

The Regular Town Board Meeting was held March 11th, 2026 in the Benton Town Hall Conference Room, 1000 Route 14A, Penn Yan, NY 14527.

Board Present: Supervisor Thomas Davie
 Councilmen Glenn Quackenbush, Deputy
 Alan Tomion
 Richard Harper
 Bruce Kerrick

Also Present: Bobbi Wolfe – Town Clerk, Jayson Hoover – Highway/Water.

Supervisor Davie opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minute Approval:

Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to approve the minutes from the February 11th, 2026 meeting as presented. Motion was carried.

Old Business:

Yates County Water Units: 12/13/23 12 Units , 12/11/24 8 Units (Too Late for the Tax Bills) 2025 Roll is used for the 2026 Taxes (Yates County Should have been charged 8 Units on the 2026 Tax Bills. Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to send a check for four units (once the tax bill is paid) \$1583.36. Motion was duly put to a vote: AYES: Davie, Tomion, Kerrick, Quackenbush. NOE: Harper.

New Business:

Sales Tax sharing for 2027 will be \$86,445.49.

Race Property: Potential of purchasing a 1/3 acres from Brian Race. The town has a lease (ROW) on the Race property which will end in 4-5 years. This purchase would allow the placement of a salt shed. Jayson explained that he is running out of big ticket items to use the “CHIPS” money, CHIPS money can be used for this project. He also explained that the cost could be \$200+K. Jayson had also talked to Colby Peterson at Yates County Soil Water about a grant, no grant is available as we already have a salt shed, unless you want to build in the pit. Supervisor Davie will contact Brian Race and report back for the April meeting.

Mowing Tractor: Is expected to be here possibly 2-3 weeks

Jayson reported that the highway guys have moved a large pile of brush to make more room in the pit.

Back to the Salt Shed, Jayson asked the board if he should get some engineered drawings ?
Board suggested he wait until he was sure the CHIPS money can be used.

Councilmen Harper - stated that three acres at the Community center was for the health center. Now the health center is not being built there, annexation provision was for that to be built. Mr. Harper stated that the town needs to send a letter to the community center stating this.

Back to Jayson 😊 !!! Water:

Water Tank rehab project: Jayson had asked if Derrick Wolfe Trucking could place a couple of tanks up by the water tower during this rehab. After discussing this with the NYSDOH, that isn't possible due to health regulations. Jayson presented a proposal from Portable Water Systems LLC for placement of a temporary tank to provide 10,000 Gallons capacity with a hydro-pneumatic tank. (Attached to Minutes). 1st 30 Days \$12,860.00, additional rental time if needed at \$215.00 per day after the first 30 days.

Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to approve the Portable Water System during the Water Tank Rehab. Motion was carried (This will take place late Spring or early Summer).

Mr. Harper was concerned about water supply during a fire. Jayson stated we will be limited, but covered. A letter will be sent out to residents in WD # 2 explaining the project. (Clerk Wolfe will contact Stork Insurance).

Town of Torrey: Water District # 2 Perry Point has received a \$2M grant. Back in 2022 a proposal was sent to Torrey for Benton to do their O&M plus billing. There are a couple of changes to be made: Jayson's salary should be \$7500.00, Bobbi's should be \$3500.00 and our mileage is \$.70/per mile. Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to approve this information to be sent to Jeremy DeLyser. This information will help complete the paperwork to be sent to USDA.

Jayson reported that Dale Christensen has spent a lot of time on repairing the road widener and has done an awesome job.

Resolutions:

#6-2026: Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Richard Harper to approve a Public Hearing for April 8th, 2026 # 7:00 PM – Local Law # 1 of 2026 “Establishing a Moratorium on Commercial Solar Collection Systems”. (Sent to YCPB 3/9/26/ for their meeting 3/26/26). Motion was carried.

Monthly Reports & Abstract of Vouchers:

Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the following: General (A) Claims 35-56 Totaling \$9642.35, General (B) Claims 407-410 Totaling \$575.65, Highway (DA) Claims 15-30 Totaling \$19,594.54, SW1 Claims 3-9 Totaling \$709.02, SW2 Claims 11-27 Totaling \$17,641.70, SW3 Claims 8-12 Totaling \$724.52, SW4 Claims 2-5 Totaling \$156.83.

Town Clerk, Assessor, Zoning, Bookkeeper and Highway/Water Reports. Motion was carried.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 PM. Motion was carried.

Dated: March 12, 2026

Bobbi Wolfe

Benton Town Cler, RMC