

**DRAFT- SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING**

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Town of Ulysses

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Dec. 30, 2025

*The meeting was held in person at the Town Hall at 10 Elm St., Trumansburg NY as well as via Zoom videoconference. Notice of Town Board meetings are posted on the Town's website and Clerk's board.*

*Video recordings of meetings are available on Youtube at  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWVIs--q9CpH1xdk9YxZyPw>.*

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Ms. Olson called the meeting to order at 9:33am.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**TOWN OFFICIALS:**

In person-

Supervisor- Katelyn Olson

Board members- Liz Weatherby, Mary Bouchard, Rich Goldman

Town Clerk- Carissa Parlato

Absent-

Michael Boggs

**OTHERS:**

*None*

**DISCUSSION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR BOARD MEMBERS TO SEEK INDEPENDENT COUNSEL:**

Ms. Olson read the whereases of the resolution below and the group discussed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mr. Goldman moved to go into Executive Session at 9:38am for the purpose of discussing current litigation. This was seconded by Ms. Bouchard and passed unanimously.

Ms. Bouchard moved to end Executive Session at 10am. This was seconded by Ms. Weatherby and passed unanimously.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR BOARD MEMBERS TO SEEK INDEPENDENT COUNSEL**

**RESOLUTION #170 OF 2025: AUTHORIZATION FOR BOARD MEMBERS TO SEEK INDEPENDENT COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses and certain of its Town Board members in both their official and individual capacities have been sued for defamation; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Ulysses has already prevailed in a related action; and

WHEREAS, service of the suit on the individual Town Board members has not yet been completed, but in anticipation of the same occurring soon, the individual Town Board members have requested that the Town of Ulysses provide them defense and indemnification in this action pursuant to Town Code Chapter 14;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Ulysses Town Board approves and authorizes Mary Bouchard, Rich Goldman, Katelin Olson, and Elizabeth Weatherby to seek independent legal counsel of their choice concerning the referenced action, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in Chapter 14 of the Town Code, to be paid for by the Town of Ulysses; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Ulysses will cover any litigation costs not covered by the insurance company through the duration of the lawsuit and any future appeals.

Moved: Ms. Olson      Seconded: Mr. Goldman

Olson	aye
Boggs	absent
Bouchard	aye
Goldman	aye
Weatherby	aye

Vote: 5-0

Date adopted: 12/30/25

**ADJOURN:**

Mr. Goldman moved to adjourn at 10:02am. This was seconded by Ms. Bouchard and passed unanimously.

*Respectfully submitted by Carissa Parlato, Town Clerk  
12/30/25*