Kortright Town Board
Bid Opening and Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2026

The Kortright Town Board held a Bid opening, CDBG Public Hearing and Regular Monthly Meeting on April 20, 2026 at 7:30pm in the Town Hall, 51702 State Highway 10, Bloomville, New York.

Present: Councilman Micheal Pietrantoni, Councilman Jeff Haynes, Councilman Chad Boest, Councilman Nikki Pickett and Supervisor George Haynes Jr.

Absent: None

Other Present: Highway Superintendent Harry Craft, Liz Page, Antonia Besculides, Lynn Pickett, Assessor Bucky Soule and Jody Doroski

Supervisor Haynes, Jr. opened the bids as follows:

Mowing-

Hitts Landscaping	Total	$10,200.00
Jody Doroski		9,273.00

The Public Hearing started at 7:35pm

Antonia Bescuilides spoke about the CDBG grant application for 2026; the Town is applying for $500,000.00 in CDBG funds for housing rehabilitation for health and safety improvements. Antonia read off many of the items that could be considered (see insert). The public Hearing was closed at 7:45pm.

Supervisor Haynes, Jr. called the Regular Monthly meeting to order at 7:45pm.

The March 16, 2026 Bid Opening and Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes were approved on a motion made by Councilman Pietrantoni and seconded by Councilman Pickett.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

The privilege of the floor was given to the public. Lynn Pickett thanked Superintendent Craft for the plowing this winter but asked if he planned on ditching the rest of McArthur Hill Road; where it is washing out? Harry said he would come and look at it. Lynn asked about the Town website and Supervisor Haynes, Jr. responded it is almost up and running, the board still needs to look at it. Lynn is wondering what is happening to a property located on State Highway 10 that has been abandoned due to the owners passing away; Supervisor Haynes, Jr. answered that we need to wait for the County to do a Tax Auction and added that they haven't done an auction for 6 years.

The Town Clerk's monthly report was approved on a motion made by Councilman Pietrantoni and seconded by Councilman Boest as follows:

Receipts- March 2026	Disbursements
$80.00-Conservation License	$138.92-Supervisor
0.00-Marriage License	75.58-D.E.C
0.00-Certificate of Registration	5.00-Ag. & Markets
22.00-Certified Copies	0.00-Dept. of Health
0.00-Copy Fees	$219.50-Total Disbursed
27.50-Dog License	
0.00-Dog Tags	
0.00- Subdivision Book	
0.00- FOIL Request	

0.00-Junkyard
90.00-Building Permits
$219.50-Total Receipts
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

General bills found on Abstract #4-2026 claims#54-74 totaling $17,297.67 approved on a motion made by Councilman Boest and seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Water bills found on Abstract #4-2026 claims#14W-20W totaling $6,604.02 was approved on a motion made by Councilman Pickett and seconded by Councilman Boest.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Sewer bills found on Abstract #4-2026 claim#24S-29S totaling $7,116.23 was approved on a motion made by Councilman Pickett and seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Highway bills found on Abstract #4-2026 claims#35H-49H totaling $26,735.02 were approved on a motion made by Councilman Smith and seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

The following Supervisor monthly report was approved on a motion made by Councilman Pietrantoni and seconded by Councilman Pickett:
General $379,043.30 Highway $1,136,774.43 Water $31,683.02 Sewer $119,994.99
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

The privilege of the floor was granted to Assessor Bucky Soule, he reported that the tentative roll will be out on May 1, 2026 and will post the dates and time for open book. On a motion made by Supervisor Haynes, Jr. and seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni to accept Diane Lutz letter of resignation effective immediately as Deputy Assessor.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Supervisor Haynes, Jr. motioned to appoint Diane Lutz as Deputy Assessor, seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

No report from the Code Enforcement Officer, Josh Morgan.

The privilege of the floor was granted to the Highway Superintendent Harry Craft. The surplus equipment will be going on Auctions International soon and the truck from the Town of Cazenovia maybe ready in June, we are still waiting on Heidelberg to resolve the gravel issue and Harry is using his personal truck and was told to keep track of his miles. He is also checking if the sweeper was approved for reimbursement on the CHIPS report. On a motion made by Councilman Pietrantoni and seconded by Councilman Smith to declare the 2007 Dodge pickup and the 2013 International as surplus.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Councilman Pietrantoni motioned to have Superintendent Craft determine the accepted price from the Auction, seconded by Councilman Boest.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Communications:

Councilman Pietrantoni motioned to approve the bid for mowing to Jody Dorosky, seconded by Councilman Pickett.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

The Town website is almost complete.

Supervisor Haynes, Jr. spoke with the property owner for the redundant well site and he maybe interested in a land swap with the property behind the Water District Plant.

The Towns Insurance will expire in July with NBT Mang.

Supervisor Haynes, Jr. asked if there is any cemetery restoration projects for this year. There is $6,700.00 left in the Cemetery Budget and the fence and gate still needs to be corrected at Breahead Cemetery and brush needs to be cleaned up at Doonans Corners Cemetery. A Cemetery was located on Hobart Hill so we will need to look at the Deed to determine who is reasonable for the upkeep.

The Town Board received a letter of resignation from Laurie Sanford as a Board of Director of the Catskill Revitalization Corporation, on a motion made by Supervisor Haynes, Jr. and seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni to regretfully accept the resignation and select another person.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Councilman Pickett motioned to have Supervisor Haynes, Jr. sign the contract for Grantwritting Services from Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

New Business:

Councilman Pietrantoni motioned to approve the Water Warrant for May 2026, seconded by Councilman Smith.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

The Board received an email from Carol Pickett regarding the flag pole at the Town Hall and on a motion made by Councilman Boest and seconded by Councilman Pietrantoni to replace the 15’ flagpole and install solar lights on a flag.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

The Regular Monthly Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm on a motion made by Councilman Pietrantoni and seconded by Councilman Pickett.
Adopted: Pietrantoni-Aye, Smith-Aye, Boest-Aye, Pickett-Aye, Haynes Jr.-Aye

Kristin A. Craft
Kortright Town Clerk