Town of St. Armand Special Board Meeting Thursday, November 6, 2025 – 5:30 pm 2026 Town Budget 2026 Water and Sewer Rates

These Public Hearing Meeting Minutes were approved by the St. Armand Town Board on

Public Hearings for the Town of St. Armand were held on the above date and time at the Town Hall, 1702 NYS Route 3, Bloomingdale, NY, and virtually on-line.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Town Supervisor Davina Thurston, Deputy Supervisor Karl Law, Councilperson Sheridan Swinyer, Councilperson Donna Whitelaw and Councilperson JP O'Neil were all in attendance. A quorum of the Board was in attendance.

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Town Clerk Raine DeLancett.

GUESTS FROM THE COMMUNITY: Ray Tempestilli from the community.

Supervisor Thurston called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm, and asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Notice was posted regarding the date and times of this Special Board meeting.

Supervisor Thurston asked Town Clerk Raine DeLancett to read the Public Notice aloud.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand, Essex County, New York will conduct a SPECIAL BOARD MEETING in person and virtually on Thursday November 6th, 2025 beginning at 5:30 pm, at the Town of St. Armand Town Hall, 1702 NYS Route 3, Bloomingdale, NY 12913. The purpose of the meeting is to adopt the 2026 Budget in addition discussion of a BOND and any other Town business.

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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Supervisor Thurston stated that she had not received any written or verbal complaints regarding the 2026 Budget or the 2026 Water and Sewer rates. Supervisor Thurston asked Town Clerk Raine DeLancett if she had received any written or verbal complaints regarding the 2026 Budget or the 2026 Water and Sewer rates, Raine stated that she has not received any.

RESOLUTIONS #61-#62

RESOLUTION # 61 OF 2025 ADOPTION OF THE TOWN OF ST. ARMAND'S TOWN BUDGET FOR 2026

Councilperson Sheridan Swinyer, who moved its adoption, offered the following Resolution:

WHEREAS a Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025, with regards to the Town of St. Armand's Preliminary Budget for 2025, and there were no objections brought forward.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of St. Armand hereby authorizes the adoption of the 2025 Town Budget with a tax levy of all funds and districts in the amount of \$ 1,059,319.00.

THIS RESOLUTION was duly seconded by Councilperson Donna Whitelaw, and adopted by Roll Call Vote as follows:

Supervisor Davina Thurston	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Karl Law	AYE
Councilperson Sheridan Swinyer	AYE
Councilperson Donna Whitelaw	AYE
Councilperson JP O'Neil	AYE

Dated: November 06, 2025

Raine DeLancett St. Armand Town Clerk

RESOLUTION # 62 OF 2025 ADOPTION TOWN OF ST. ARMAND TOWN BOARD

OF THE WATER & SEWER RATES FOR 2026 FOR THE TOWN OF ST. ARMAND

Deputy Supervisor Karl Law, who moved its adoption, offered the following Resolution:

WHEREAS a Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 with regards to the 2026 Budget and the 2026 Water and Sewer Rates, and there were no objections brought forward, and

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Armand Water & Sewer District is currently operating on an "On-Consent" Order by the NYS DEC for our SPDES Permit, and some of the cost of this construction and operation must be brought to the Users of the St. Armand Sewer District.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the 2026 Water and Sewer Rates will be as follows:

The 2026 Water Usage Rate shall increase from \$7.58 to \$8.28 per 1,000 gallons. The Water Debt Service shall increase from \$1.62 to \$7.12 per unit per quarter. The Water Improvement Capital Reserve Fund shall remain at .50, and the Water Emergency Repair Capital Reserve Fund shall remain at .50 per quarter per unit for properties that are connected to the lines.

The 2026 Sewer Usage Rate shall remain at \$16.02 per 1,000 gallons. The Sewer Debt Rate shall increase from \$67.00 to \$68.00 per unit per quarter, and the Sewer Improvement Capital Reserve Fund shall remain at \$10.50 per unit per quarter for properties that are connected to the lines.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, in reference to NYS Town Law, vacant properties (lots) where the location of the lot runs along existing water and sewer lines within the Town of St. Armand Water and Sewer District are to be charged an amount determined by the Board for Water Debt service and Sewer Debt service. The Water Debt charge for vacant lots will decrease from \$0.87 to \$0.81 per quarter and the Sewer Debt charge for vacant lots will increase from \$33.50 to \$34.00 per quarter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED these new billing rates shall become effective during the first quarter of 2026, which includes the dates of October 1st through December 31st of 2025, and billed in January 2026 as adopted in the 2026 Budget for the Town of St. Armand.

This Resolution was duly seconded by Councilperson JP O'Neil, and adopted by Roll Call Vote as follows:

Supervisor Davina Thurston	AYE
Deputy Supervisor Karl Law	AYE
Councilperson Sheridan Swinyer	AYE
Councilperson Donna Whitelaw	AYE
Councilperson JP O'Neil	AYE

_____ Dated: November 06, 2025

Raine DeLancett St. Armand Town Clerk

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR CONCERNS FROM GUESTS AND STAFF:

Thurston asked if there were any questions, comments or concerns? There were no questions, comments or concerns.

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Councilperson JP O'Neil made a Motion to end the Special Board Meeting. The Motion was seconded by Deputy Supervisor Karl Law. The Special Board Meeting ended at 5:35 pm.

I, Raine DeLancett, Town Clerk for the Town of St. Armand, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct transcript of the Special Board Meeting minutes held on the above-referenced date.

_____ Dated: November 06, 2025

Raine DeLancett St. Armand Town Clerk