

Wednesday, February 18, 2026  
Public Hearing for Fire Contracts  
Town Board Meeting - 7:00PM  
Tannery Pond

In Attendance: Anna Bowers – Councilperson Paul Heid – Councilperson  
Mindy Preuninger – Councilperson Matt Parobeck – Councilperson  
Jean Comstock – Town Clerk

1. Pledge of Allegiance – Nancy Beaudin
2. Call to Order the Public Hearing for Fire Contracts – 7:01PM  
Comments from the Public – John Donuhue – this is all set; would like to get this started sooner this year, do it professionally.
3. Resolution to Accept the Fire Contracts  
**RESOLUTION # 26 – 26**  
Mr. Parobeck made a Motion to approve and accept the Fire Contracts and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.
4. Call the Meeting to Order – 7:05PM
5. Privilege of the Floor (Regarding Agenda Items Only)
  - Joe Connelly – gave an overview of Code Red; letters going out, sign up on-line; you can choose what messages you want to receive; mailing was paid for with ARPA money and a grant.
  - Adam Pearsall re: DEC Letter – supporting the trail that goes through our property; easement with DEC.
6. Resolution to Send a Letter of Support for Gifted Crane Mountain Trail  
**RESOLUTION # 27 – 26**  
Mr. Heid made a Motion to send a letter to DEC in support of the Gifted Crane Mountain Trail and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.
7. Accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting from February 4, 2026  
**RESOLUTION # 28 – 26**  
Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting from February 4, 2026, and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.
8. Resolution to Appoint a Deputy Supervisor – Ms. Bowers read the Resolution appointing Mindy Preuninger as Deputy Supervisor.

**RESOLUTION # 29 – 26**

Ms. Bowers made a Motion to approve appointment Mindy Preuninger as Deputy Supervisor and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. ROLL CALL – Councilperson Heid – yes, Councilperson Bowers – yes, Councilperson Preuninger – abstained, Councilperson Parobeck – yes.

9. Resolution to Amend Budget for Municipal Court – Ms. Preuninger read Resolution.

**RESOLUTION # 30 – 26**

Mr. Parobeck made a Motion to approve the Budget Amendment for the Municipal Court and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

10. Executive Session:

**RESOLUTION # 31 – 26**

Mr. Parobeck made a Motion to enter into Executive Session and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Ms. Bowers. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

Return to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:40PM – the following appointments were made:

**RESOLUTION # 32 – 26**

Ms. Preuninger made a Motion to approve the appointment of Ms. Shannon Dwyer to the BAR and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Parobeck. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

**RESOLUTION # 33 – 26**

Ms. Bowers made a Motion to approve Mr. Larry Powers to the Planning Board and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

**RESOLUTION # 34 – 26**

Ms. Preuninger made a Motion to approve Mr. Andre Sargent as the Planning Board Alternate and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Parobeck. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

**RESOLUTION # 35 – 26**

Ms. Preuninger made a Motion to approve appointing Mr. Sterling Goodspeed as the Interim Supervisor through December 31, 2026, and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Parobeck. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

11. Warrants

**RESOLUTION # 36 – 26**

Ms. Bowers made a Motion to accept the Warrants and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Heid. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

GENERAL FUND	\$ 49,404.37
HIGHWAY FUND:	\$ 21,919.10
WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:	\$ 135.00
SEWER DISTRICT PROJECT:	\$ 1,250.00
LIBRARY FUND:	\$ 1,185.65
WATER DISTRICT:	\$ 13,323.29
TRUST & AGENCY:	\$ 240.96
TOTAL:	\$ 87,458.37

12. Committee Reports

**Mr. Heid**

- Would like to have a Solid Waste Committee Meeting after we establish the committee as well as others we don't have going yet. I'd like to get with Sterling and get some of the old committees backup and running.

**Ms. Bowers**

- Occ Tax – next meeting 2/25/26 at Tannery Pond
- Comp Plan – 2/11/26 meeting with the County Parks; Ethan Gaddy, David Nelson from the County discussed grants; great meeting; 3/11/26 – 3:30 – 5:00PM, all open to the public as well.

**Ms. Preuninger**

- EDC/Mktg – a lot of collaborating with other committees; support in-progress projects
- Senior Committee – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the Month at Tannery Pond; acknowledge Kim Smith for all her work;
- Applications for Senior Exemption deadline is March 1, 2026.

**Mr. Parobeck**

Sewer – cold weather and snow – everything is still on schedule; committee moving forward with rules and regulations; laterals for existing properties could start soon; working on the transition from building to operation.

13. Historian Report – in packet

14. Privilege of the Floor

- Beth Maher – occ tax timing? Ms. Bowers – updating Rubik at next meeting – rolling applications through April; need to finalize changes to Rubik and application; Mr. Parobeck – deadline? Ms. Bowers – if we're doing rolling applications, there would not be a deadline.

- Chris Heidrich – has the County identified any additional short-term rentals for the TOJ; Ms. Bowers – I do not have an answer; Chris – can we get an answer? Ms. Bowers – yes, we can.
- Nancy Beaudin – I wasn't listening – clarify Sterling Goodspeed? Ms. Bowers – he was appointed as the interim Supervisor through the end of the year.
- Bob Nettle – I've had a long dislike to Executive Sessions; people that come to these meetings and you all dash off to a private meeting to make this decisions; I'm very familiar with Executive Session laws and I don't think picking an interim Supervisor is a reason; it wasn't published who the candidates were; once again the big word in government is "transparency"; whoever gets the long term job of Supervisor better decide to follow the rules for Executive Sessions; don't go into your meeting and not give the public a chance to see what's being done.

15. Motion to Adjourn

**RESOLUTION # 37 – 26**

Ms. Preuninger made a Motion to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 8:00PM and moved its passage with a Second Motion from Mr. Parobeck. With the following Board Members voting in favor of the Resolution, it is carried. Ayes – 4 (Bowers, Heid, Parobeck, Preuninger); Nays – 0.

Prepared by:

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Town Clerk

**THE NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING IS  
MARCH 4, 2026 AT 7:00PM AT TANNERY POND  
PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2026  
WITH THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING**