor Douglass to accept all the monthly reports and was seconded by Councilman Wilkins. All in Favor

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Renee Rhino gave the monthly report for the JCEO program. All is going well currently. Back to school supplies must be requested by this Thursday and the fresh food program and community cares shelves remain very active.

NEW BUSINESS: -

A motion was made by Supervisor Douglass to accept Resolution 2026-64 adopting The Town of Black Brook Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan and seconded by Councilman Rhino.

Roll call Vote as Follows:

Councilman Ronald Wilkins – Yes

Supervisor Jon Douglass-Yes

Councilman William Rhino Jr- Yes

Councilman James Sequin –Yes

Councilman Stephen Bombard – Yes

Motion was Carried.

The resolution is on file in The Town Clerks Office

Supervisor Douglass notified the board that a cemetery revival community service event will be held at the Black Brook Presbyterian Cemetery on August 15, 2026, from 9 AM until Noon. Anyone interested in helping is urged to attend.

Supervisor Douglass advised the board that a Sales tax check has been received from Clinton County in the amount of \$16,332.00.

A motion was made by Councilman Rhino and seconded by Councilman Sequin to accept resolution #2026-65 as presented for Acceptance of the annual audit of the supervisor's records.

Roll call Vote as Follows:

<i>Councilman Ronald Wilkins – Yes</i>	<i>Supervisor Jon Douglass-Yes</i>
<i>Councilman William Rhino Jr- Yes</i>	<i>Councilman James Sequin –Yes</i>
<i>Councilman Stephen Bombard – Yes</i>	<i>Motion was Carried.</i>

The resolution is on file in The Town Clerks Office.

A motion was made by Councilman Rhino and seconded by Councilman Wilkins to accept Resolution #2026-66 authorizing use of FEMA funds held in NYCLASS for culvert project payments

Roll Call Vote as Follows

<i>Councilman Ronald Wilkins – Yes</i>	<i>Supervisor Jon Douglass-Yes</i>
<i>Councilman William Rhino Jr- Yes</i>	<i>Councilman James Sequin –Yes</i>
<i>Councilman Stephen Bombard – Yes</i>	<i>Motion was Carried.</i>

The resolution is on file in The Town Clerks Office.

A motion was made by Supervisor Douglass and seconded by Councilman Rhino to accept Resolution #2026-67 Part 1 of the Fern Lake Right of way Revision – 211 Narrows Road.

Roll Call Vote as Follows

Councilman Ronald Wilkins – Yes Supervisor Jon Douglass-Yes

Councilman William Rhino Jr- Yes Councilman James Sequin –Yes

Councilman Stephen Bombard – Yes Motion was Carried.

The resolution is on file in The Town Clerks Office.

A motion was made by Councilman Rhino and seconded by Supervisor Douglass to accept Resolution #2026-68 as presented SEQRA Negative Declaration – 211 Narrows Road Fern Lake Right of Way Revision.

Roll Call Vote as Follows

Councilman Ronald Wilkins – Yes Supervisor Jon Douglass-Yes

Councilman William Rhino Jr- Yes Councilman James Sequin –Yes

Councilman Stephen Bombard – Yes Motion was Carried.

The resolution is on file in The Town Clerks Office.

A motion was made by Supervisor Douglass and seconded by Councilman Rhino to accept Resolution #2026-69 as presented Authorizing the Supervisor to Accept Link2Pump Fuel Management Hardware and Software Proposal.

Roll Call Vote as Follows

Councilman Ronald Wilkins – Yes Supervisor Jon Douglass-Yes

Councilman William Rhino Jr- Yes Councilman James Sequin –Yes

Councilman Stephen Bombard – Yes Motion was Carried.

The resolution is on file in The Town Clerks Office.

OLD BUSINESS

FEMA projects- Are all finished.

It was noted that the Town Board needs to meet and review the employee handbook. A meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 28, 2026, at 1 PM.

Planning board has still not received the items it asked for from the Au Sable Dental Office concerning their addition.

Nothing new on the replacement or repair of the sewer meter usage for the Town of Black Brook at the sewage treatment plant.

A Local Law for Volunteer EMS personnel a tax exemption is still in the works and will be finished soon.

Nothing on the Water Meters yet.

Water 1 Well #3 is still not tested by the engineers. They are still working on it.

Supervisor Douglass gave a short synopsis of the Local Supervisors meeting with AVCS.

Alisa Conley gave a big thank you to the Town of Black Brook Highway Dept. concerning their care of the highways. She says they are doing a great job.

The next regular meeting will be held on September 14th, 2026 at 6:00 PM at The Town Hall at 18 North Main Street in Au Sable Forks, NY 12912.

Councilman Rhino made a motion to adjourn at 7:15 PM , seconded by Supervisor Douglass with all in favor.

Dennis Bushey, Town Clerk