The Theresa Town Board held a regular meeting September 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Office at 215 Riverside Ave. and the following were present:

Kristopher Ryder	Supervisor
Timothy Busler-absent	Councilman
Jamie Papin	Councilman
Lynn Brown	Councilwoman
Aimee Martini	Councilwoman
Vickie Karg	Town Clerk
Mark Savage	Highway Superintendent

Others present: Brian Corbett, Jean Side, Steve Side, Rachel Roberts, Pamela Brown, Greg Parmes, Diane Coates, Kat Hunter

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Ryder at 6 p.m.

Reports received and placed on file:

Town Clerk's & Building & Zoning August 2026 report
Transfer Site August 2026 report
Supervisor's August 2026 report- NO report
Judge Savage's August 2026 report

Res. # 56

Motion by: Kristopher Ryder
Seconded by: Lynn Brown

Resolved, that the minutes of August 12, 2026 be accepted as read.

VOTE: Kristopher Ryder-aye, Timothy Busler-absent, Jamie Papin-aye, Lynn Brown-aye, Aimee Martini-aye Motion carried.

Res. # 57

Motion by: Lynn Brown
Seconded by: Aimee Martini

Resolved, that the following bills be paid:

Voucher # 403-439 **Total $ 152,849.99**

General	$ 17,622.23
General O/S	$ 662.41
Highway	$ 4,710.65
Highway O/S	$ 129,854.70

VOTE: Kristopher Ryder-aye, Timothy Busler-absent, Jamie Papin-aye, Lynn Brown-aye, Aimee Martini-aye Motion carried.

Discussion:
Mail and correspondence:
Isabelle Savage:
JCAP grant- Judge Savage is requesting a resolution from the Town Board authorizing the Town Court to apply for the JCAP grant.

Res. # 58

Motion by: Kristopher Ryder
Seconded by: Jamie Papin

Resolved, that the Board of the Town of Theresa authorizes the Theresa Town Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2026-27 grant cycle up to $30,000.00.

VOTE: Kristopher Ryder-aye, Timothy Busler-absent, Jamie Papin-aye, Lynn Brown-aye, Aimee Martini-aye Motion carried.

Jean Side: Hyde Lake Road speed-

- She has a business on Hyde Lake Rd, the road has had a speed problem for quite some time. A lot of trouble with kids, four wheelers/ATV's. DEC has been patrolling the road more and it seems to be helping.
- There are majors turns on that road and 55 is too fast.
- Mrs. Side is requesting that the Town consider reducing the speed limit on Hyde Lake Rd.
- It is a seasonal road, so once it's closed for the season it won't be a concern.
- Kris and Mark state that there is a process. The Town Board can send in a letter of request to the DOT.

2026 Budget preparation:

The Budget is being worked on, the worksheets have been handed out and are due back by September 21.

Lynn Brown feels the Town should get bids for fuel. Can bid it for dollar amount or season price, it should be bid every year. Mark and Kris do not disagree but feel that the service side is also something to consider. Mark states that he has never had to call to have it filled.

Phased approach, maintenance plan, roof in a fiscal year.

Grant applications are very complex and long- application deadline is November 5th.
Strategic planning meeting is on Monday September 14th at 5 pm.

Coopers Corners intersection: Route 37

- Kris emailed DOT, the Town has to apply for a highway work permit.
- Joe from County sent information for improved radar speed sign assembly- will purchase from the DB account.
- Temporary trailer that can be moved anywhere.
- Town of Theresa will purchase 2 permanent speed limit signs. Each one costs $4240/10 year life. It is up to the State to place them- we will get the permit submitted.
- Everything the State does is by the book and takes time.

Library: Memorandum of Understanding

Effective October 14, 2026 – 90 days termination. Will post on the website. Will approve at the next meeting.

CAR: manufactured homes-

- Research has been done; it comes down to whether or not to change the wording. The Board would like to change it to add manufactured homes, give it to planning board and then to the attorney.

Update highway department:

- Surface treatment done, roads done, bills submitted by next meeting.
- Everything went good this year.
- 2.6 miles of road completed (most ever been done), turned out very well, more to do.
- ¾ of Dano Rd to do.
- Already planning projects for next year.
- Unfortunately, it's fall and will be time to transition for winter.
- Small projects to get done, some stuff around the rink, project at the library, Town office has a few things.

Update Park & Rec:

- Basketball hoops were delivered, hoping to get in by the end of next week.
- The courts are ready to surface treat, put the big pipe in.
- Paint and sealed by next meeting.

Theresa Progress Group:

Diane Coates states that the sign at Santway Park is loose- she noticed it while she was pulling weeds, Mark states he will reach out the Village.

She states the Town is the owner of the Veteran's Monument. It was suggested to put a bench up there in memory of a loved one and she feels it could be a liability to have it there. Other measures would have to be added such as stairs and railings. Would like to ask the Town what their thought would be about putting something there. Lynn Brown states to suggest the

Wilcox Foundation to maybe put up a sign or a tree or soil to level it out and landscape it. Diane would love a tank ($75,000-$100,000) to be there, but it is expensive. Kris suggests a bench along the road but that would be a decision for the Village.

TPG Lasagna dinner is on September 11, 2026 at 4pm – 7 pm at the Theresa Fire Dept.

Newsletter:

First ever newsletter was published on the website in August. Check it out.

Lynn Brown stated that there was good feedback and that Chapman Days went well.

Res. # 59

Motion by: Kristopher Ryder
Seconded by: Lynn Brown

Resolved, that the meeting be closed at 7:14 p.m.

VOTE: Kristopher Ryder-aye, Timothy Busler-absent, Jamie Papin-aye, Lynn Brown-aye, Aimee Martini-aye Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Karg
Town Clerk