

Warren County Board of Supervisors

BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY JULY 17, 2026



Please note that the following is a summarization of the Board Meeting; the meeting, in its entirety, can be viewed using the following links:

Warren County website: <https://www.warrencountyny.gov/MMA>

Warren County's YouTube Channel - Part 1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oXsxJ7WfSs8>

Part 2 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5j4fIH1qBv4>

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren convened at the Supervisors' Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Lake George, New York, at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Kevin B. Geraghty presiding.

Salute to the flag was led by Chairman Geraghty.

Roll called, the following members present:

Supervisors Conover, Maday, Diamond, Gilligan, Bruno, Driscoll, Patchett, Butler, Goodspeed, Crocitto, Niles, Wild, Etu, Strainer, Beaty, O'Neill, Runyon and Geraghty - 18; Absent - Supervisors Turner and Strough.

Proceeding with the Agenda review, Chairman Geraghty extended privilege of the floor to Elizabeth McLaughlin, *Commissioner, Board of Elections (BOE)*, (D) Caroline Clesceri, Deputy Commissioner, BOE, (R), and Kimberly Ross, Deputy Commissioner, BOE, (D), who proceeded to present a certificate to one of the winners of the BOE "I Voted" sticker contest, noting the other one would be presented at a future date in their office.

Motion was made by Supervisor Wild, seconded by Supervisor Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Turner and Strough absent*) to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2026 Board Meeting and July 10, 2026 Special Board Meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Geraghty called for public comments:

Dave LaPell, *Pottersville, New York Resident*, spoke regarding his frustration with the County for not rectifying the issues on Olmstedville Road (County Route 19) where it crossed the Marshall Brook properly causing it to wash out on multiple occasions over the past twenty years, indicating if someone was injured or killed as a result of a washout the blame would solely be placed on the Board for their lack of action on this matter.

Proceeding with the Agenda review, Chairman Geraghty declared the public hearing on the proposed adoption of a tentative operating budget for Adirondack Community College for the fiscal year 2026-27 open at 10:11 a.m. and requested the Clerk of the Board read the Notice of Public Hearing aloud. Chair called for public comment; there being no one wishing to speak he closed the Public Hearing at 10:12 a.m.

Report by the Committee Chairs (including the Chairman of the Board's Report).

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Report by the County Administrator being given.

Report by the County Attorney was given.

Reading of communications by Clerk of the Board was provided, as follows:

Reports from:

1. County Auditor - Report of Real Property Tax Corrections - June 2026

Letters/emails from:

1. NYS Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation - Advising that the Lake George Club, located in Diamond Point, has been listed on the NYS Register of Historic Places and nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

Reading of resolutions by the Clerk of the Board was announced as follows:

Resolution Nos. 242-271 of 2026 and two Proclamations were distributed to the Board and posted to the Warren County website on Friday July 10th. The third Proclamation was distributed on July 16, 2026. The three Proclamations were:

Proclamation No. 33 - National Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week - July 19-25, 2026; and

Proclamation No. 34 - Parks and Recreation Month - July 2026; and

Proclamation No. 35 - Richards Library 125th Anniversary Day - August 13, 2026.

Discussion and public comment on proposed resolutions was called for:

Supervisor Conover spoke regarding proposed Resolution No. 258, *Amending Resolution No. 478 of 2024, and Amending Agreement with the Town of Warrensburg, to Extend the Termination Date*, indicating he believed amendments to contracts with the municipalities concerning supplemental occupancy tax funding should be handled at the administrative level rather than requiring action being taken first by the Board of Supervisors and then by the appropriate Town Board to make the process more timely and efficient.

With regard to proposed Resolution No. 248, *Authorizing an Intermunicipal Agreement Between Warren County and the City of Glens Falls for the Transfer of Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement Responsibilities to Warren County*, Supervisor Etu questioned whether the County would hold off on executing the agreement until the necessary number of staff were employed to handle the additional workload and John Taflan, *County Administrator*, replied affirmatively. Mr. Taflan noted the Intermunicipal Agreement between the County and the City of Glens Falls would not be executed until a minimum of two additional staff members were hired to handle the inspection services in the City of Glens Falls. A brief discussion ensued during which it was noted there would be challenges filling the vacancies, as they were not highly sought after.

Voting on resolutions occurred; Resolution Nos. 242-271 of 2026 were approved as presented.

Chairman Geraghty called for public comment, but there was no response.

Chairman Geraghty called for a motion to enter into an executive session; the necessary motion was made by Supervisor O'Neill and seconded by Ms. Runyon to enter into an executive session. Chairman Geraghty requested that the County Attorney elaborate on the purpose of the executive session. Kimberly Richards, *County Attorney*, indicated the purpose of the executive session pursuant to Section 105(1)(f) of the Public Officer's Law to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, employment, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. She

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requested that Jackie Figueroa, *County Human Resources Director*, be permitted to remain in the executive session. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to Section 105(1)(f) of the Public Officer's Law for the purposes outlined above, as well as allow Ms. Figueroa to remain in attendance for the executive session was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Turner and Strough absent*).

Executive session was held from 10:46 a.m. until 11:38 a.m. during which Supervisor Butler exited the meeting.

Upon reconvening, Chairman Geraghty announced no action was taken during the executive session.

Chairman Geraghty called for a motion to waive the Standing Rule of the Board relating to the requirement that all Resolutions be approved through the established Committee structure in advance of a Board Meeting in order to entertain a resolution authorizing the creation of a working group to act upon recommendations advised by the Warren County Board of Supervisors regarding ACH (*Automated Clearing House*) fraud. The necessary motion was made by Supervisor Wild, seconded by Supervisor Goodspeed and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Turner and Strough absent*).

Motion was made by Supervisor Bruno, seconded by Supervisor Etu and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Turner and Strough absent*) to authorize the creation of a working group to act upon recommendations advised by the Warren County Board of Supervisors regarding ACH fraud.

Supervisor Wild exited the meeting at 11:39 a.m.

The Agenda review resumed with Chairman Geraghty calling for announcements:

Supervisor Driscoll announced the passing of former First Assistant County Attorney Amy Bartlett, who had passed away recently, noting she had many years of public service to the County.

Supervisor Goodspeed apprised he had known Ms. Bartlett and her husband Robert Regan since law school, noting Ms. Bartlett was an asset to the County and would be missed.

Supervisor Strainer acknowledged Liza Ochsendorf, *Director, Workforce Development*, for being honored by the Tourism Association of New York, as well as Jason Carusone, *District Attorney*, for being selected as 2026 New York Executive Leadership Prosecutor of the Year by the New York Prosecutors Training Institute. Next, he recognized the "Rock the Dock" event for including Warren County Tourism for the allocation of occupancy tax funding for the event, noting the event was a success with 3,100 individuals attending. In conclusion he apprised Cornell Cooperative Extension was seeking participants, donations and sponsors for their annual Dr. James Seeley Memorial Golf Tournament, noting the event was scheduled for Saturday, August 22nd.

Supervisor Beaty spoke regarding Trevor Strader's, *Queensbury Union Free High School Alumni*, play "Trapped" which sold out six shows at the Charles R. Wood Theater, noting he was proud a local graduate was enjoying success.

Supervisor Geraghty apprised the 63rd annual Smoke Eaters Jamboree would be held July 24-25, 2026 at the Warrensburg Recreation Field and he encouraged all to attend.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, on motion made by Supervisor Strainer, seconded by Supervisor Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present

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(Supervisors Turner and Strough absent), Chairman Geraghty adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.