

## **Village Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting**

**March 9, 2026**

**The monthly meeting of the Village Board of Trustees was held on the 9th of March 2026 at 7:00 PM, in the Auditorium of the Snow Memorial Building, 4917 North Jefferson Street, Pulaski, NY 13142.**

Members Present: Jeffrey Fowler, Mayor; Melissa Wadkinson, Deputy Mayor; Jan Tighe, Trustee and Devon Fetzer, Trustee.

Absent: Shale Holmes, Trustee.

Village Staff/Officials in Attendance: Catherine Spinney, Village Clerk/Treasurer; Dustin Wood, DPW Supervisor; Mike Martin, Chief of Police; and John Howland, Code Enforcement Officer.

Guests: Heidi Tompkins, Ken Trawick, David Rockwell, and Don McChesney.

Agenda Item #1: Mayor Jeffrey Fowler called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda Item #2: Public Hearing for Subdivision of Land Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2026

Melissa Wadkinson made the motion to open the public hearing at 7:01 PM. Jan Tighe seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

There was no comment from the public. Jan Tighe brought up changes in language, and it was agreed the Board would revisit the topic at Agenda Item #11b.

At 7:04 PM Melissa Wadkinson made the motion to close the public hearing with a second from Devon Fetzer. The motion passed with all in favor.

Agenda Item #3: Public Hearing for Rental Dwelling Unit Registry Local Law No. 5 of the Year 2026

The motion to open the public hearing was made by Jan Tighe and seconded by Melissa Wadkinson at 7:05 PM.

There was no comment from the public.

Melissa made the motion to close the public hearing at 7:06 PM. Jan Tighe seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #4: Public Comment

Residents of Hinman Road Ken Trawick, David Rockwell, Don McChesney and Melissa Wadkinson voiced their intense concern over the speeding on that road. All vehicles including

snowplows and Pulaski School District buses have been spotted going over the speed limit on Hinman. It was noted that snowplows were especially identified at traveling at a dangerous level of speed. It was noted that all the roads going in and out of the Village, including North Street, Lake Street, and Port Street, have speeding problems. The Board and Police Chief Mike Martin discussed various measures that may be used to slow the traffic along these roads. Melissa Wadkinson will be attending the Town of Richland Board meeting Tuesday, March 10, 2026, to discuss the Town's snowplows that travel that route.

#### Agenda Item #5: Report from the Tug Hill Circuit Rider

Heidi Tompkis reviewed for the Board the highlights of the March 2026 North Shore and Salmon Rivers Council of Governments Monthly Bulletin.

#### Agenda Item #6: Haldane Minutes and Comprehensive Planning/Energy Board Minutes.

The Haldane minutes were unavailable. The draft version of the Comprehensive Planning Board was available for review.

#### Agenda Item #7:

The motion to approve February 9, 2026, minutes was made by Melissa Wadkinson and seconded by Devon Fetzer. The motion passed with all in favor.

Melissa Wadkinson made a motion to approve February 19, 2026, minutes. The motion was seconded by Devon Fetzer and passed unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #8: Staff Reports

The Codes office has been quiet during January and February and did not have anything to report. Jan Tighe made the motion to accept the DPW and Police reports with a second from Melissa Wadkinson. The Board discussed solutions for discouraging speeding on the roads in and out of the Village. The motion passed with all in favor.

#### Agenda Item #9: Vouchers

Melissa Wadkinson made the motion to approve the updated General Fund abstract for February (\$34,707.61) and March 2026 (\$35,033.83) with the condition that we check the current invoices from Roots Roll-Off Professionals and adjust the amount if billed incorrectly or receive credit. Jan Tighe seconded the motion, and it passed 4-0.

The motion to approve the TA abstract (\$1,583.10) for March 2026 was made by Melissa Wadkinson and seconded by Devon Fetzer. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Agenda Item #10: February Treasurer's Report

Jan Tighe made a motion to approve the February 2026 Treasurer's Report with a second by Devon Fetzer. The motion passed 4-0.

#### Agenda Item #11: Old Business

- A. The subject of building permit fees was tabled.
- B. The Board changed the following in the Subdivision of Land Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2026:
  - 1. On page 22, section B1 another paragraph will be added stating that, “Systems not connected to the Village public sewage system would require a site plan and approval of the Village Planning Board, Oswego County Health Department, and other agencies as applicable.”
  - 2. On page 26, under L “ The Village will complete the balance of the paving,” will be struck.
  - 3. On page 28, at the end of the section, Staged Refunding of Financial Guarantees, “None of the financial guarantee provided by the applicants will be refunded until the Village takes possession of the infrastructure.”

The motion to approve Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2026 with the above changes was made by Melissa Wadkinson. Jan Tighe seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote with Jeffrey Folwer, Melissa Wadkinson, Jan Tighe and Devon Fetzer voting yes. Shale Holmes was absent.

- C. The Board reviewed the proposed Local Law No. 5 of the Year 2026 and tabled any action until the following meeting.
- D. The Draft IMA for Town/Village water sharing was not back from the Village attorney.
- E. The Board will have a budget workshop for the fiscal year on Wednesday March 18, 2026, from 5:00 PM to 7:00PM.
- F. Jan Tighe attended the committee planning meeting for the 250<sup>th</sup> U.S. anniversary.

#### Agenda Item #12: New Business

- A. Jan Tighe made the motion to adopt Resolution No. 1 of the Year 2026 supporting increased aid to municipalities and strengthening New York’s State-Local Partnership. Melissa Wadkinson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- B. Collin Seeley of the Oswego County Prevention Coalition (OCPC) sent an email proposing endorsement of a local company for their safety and education efforts. No decision was made.

#### Agenda Item #13: Other

- A. Thank You notes will be sent out later this month.
- B. There were no closing comments.

#### Agenda Item #14: Executive Session & Adjournment

Melissa Wadkinson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 PM. Devon Fetzer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting will be held on April 13, 2026, at 7:00 PM

Presented & Approved

Jennifer Gibbs

Deputy Clerk