

Town Board Monthly Minutes &
Charter Communications Franchise Public Hearing
May 12, 2026

The monthly town board meeting held on May 12, 2026, at 56 Geneva St. Dresden was called to order by Supervisor Peter Martini at 7:30PM.

Present: Supervisor Pete Martini, Council; Colby Petersen, Bruce Henderson, Kathleen McGrath, Robert Miller

Others present: George Thompson, Grant Downs, Gary McIntee, Dwight James, Tim Chambers

Supervisor led the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor opened public hearing at 7:35PM on Charter Communications Franchise Agreement, with no one appearing to speak in support or opposition, he then moved onto new business.

APRIL MINUTES: Motion by Ms. McGrath 2nd Mr. Henderson, to approve, carried by all.

ABSTRACT OF VOUCHERS - Mr. Martini presented the abstracts.

Motion by Mr. Miller 2nd Ms. McGrath, that the bills on the General A & B Accounts in the amount of \$ 11,368.34 be paid, carried.

Motion by Mr. Petersen, 2nd Mr. Henderson, the bills on the Highway DA & DB Accounts in the amount of \$ 51395.59 be paid, carried.

Motion by Ms. McGrath 2nd Mr. Miller that the 2nd installment of Fire Contract in the amount of \$ 37,759.20 be paid, carried.

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2nd Ms. McGrath that the bills on Water District 1 in the amount of \$ 27.00, be paid, carried.

Supervisor presented the Map Plan Report from CLP Engineering for Water District # 2.

SUPERVISOR INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION: # 5022026

ORDER CALLING PUBLIC HEARING Considering Creation of Town of Torrey Water District No. 2

On motion of Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Henderson the following resolution was adopted by the Town Board of Torrey, New York:

WHEREAS, previously hereto, CPL has prepared a map, plan and report entitled "Town of Torrey Water District No. 2" dated May 2026, pertaining to the creation of the Town of Torrey Water District No. 2 (the "District"), which the Town Board of the Town of Torrey has determined was prepared in such manner and in such detail to be compliant with NYS Town Law; and

WHEREAS, such map, plan and report has been duly filed in the office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Torrey, New York, and is available for public inspection thereat; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of the proposed water district are set forth in Exhibit 1, attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the improvements proposed consist of the following:

- the installation of approximately 14,500 linear feet of 8 and 12-inch water mains, including a transmission main along Kings Hill Road to provide potable water and fire service to Kings Hill and Perry Point Roads.
- Related appurtenances to serve said District.

All of such improvements in accordance with the aforementioned map, plan and report now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of said Town; and

WHEREAS, the maximum amount proposed to be expended for the improvements necessary for distribution to the customers in the District referenced herein, is \$3,664,000.00, with no more than \$2,050,000.00 of this amount being paid for from a Congressionally Directed Spending Grant, leaving approximately \$1,614,000.00 to be financed through a USDA Rural Development loan at an estimated 5.000% interest rate for a 38-year term, approved by a bond resolution, and repaid by the owners of property within the District; and

WHEREAS, the estimated first year costs of the District to the typical property or the typical one-family or two-family home is \$1,679.00 for debt service and \$950.00 for water supply and operation and maintenance for a total cost of \$2,629.00. The cost of constructing the improvements shall be assessed, levied and collected from the several lots and parcels of land within the district pursuant to a benefit basis calculation. There will be no hook-up fee charged for connections made by the contractor during water main installation. Other one-time estimated costs include:

Water Meter and Touch Pad Purchase Fee	\$ 240.00
Water Pressure Regulator	\$ 100.00
Service Line Installation, ROW to House (est. 50ft @ est. \$20/LF Average)	\$1,000.00
Well Separation/ Plumbing Modifications	\$200.00; and

WHEREAS, each owner will be required to pay for installation of the water service from the right-of-way to the structure using the water. This will need to be purchased by the affected property owner from a private contractor. The homeowner is responsible for all inside plumbing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it **ORDERED**, a public hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Torrey will be held at the Torrey Town Hall, 56 Geneva Street, Dresden, New York, on June 4, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. on said day, to consider creating said District and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof, concerning the same, and for such other and further action on the part of said Town Board, with relation to the premises; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that this Order Calling for a Public Hearing shall be published and posted as required by law.

Motion to approve by Mr. Petersen 2nd Mr. Henderson,

This by roll call vote and signature:

Peter J. Martini Aye, Colby J. Petersen- Aye Bruce S. Henderson Aye

Kathleen McGrath – Aye Robert Miller- Aye (5 Ayes 0 Nays)

SUPERVISOR INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION, # 5032026

RESOLUTION APPROVING ORDER CALLING FOR PUBLIC HEARING

On motion of Ms. McGrath, seconded by Mr. Miller the following resolution was adopted by the Town Board of Torrey, New York:

WHEREAS, the Town Board deems it to be in the best interests of the owners of property within the proposed Town of Torrey Water District No. 2 to pursue the creation of the Town of Torrey Water District No. 2, pursuant to a Map, Plan and Report made by CPL, dated May 2026, and filed with the Town Clerk on May 11, 2026. (See Exhibit 1 attached hereto and made a part hereof.)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Order Calling for Public Hearing, attached hereto, shall be signed by the members of the Town Board of the Town of Torrey and published, posted and entered into the minutes in accordance with Section 209-d of the Town Law and the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to take any and all further measures necessary to comply with the Town Law in preparation for the final adoption of the aforementioned water district creation.

Roll call vote and signature

Peter J. Martini Aye, Colby J. Petersen- Aye Bruce S. Henderson Aye

Kathleen McGrath – Aye Robert Miller- Aye (5 Ayes 0 Nays)

SUPERVISOR PRESENTED FULL EAF FOR WATER DISTRICT 2

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2nd Ms. McGrath to accept Part 1 of the EAF SEQRA

As presented by CLP Engineering carried by all.

SEQRA NOTICE OF INTENT TO SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE TOWN OF TORREY WATER DISTRICT NO. 2 RESOLUTION # 5012026

On motion of Mr. Petersen, seconded by Mr. Miller, the following resolution was adopted by the Town Board of Torrey, New York:

Whereas the proposed project will include a total of approximately 14,500 linear feet of 8 and 12-inch water main installed along portions of Perry Point Road and Kings Hill Road which will serve approximately 70 residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural properties; and

Whereas, in accordance with the provisions of 6 NYCRR Part 617 (SEQRA), the Town Board of Torrey intends to serve as Lead Agency for SEQRA review of this Type 1 Action and will determine if the proposed action will have a significant effect on the environment; and

Whereas the Lead Agency will undertake a coordinated review of this proposed action.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Town Board hereby designates its intention to serve as Lead Agency for the proposed action and will circulate Lead Agency Notice along with Part 1 of the Long Form Environmental Assessment Form and any other supporting documentation to all Involved Agencies. These agencies shall be given 30 days from the mailing of the Lead Agency Notice to consent. Interested Agencies will be given notice, but not required to consent pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.6.

This by Roll call vote

Peter J. Martini Aye, Colby J. Petersen- Aye Bruce S. Henderson Aye

Kathleen McGrath – Aye Robert Miller- Aye (5 Ayes 0 Nays)

REMINDERS: Town Cleanup day is June 20, 2026, here in rear parking lot 8 am to 2pm

104th Memorial Day Observance May 25, 2026, at Village Gazebo 10:30 AM

Timothy Benson Guest Speaker, Mayor Brian Flynn MC, Bill Updike Parade Grand Marshall

Board of Assessment Review is May 28 in meeting room 4 PM – 8 PM

Public information meeting for Perry Point Water District 2 will be held Thursday June 4, 2026 at 7:30pm in the Highway Garage. Notices will be sent out to all residents in that proposed District.

Teams meeting link will be available from town clerk, and a phone number to call in questions during meeting

Jeremy DeLyser Engineer for CLP will lead the meeting.

SUPERVISOR READ PROCLAMATION FOR WILLIAM E. UPDIKE

WHEREAS, volunteering is a selfless act that strengthens our communities, enhances the quality of life, and binds us together as a community; and

WHEREAS, William “Bill” E. Updike aka “Uppie” known by everyone who has had the pleasure of meeting him, is a lifelong resident of Village of Dresden,

WHEREAS, Bill’s daily life is characterized by devotion to his faith, family and friends, his honesty, humility and humor, and influencing countless people by his life of service to our community and,

WHEREAS, Bill has generously donated his time, talent, and resources to support the Dresden Fire Department, Dresden Methodist Church, Seneca Lake Masonic Lodge, Boy Scout Troop # 82 and neighbors; to name a few, demonstrating a profound commitment to helping others,

WHEREAS, Bill has shown exemplary dedication honoring veterans by planning and helping build the Torrey Veterans Memorial dedicated on 11/11/11, and active participant of the Memorial Day Observances for over 50 years, he could be seen placing flags on graves sites, singing with community choir and marching proudly leading the parade,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED the Town of Torrey & Village of Dresden do hereby recognize and honor William E. Updike for his faithful 50+ years of service to the community and extends its appreciation for his dedication to the Town of Torrey & Village of Dresden residents. **BY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF TORREY BOARD 5/25/2026**

HIGHWAY REPORT- Tim Chambers reported new dump truck delivery date has been delayed to fall.

Ordered new public beach storage building 10’ x 12’ to be placed parallel with the bank
Shared service with County on road milling.

Mowing roadsides continues also keeping cemetery mowing each week.

Perry Point Culvert discussion. Met with Yates County Highway Superintendent Doug Rapalee
Mr. Rapalee questioned the size of pipe needed and discussed viscosity levels.

Brief discussion on paint color for town buildings.

Highway employee David Bond handed in his retirement letter, effective July 1st.

Town Employee policy states he is due 100 hours of pay at 80% pay rate.

Motion by Mr. Petersen 2nd Mr. Miller accepting Mr. Bonds resignation and to notify Yates County Civil Service of the job opening, carried by all. Mr. Chambers will notify Yates Co.

CODE REPORT- Dwight James issued 5 permits, 1 Short term rental, 1 C of C, 1 Site Plan Review
10 Building inspection, 1 Fire inspection, 1 Subdivision application, 2 Site review visits, 4 meetings, traveled 140 miles.

ASSESSOR REPORT- Submitted by Stephanie Holtz

WATER DISTRICT 1 REPORT- Submitted by Jayson Hoover

DRESDEN FIRE DEPT REPORT- Submitted by Jeremy Henries Fire Chief

Yates County Legislator Richard Willson updated the board on the new county Project- Repairing or replacing the Yates County Jail. New jail cost is 55-75 million.

Asked if there will be a public vote on this capital project spending.

There is a public vote every year on school budget and school bus purchases, why not on this project that will impact all residents' taxes for years instead of 14 legislator's voting.

175TH ANNIVERSARY TIME CAPSULE- Grant Downs reported they have a PVC Pipe for Capsule, Brian Ellis of Dresden DPW will dig the site for capsule.

Supervisor asked if there was anyone with questions or comments on the Charter Communications Franchise Agreement, with no one desiring to speak he closed the public hearing at 9:15pm.

Supervisor offered the following resolution **5042026**

In the Matter of the Granting of a Cable Television Franchise Held by Spectrum Northeast, LLC in the Town of Torrey, County of Yates, New York

An application has been duly made to the Board of the Town of Torrey, County of Yates, New York, by Spectrum Northeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. ("Charter"), a limited liability company organized and existing in good standing under the laws of State of Delaware doing business at 815 Erie Blvd E, Syracuse, NY 13210, for the approval of a renewal agreement for Charter's cable television franchise for fifteen (15) years commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission.

The franchise renewal agreement would bring the franchise into conformity with certain provisions of the Federal Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, as amended, and certain court rulings.

A public hearing was held in the Town of Torrey, New York on May 12, 2026 at 7:30 P.M. and notice of the hearing was published in the Chronicle Express on April 30, & May 7, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of the Town of Torrey finds that:

1. Spectrum Northeast, LLC has substantially complied with the material terms and conditions of its existing franchise and with applicable law; and
2. Spectrum Northeast, LLC has the financial, legal and technical ability to provide these services, facilities and equipment as set forth in its proposal attached; and
3. Spectrum Northeast, LLC can reasonably meet the future cable-related community needs and interests, taking into account the cost of meeting such needs and interests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of the Town of Torrey hereby grants the cable television franchise of Spectrum Northeast, LLC and the Town of Torrey for fifteen (15) years commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission and expiring fifteen (15) years hence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of the Town of Torrey hereby confirms acceptance of this franchise renewal agreement.

Roll Call Vote: Peter J. Martini Aye, Colby J. Petersen- Aye Bruce S. Henderson Aye
Kathleen McGrath – Aye Robert Miller- Aye (5 Ayes 0 Nays)

The foregoing having received a positive vote was thereby declared adopted.

Ms. McGrath made a motion, which was 2nd by Mr. Petersen, authorizing the Supervisor to sign the 15 year Charter Communications Franchise Agreement, 2026, carried by all.

With no further business before the board, Ms. McGrath made the motion to adjourn 2nd Mr. Henderson carried at 9:30pm

Respectfully submitted

Betty Daggett- Town Clerk

