

Minutes of the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

Sandy Creek Town Hall

Members Present: Larry Rice, Frank Dixon, Bill Joyce, Pat Machemer, Richard Machemer

Larry Rice opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

A brief discussion of the minutes of the meeting of July 9, 2025 found that no changes were necessary. A motion was made by Pat Machemer to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Frank Dixon and the motion was passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Correspondence included: Minutes of the Town Board Meetings dated July 9 and July 29, 2025

Bill provided a treasurer's report with monthly expenditures for salaries of \$92.35 per Board Member and a check to Bill Joyce for \$438.66 as Secretary/Treasurer and a payment to EFTPS for \$164.48. Also, a check in the amount of \$78.00 for the purchase of 100 postage stamps. A remaining balance totals \$9,718.41. A note attached to the financial report also states that the Village of Sandy Creek will deposit their contribution to the planning board's budget of \$3,077.20 in the month of September.

Bill stated that he will be working on a budget for 2026 to be presented to the Town Board at their September meeting. He will have the proposed budget available for review by the Planning Board at their next meeting, September 3, 2025.

The Board then participated in a Tug Hill Commission workshop titled "Regulating Short Term Rentals" as part of the annual requirement for training for the Board. The workshop was very informative. It highlighted the litigious nature of the process in moving forward towards a local law to regulate the industry. Many dwellings purchased specifically with the intent of using the property as a rental represents a considerable investment. Therefore, individuals have been reluctant to accept regulations. Bill will discuss the potential for regulation with both the Town and Village Boards. The workshop is credited with providing the Board with 1.5 hours of training towards the 4 hour requirement. Copies of the signed Training Registration sheet will be provided to the Town Clerk and Village Clerk for their files.

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Richard Machemer to adjourn, seconded by Larry Rice. All voted in the affirmative and the motion carried. The Planning Board adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Bill Joyce, Secretary/Treasurer