

A REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING FOR THE TOWN OF ROSE WAS HELD AT THE ROSE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING LOCATED AT 5074 NORTH MAIN STREET, NORTH ROSE, WAYNE COUNTY, NEW YORK STATE ON MARCH 17, 2026 AT 7:00 PM WITH DEPUTY SUPERVISOR RICHARD A. LASHER PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Richard A. Lasher, Deputy Supervisor
Phil Torrey, Councilman
Scott J. Converse, Councilman
Jennifer M. Murphy, Councilwoman

ABSENT: Christine M. Rice, Supervisor

ALSO PRESENT: Highway Superintendent Jeff Jay, Code Enforcement Officer Paul Fordham, Chairman of the Planning Board Steve Guthrie, Clerk to the Supervisor Tara Learo, Henry Martin, Dennis Wigfield, Roger Betts, Barb Betts and Town Clerk Ann Gonzalez.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Code Enforcement Officer Paul Fordham had 3 inspections, issued 7 building permits, attended a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, attended a Planning Board meeting, had 1 violation and 1 written warning, 1 after the fact permit, and had on complaint for the month of February. Code Enforcement Officer Fordham wrote a policy for emergency situations that would wave the after the fact fee.

A motion was made Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all to accept the Code Enforcement Officers Emergency Policy. 4 ayes (Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher) 0 Nays.

HIGHWAY

The Highway Department had 28 plow trips for the month of February. They are servicing the broom tractor and would like to start sweeping intersections the third week of March. Town clean-up days will be May 1st and 2nd 2026. There will be no electronic collection this year because Wayne County Soil and Water have a quarterly collection that we will advertise on the website.

WATER REPORT

The Water Department serviced a line leak on Route 414. The water was tested for Coliform and E-coli and both tests were negative. Wells number 2 and 4 pumped a total of 7,688,000 gallons of water for the month of February.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

Animal Control Officer Miller received a call from Code Enforcement Officer Fordham to have cats removed from a residence. The house was being condemned and there were approximately 20-25 cats in the building.

HISTORIANS'S REPORT

The Tour of Honor Banner is in and ready to be placed by the mural on the first of April. Historian Miller submitted an article to Lakeshore News about the banner.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Chairman of the Planning Board, Steve Guthrie, reported the moratorium is close to over and there is nothing that can be written that could stop the solar battery storage project. They can go above the towns "head" with State Laws to proceed.

The Planning Board is still researching to create a rental law for landlord inspections.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Assessor, Kathleen Davis, reported "The 2026 town-wide revaluation has been completed. The Equalization rate is 100%. 1347 notices were mailed. 19 properties requested information. There have been no additional requests.

2025 Assessed value: 209,914,310

2026 Assessed Value: 257,408,887 (This number is preliminary and could change) increase 47,494,877

2025 Taxable Value 166,043,522

2026 Taxable Value 205,669,624 (This number is preliminary and could change) increase 39,626,102"

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Paid to the Supervisor for General Fund	\$1,350.25
Paid to NYS Population Fund	16.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,366.25

Clerk Gonzalez requested a budget modification for the preservation of a vital records book containing Birth and Death Certificates. She corresponded with the company Kofile, a business previously used for past preservation for vital records documentation, to refurbish and digitize a book in bad condition. The cost for both procedures would be \$1,079.70.

RESOLUTION 13-2026

On motion of Councilman Converse, second by Councilwoman Murphy and agreed upon by all the following Resolution was,

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher
	Nays	0	

RESOLVED, to move \$1,079.70 from A1990.4 Special Contingent, to A1460.4 Records Manage to refurbish and digitize the vital records book.

RESOLUTION 14-2026

On motion of Councilwoman Murphy, second by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all the following Resolution was,

ADOPTED	Ayes	4	Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher
	Nays	0	

RESOLVED, to send Clerk Gonzalez to the New York State Town Clerks Association Conference.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, second by Councilman Converse and agreed upon by all to accept the reports. 4 ayes (Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher) 0 Naves.

ABSTRACTS

The RG&E bills have doubled from January to February. Catchpole Road well, which is not a functioning well, costs \$1,321.68 monthly. The board discussed alternate energy source and the insulation of the well to keep costs down. The topic was tabled.

RESOLUTION 15-2026

On motion of Councilman Torrey, second by Councilwoman Murphy and agreed upon by all, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher
 Nays 0

RESOLVED, that the bills contained on Abstract number 3 have been review by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Fund	Vouchers numbers	Total
General	67-94	\$13,162.92
Highway	31-43	53,399.92
Water	34-48	18,817.19
Street Lighting Dist. #1	3	1,037.99
Street Lighting Dist.#2	3	806.99
TOTAL		\$87,225.01

MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Torrey, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and agreed upon by all to accept the minutes as written. 4 ayes (Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher) 0 Neyes.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all to accept the February 2026 Supervisor’s as submitted. 4 ayes (Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher) 0 Neyes.

OLD BUSINESS

Sewer feasibility study

Tabled until next meeting.

Electrical update

Bates Electric will be at the Town Hall the first week of April for repairs.

Bathroom update

Construction of both bathrooms will start March 20th and 21st.

Donated services

Councilwoman Murphy spoke to the town’s lawyer about the legality of donated services. The lawyer said it was ok as long as we have documentation of the quote and we agree to the donated services. Both parties must sign the document.

Security

Tabled until the town can speak to IT.

NEW BUSINESS

Justice Check

The Town of Rose will new be receiving a check from Justice when a defensive driving course is completed.

RESOLUTION 16-2026

On motion of Councilwoman Murphy, second by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher
 Nays 0

RESOLVED, to add revenue to fund A2610 to increase by \$187.50.

Finance School

RESOLUTION 17-2026

On motion of Councilwoman Murphy, second by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 4 Murphy, Converse, Torrey, Lasher
 Nays 0

RESOLVED, to send Clerk to the Supervisor Learo, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilman Lasher, and councilman Torry to Finance and Personal School in Canandaigua for \$250.00 per attendee.

Establishing a second monthly meeting

Councilwoman Murphy suggested having a separate meeting to discuss policies and procedures as to not take up so much time during regular Board meetings. The board discussed and decided to have occasional workshops to discuss other matters. A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all to have a Policies and Procedures Workshop on April 7,2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Sexual Harassment training

All employees need to take the yearly sexual harassment training. Clerk to the Supervisor Learo encouraged all employees to update their emails and phone numbers to stay connected for upcoming advents.

Handbook

The town will be working with 650 to have the handbook transferred over from Paychex. Clerk to the Supervisor Learo encourages all employees to register online to Paychex Flex.

Flag

Councilman lasher has a new flag for the pole outside of the Town Hall. He needs to replace the rope next.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all to go into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilman Converse, seconded by Councilman Torrey and agreed upon by all to come out of Executive session at 9:04 pm.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Converse and agreed upon by all to approve the Code Enforcement procedures for unsafe structures as written by Code offer Fordham.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Converse to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Gonzalez
Rose Town Clerk