

Town Board Minutes

June 9, 2026

The monthly town board meeting held on June 9, 2026 at 56 Geneva St. Dresden, New York, was called to order by Supervisor Peter Martini at 7:30PM.

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

Others present: George Thompson, George Dowse, Grant Downs, Gary McIntee, Donna Rae Sutherland, Beth Cain, Ellen Campbell, Neil Holtzman, Terry Button & Richard Willson District 2 Legislators, Frank Busch, Bob Constantine, , John Ghidiu, Mike Pichichero, Fiona Gibson, Phil Bracht, Jim Riesenberger Doug Rapalee- YC Highway Supt. Dwight James, Tim Chambers

Supervisor led the pledge of allegiance.

May minutes- Motion by Ms. McGrath 2nd Mr. Petersen to approve the May minutes 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 \$ 11,141.56 be paid, carried by all.

Motion by Ms. McGrath 2nd Mr. Henderson, that the bills on the Highway DA & DB Accounts in the amount of \$ 27,7952.79 be paid, carried by all.

New Business WD #2 Perry Point= Mr. Martini stated due to the 30 day timeframe for response to the SEQOR Lead Agency letter, no action/decisions can be taken until after June 13th. NO action.

Highway Report: Mowing roadsides. Blacktop a strip across Townline Road due to culvert repair. Replaced culvert on Hewitt. Cemeteries are mowed. Time capsule end pieces are in at Hudson Pipe.

Ordered a 10' x 12' shed for Public Beach storage.

Received a complaint about Anthony Beach Road railroad crossing, he is arranging meeting with Finger Lakes Railroad who does the maintenance along the tracks.

Brief discussion on wages for new highway employees, the rate will depend on if the applicant has a CDL license.

Salt building needs repair. Tarp is tearing at end of pipe.

Discussion with NYS DOT on culvert on Perry Point Road.

Yates County Highway Superintendent Doug Rapalee stated Yates County offers full support to the Town on this culvert project when they are needed.

Discussion on 6' pipe on south project length 72' and add another 20' pipe to align with the stream from the northwest.

Access road development is now on hold.

Fiona Gibsoon inquired if the culvert pipe issues on her property is being addressed.

Mr. Chambers stated it will be replaced with a 6' pipe which will be a benefit to her property.

Code Report: Submitted by Dwight James, 1 CoC issued, 1 subdivision 1 special use application, 2 building progress inspections, 2 short term rental inspections, 1 plan under review, 1 fire inspection, attended Genesee Regional Planning Conference with 5 ZBA and Planning Board members on May 28th. Presently there are 48 Short term rentals permits out. Traveled 222 miles.

Water District 1: Submitted by Jayson Hoover, BACT. T and Chlorine testing per DOH requirements, flushing to maintain CL.

Fire Dept. Report: Submitted by Chief Jeremy Henries

Mary O'Connell of Perry Pt Rd inquired as to why her lot is being assigned ½ EDU charge. It is a non-conforming unbuildable lot.

Mr. James stated if the water line comes through the lot would be buildable, as there would be no need for separation of well and septic.

Ms. O'Connell will check with assessor to see if she can combine her two properties.

Mike Pichichero of Perry Pt Road appreciates the Town honoring Bill Updike on Memorial Day, Bill is well deserving.

Mr. Pichichero has a petition with 5% of Perry Pt residents signature at end of road that would like to withdraw from the district.

One of his main concerns is excavation on an already unstable hillside, a waterline break could jeopardize his home with a landslide.

He also questioned Binghamton Boat Club asking for a reduction in EDUs. Presently it is assigned 4 EDUs.

He then read points from WD 2 first application to Office of State Comptroller, he questioned answers submitted on the application.

Supervisor explained the Town's position on the WD2, formation of this district was requested by the residents.

Frank Bush representing the Binghamton Boat Club stated the club has been in Torrey since 1972. The wells onsite are tested and treated. Water is a major concern and BBC would agree to being charged 3 EDU as their season is May to September each year.

Mike Pichichero asked what the regulation is for assigning a EDU. Is water usage a factor, Supervisor stated no.

Bob Constantine of Perry Point Road has a great water system and does not want to be in district. Running a water line down the hillside may create a erosion issue and many of the residents have large financial investments in their properties.

Fiona Gibson of Perry Pt Road brought in the concern of lumination of her home at nighttime from boats on the lake. Carp fishermen are floating off the shoreline with large lights which glare into homes and can extend out 4 miles on the lake, taking into consideration the reflection off the lake.

The lumens are disrupting the nocturnal animal patterns. She asks if the Town have a law on lighting.

Supervisor will research Town regulations for lighting.

George Dowse, Chairman of Planning Board gave a report on the areas of Zoning Code that need attention. New definitions will be added for clarification. He will complete the updated draft and forward it to Town Attorney for opinion and approval.

Grant Downs and Donna Rae Sutherland gave a progress report on the time capsule project. Site f burial will be at Village Park near railroad on Main Street. He will take proclamation to Yates County Legislators for review and approval. Presented examples of plaque to be placed at burial site stating time capsule dates and to be opened in 2051 on the 200th anniversary of Town of Torrey.

Gary McIntee of Perry Pt Road discussed Data Centers now pulling electricity off the grids. This is driving supply and delivery rates through the ceiling. Presently there is a bill in the senate for the governor to place a moratorium on Data Centers.

Rick Willson District 2 Legislator reported the power plant in Sommerset is going to Data Centers.

There being no further business before the board Mr. Henderson made a motion to adjourn 2nd Ms. McGrath carried at 9:18PM,

Respectfully submitted,
Betty M. Daggett