

The Regular Town Board Meeting was held April 8, 2026 in the Benton Town Hall Conference Room, 1000 Route 14A, Penn Yan NY 14527.

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

Also Present: Thomas Fulkrod – Zoning, Bobbi Wolfe – Town Clerk

Public Present: Attendance List Attached

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

Approval of Minutes:

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

Motion was made by Bruce Kerrick, seconded by Richard Harper to approve the minutes from the February 25th, 2026 Special Meeting as presented. Motion was carried,

Open the Public Hearing at 7:00 PM Local Law # 2 of 2026: Solar Moratorium.

Old Business:

Race property: Supervisor Davie contacted Brian Race on possibly purchasing approximately an acre of land north of the town barn. This will give the highway room to expand. Brian requested that the town quote a purchase offer to him. After town board discussion they decided to offer \$20k plus legal fees. Supervisor Davie will get back to the board at the May meeting.

WD # 2 Tank Rehab: Previous minutes the question was asked if our insurance covers any issues during the rehab. Matt Tette, Stork Insurance responded that we do have coverage for this project.

New Business:

Supervisor Davie had some questions regarding local delivery for farmers during the bridge closure in Bellona. Questions will be asked of Jayson Hoover, Highway Supt. once he returns from vacation.

Salt Shed: We will be checking into “Salt Shed Grants”, see if we qualify. We also need to contact Colby Peterson at Soil and Water for any information he may have on upcoming grants.

Zoning:

Planning Board – Back Up Signer for Sub Division.

Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper approving Steve Hullings as the back up signer for Sub Divisions. Motion was carried.

ZBA Alternate: Tom Fulkrod stated that we need an alternate for the ZBA, he will put this on the town FB page, also needs to be published in the FLT.

Tom also reported that there is a walk thru 4/9/26 @ 9:00 AM for the solar projects final inspection, Aaron Martin and Nathan Horning.

Supervisor Davie asked if anyone in the audience had any comments regarding the gun shop in Twin Oaks. No comments.

John Christensen, Chronicle Express was contacted and will be doing an article on solar farms.

Close the Public Hearing @ 7:25 P.M.

Resolutions:

#7-2026: Motion was made by Alan Tomion to approve Local Law # 2 of 2026: (1) Year Solar Moratorium. Motion was carried.

#8-2026: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to appoint Lori Thomson to the BAR (Board of Assessment Review) for a Term of Five Years, 10/01/2025 – 09/30/2030. Motion was carried.

#9-2026: Motion was made by Richard Harper, seconded by Bruce Kerrick to proceed with sending the New Senior Income Property Tax Exemption Benefit Threshold to 65% to Attorney Graff for a Local Law. (Previous Local Law was #4-2023 @ 50%). Motion was carried.

#10-2026: Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Richard Harper to give permission to place traps for invasive insect box tree months (USDA). Placement will be May or June and removed around October. Motion was carried.

Monthly Abstract of Vouchers and Reports:

Motion was made by Glenn Quackenbush, seconded by Alan Tomion to approve the following: General (A) Claims 57-76 Totaling \$13,772.11, General (B) Claims 411-412 Totaling \$369.00, Highway (DA) Claims 31-39 Totaling \$223,471.21, Highway (DB) Claims 200-202 Totaling \$17,494.30, SW1 Claims 10-12 Totaling \$2799.51, SW2 Claims 28-37 Totaling \$3400.32, SW3 Claims 13-15 Totaling \$6311.44.

Town Clerk, Highway, Zoning and Supervisor Reports. Motion was carried.

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Alan Tomion, seconded by Glenn Quackenbush to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 P.M. Motion was carried.

Dated: April 9, 2026

Bobbi Wolfe

Benton Town Clerk, RMC

ADOPTED: May 13th, 2026