

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF CORTLAND
TOWN OF HARFORD

May 4, 2026

The Town Board of the Town of Harford met for a regular monthly meeting at the Harford Town Hall on May 4, 2026 at 7:30 pm. Present at the meeting were: Michelle Morse: Town Supervisor, John Burns: Richard Tillotson: Dawn Potter: Councilmen, Scott Stairs, Highway Superintendent, Jennifer Fox; Town Clerk, Sandy Price: County Legislator; and other town residents.

Councilmen Daryl Cross was unable to attend

The minutes of the April 6, 2026 Regular Meeting were reviewed for information and corrections.

RES #26: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the minutes as reviewed and corrected.

Dawn Potter made a motion to adopt Resolution #26. Richard Tillotson seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye
Michelle Morse – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Dawn Potter – Aye

Bills listed on General Abstract #5 Highway Abstract #5, and Harford Mills Water District Abstract #5, were read by the Clerk and submitted to the Board for review.

RES #27: BE IT RESOLVED that the bills be approved as submitted and for the Supervisor to make the necessary payments.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #27. Dawn Potter seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye

Michelle Morse – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Dawn Potter – Aye

Sandy Price: County Legislator; gave her report, a copy of her report is on file at the Town Clerk's office.

The Town Supervisor reported on the following correspondence:

A check from the Town Clerk for \$93.00 for April fees.

A check from the County for \$1568.07 for fuel.

A check from the Insurance company for \$18,290.42 for truck repairs.

A check from the County for \$17760.28 for snow and ice.

Michelle Morse, gave the Supervisors monthly report.

RES #28: BE IT RESOLVED that the bills be approved Supervisor's monthly report.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #28. Dawn Potter seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye

Michelle Morse – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Dawn Potter – Aye

Scott Stairs, Highway Superintendent, gave his report, a copy is on file at the Clerk's office.

Dana Christopherson would like Lacy Spur to be abandoned. Michelle will contact the town lawyer.

Visitors Comments:

Sandy Price introduced Michael Ponticiello, County Administrator and Morgan Spaulding, Grant Administrator. Michael Ponticiello talked about the ribbon cutting for the new Mental Health Building that opened May 4, 2026. This building

will help meet the needs of our community after being in a temporary building for 20 years. He will also help the town find the right connection in order to rectify the Assessor situation. Morgan Spaulding is looking forward to working with the town to help write grants. Michelle Morse, John Burns, and Scott Stairs will compile a list and forward it to the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk will forward a list of the towns wants to her.

Gerald Smith was upset that the training brochure that the Town Clerk mailed to him on April 24, 2026 did not reach him until after the training was over. Thus, he feels someone slacked off. The Clerk advised him that he could call the County and find out the other dates or he could get an email address so information could be received sooner. The Town Clerk will not be hand delivering information to his home.

Ron Cornell spoke with the Board about the cattle on his property. The Town Clerk will send a template of an animal's at large local law to the Town lawyer.

A question was asked about the sign out in front of the town hall and when it would be fixed. The Town Clerk said the electrician has not gotten back to her. Michelle Morse said she would text the electrician the following day.

Melinda Cross talked to us about the Harford Town Fair that is being held on the 18th of July 2026. She asked if the Town could donate any money towards advertisement and other things needed for the fair. Michelle Morse talked about grants available for this type of event. She would share the information with Melinda so this can be looked for next year.

RES #29: BE IT RESOLVED to approve a contribution of \$1,000.00 to be used towards the Harford Town Fair on July 18, 2026.

John Burns made a motion to adopt Resolution #29. Richard Tillotson seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye
Michelle Morse – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Dawn Potter – Abstained

John Vandewert has agreed to mow (4) cemeteries for the 2026 mowing season.

RES #30: BE IT RESOLVED to approve a \$20.00 pay rate for John Vandeweert for mowing the cemeteries for the 2026 season.

Richard Tillotson made a motion to adopt Resolution #30. Dawn Potter seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye
Michelle Morse – Aye
Richard Tillotson – Aye
Dawn Potter – Aye

Mongaup River Solar requested the Release of the Project Escrow Funds-NY Harford I, LLC & NY Harford II, LLC for the project located at 740 O'Brien Hill Road.

RES #31: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Release of the Project Escrow Funds for NY Harford I, LLC & NY Harford by the Town Bookkeeper.

Dawn Potter made a motion to adopt Resolution #31. John Burns seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye

Michelle Morse – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Dawn Potter – Aye

The Board went into executive session at 9:00 and returned at 9:30pm.

RES #32: BE IT RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Dawn Potter made a motion to adopt Resolution #32. Richard Tillotson seconded the motion.

John Burns – Aye

Michelle Morse – Aye

Richard Tillotson – Aye

Dawn Potter -Aye

Respectfully Submitted,
Dytonya Dapp-Detrick
Deputy Town Clerk

Town of Harford Highway Dept. Monthly Report
April 1st, --- April 30th, 2026

Plow and sand

Helped Richford reclaim gravel pit

Helped Richford spread gravel on various roads

Finished removing plow
equipment/change over to summer tires on all trucks

Started ditch/shoulder work on Obrien Hill

**Installed electric in back part of cold
storage barn/Helped overhead door install door
track/openers**