

TOWN OF ROSEBOOM
TOWN BOARD MEETING
April 15th, 2026

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Roseboom Town Board was held on April 15th, 2026. Supervisor Curtis VanDewerker called the regular board meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

PRESENT: Supervisor Curtis VanDewerker. Highway Superintendent Dan Gage. Councilpersons: Allegra Schecter, Carol Vosatka, Jack Barrett and Steve Gridley.

ABSENT/EXCUSED: None

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: None

VISITORS LISTING: Bob Schecter, Sue Schaffer, Gary Schaffer, Kim Gray, Larry Lamb, Joseph Hadd.

AGENDA: See Attachment #2

PRESENTATION: The Planning board attended the board meeting to ask for guidance regarding what the town board would like them to work on. A discussion took place regarding Land Use and Local Regulations.

MINUTES: A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Barrett seconded by Councilperson Gridley to approve the minutes from the March meeting held on March 17th, 2026. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried.

SUPERVISORS/FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT:

- **Committee Meeting Minutes/Financial Reports:** Supervisor VanDewerker
- Councilperson Schecter and Supervisor VanDewerker shared that our electric bill is only 30 dollars per month due to the solar project, we also received a clean heat rebate check for \$1620 from National Grid because of our solar project. We also completed the installation of insulation and heat pumps, which will drastically reduce the cost of heating in the winter. This is all at no cost to the taxpayers due to grants received, thank you to Allegra for all the work put into applying for, tracking, and executing each grant.
- Insurance Risk Control Audit recommendations have all been implemented successfully.
- Otsego County Hazard Mitigation forms have been completed and submitted.
- The cemetery association requested that the town purchase flags to be put on Veterans' graves for Memorial Day, as they have in the past. The town completed this purchase in the amount of \$188.64.

OTHER BUSINESS/MOTIONS:

- A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Vosatka and seconded by Councilperson Schecter to approve participation in the Veteran Banner project, which would allow families to purchase a banner that would then be placed on an electric pole in the Town. There would be no cost to the town, the highway dept would install the banners. All were in favor, **MOTION** carried. This is like what was done in The Town of Cherry Valley, Deb Whiteman will assist us and will partner with Kim Gray the Historian and Erin Seeley the Town Clerk to get advertised. Supervisor VanDewerker will send a certificate of insurance to National Grid.
- Councilperson Schecter discussed a Flood Resilience Grant that she is starting to work on that will assist with funding for culvert upsizing and replacement, in up to 3 locations throughout the Town. Supervisor VanDewerker and Highway Superintendent Gage will provide the information needed for the Grant. Councilperson Vosatka will assist Allegra as well. The deadline is June 26th at 4pm.

ABSTRACTS:

- General Fund Abstract 04- April 2026 \$3654.53
- Highway Fund Abstract 04- April 2026 \$21,654.80
- A **MOTION** was made by Councilperson Gridley seconded by Councilperson Barrett to approve the **General Abstract(s) and Highway Abstract(s)** as referenced above. All were in favor. **Motion** carried.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dan Gage

• BUILDING REPAIRS

- Lights were installed in the court room.

• ROAD REPAIRS

- Spring work has begun, starting with lots of pothole filling. Today was load number 5 of fill.
- Wet spots on roads have also started to be addressed.
- Started road sweeping, sweeping will be time intensive due to the amount of material that was needed on the roads this year.
- Dan has received 1 quote so far for summer paving, plan is to shim pave (chips) Honey Hill, chip seal Doc Ahlers, Middlefield Rd, and Thompson Hill. The plan is to roll over chips money this year so that Middle Hoose can be paved next year.

• EQUIPMENT

- The spare truck has a computer issue; this is being diagnosed.

• OTHER

- Dangerous trees throughout the town were taken down by an outside company. There is still some cleanup needed from this.
- Dan also shared some information regarding The Frost Law; this is not currently something our town has. This law is needed to stop loggers from using roads during the winter months, in situations where it would ruin the road. We will move forward with enacting this law before winter months.
- Dan also shared information regarding the process and rules for road abandonment. All landowners need to sign off on this to proceed, the state still has access as well as other snowmobiles and other similar recreational activities. Dan will get additional information to share.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT: by Town Clerk Seeley

- The Town Clerk/Collector collected \$57.50 during the month of March. 1 Marriage license (\$32.50), 1 dog (\$5) and 2 death certificates (20.00). The Town Supervisor received a check in the amount of \$34.00 (Check #3218) on Wednesday April 15, 2026. NYS Ag & Mkt's was sent a check in the amount of \$1.00 (Check #3216) and NYS Dept of Health was sent a check in the amount of \$22.50 (Check #3217). Checks were mailed on Wednesday April 15, 2026.
- **Tax season update- Supervisor VanDewerker received all tax funds in full for the 2026 collection year. Supervisor VanDewerker filed the warrant extension paperwork allowing the town to continue to collect during the month of April. The town will still receive a check for penalty payments and the remaining balance will be paid to Otsego County.

ASSESSORS REPORT: Matt Lippitt

- No updates

DOG CONTROL REPORT: Alicia Jones

- No updates

JUSTICE REPORT: Steven Mosenson

- 2026 Court Fees: January-\$0, February- \$118, March \$0.

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: David Bliss

- Not present

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY TASKFORCE: Allegra Schecter

- **Community Solar-** sign up is still open for Residents to join and save on their electric bill.
- **NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities-** The Town of Roseboom received a \$100k grant, and the building

project was approved. First installment of \$21,040 received from NYSERDA on 5/23. Deposit payment of \$11,676.25 made to NP Environmental for the Heat Pump. Deposit Payment of \$12,496 made to Stowell Construction for siding (Majority from NYSERDA first installment, remaining from municipal building reserve savings, which will be reimbursed when NYSERDA money is received). 2nd NYSERDA installment of \$3,960 received on 6/4, paid to Revolution Solar. Remainder of balance paid to Stowell Construction \$17,950 for siding. Remainder was paid to Revolution Solar \$11,126.25. Another NYSERDA payment of \$30,962.38 was received on 12/23. The remaining payment for the heat pumps was received in March; the amount was \$32,643.37. We have approximately \$15,000 remaining on this grant, and the town will work to submit for additional insulation for this.

PLANNING BOARD: Allegra Schecter, Planning Board liaison

- The next planning board meeting will be held on Monday May 4th at 6:30 pm at the Town Barn.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING: will be held on Thursday May 14th, 2026, at 6:30 pm at the Town Barn, located at 126 Co. Hwy 50.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

- A **MOTION** to adjourn the April 15th, 2026, meeting was made by Councilperson Gridley and seconded by Councilperson Gridley. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Seeley
Town Clerk/Collector