

Supervisor Cathy Giordano opened the meeting of the town board of the Town of Pawling at 6:00 PM on May 6, 2026 at Pawling Town Hall, 160 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling, New York. Present were councilwomen Snow and Pitt, councilmen Mygan and McCarthy, and Sarah Ryan, town attorney. Approximately 6 interested citizens attended.

Supervisor Giordano opened the meeting in memory of Earl Slocum, who passed away recently. She stated that Earl was a good friend and a pillar of the community. She continued with stating that a lot of things you see around the village, Earl had a lot to do with. He did a lot of good for the community. We will miss him.

MINUTES

Supervisor Giordano made a motion to acknowledge the minutes of April 1, 2026, seconded by councilwoman Snow. Councilman McCarthy stated he was absent for this meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow:	“AYE”
Councilwoman Pitt:	“AYE”
Councilman Mygan:	“AYE”
Councilman McCarthy:	“ABSTAIN”
Supervisor Giordano:	“AYE”

Supervisor Giordano made a motion to acknowledge the minutes of April 8, 2026, seconded by councilman Mygan, motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORT / WENDEL WEBER - SUPERVISOR OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Wendel Weber, Supervisor of Building and Grounds gave an update on the Parks. He stated that the weir boards are in at whaley lake, bathrooms are open at Murrow Park, fishing and swimming docs are in. The swim lane and kick boards will be going in later on. Pickle board courts have been open since the beginning of the month. Two new outdoor exercise bikes were installed late last fall. The robot was used this spring to paint lacrosse lines on one soccer field. As for the Pawling community garden at Murrow park, the two water spigots are now working. The bottom of the boat house is closed in now, giving proper storage for the paddleboards, kayaks and life jackets.

This year they plan to work on the Green Mountain Lake Dam.

Mr. Weber said that they completed most of the Little League list. The trees were trimmed and the fences were fixed at the Murrow fields. They expanded the Dodge parking area and fixed home plate at the upper field.

The golf course had two days of tree work completed. The irrigation project has the second tank online now. The next step would be to work on the sprinkler heads for the approaches and fairways. The golf course opened in the beginning of April. Additional signage will be installed on the course soon.

The Building and Grounds department has been installing floors at the town hall, Lathrop building and boiler rooms. At the Holmes Civic building a wall was built for the oil tank.

They are currently working on the teen center deck project. The sidewalk will be the next step in that section of the CDBG.

Mr. Weber discussed the quotes received for the Lathrop door bid. He thanked Curt Johnson, Engineer and Cheryl Knowles, Town Clerk for their work on this bid.

Mr. Weber stated that he is working with the Tree Board on possible grant opportunities.

Mr. Weber gave an update on the American Legion banners, stating they will start to be hung up in the village on this Friday.

PRESENTATION / SOLAR PANELS

The town board entertained a presentation from Wendel Weber, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds along with Joe Willie and Mark Chipkin on benefits of installing solar panels on five town buildings. The proposed buildings being discussed were the Teen Center, Lathrop, Town Hall, Legion and Highway Garage. Mr. Weber gave an update on the current electrical bills for each of the five buildings and what the costs were in 2025 for comparison.

Mr. Willie discussed that there are currently incentives for the town to install solar panels. There is a deadline for the end of next year. The project would need to be in service by December 31, 2027 to qualify for the federal incentives. The town board members asked questions and agreed to have further discussions.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2026-093 Payment of Bills for the Town of Pawling

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling Senior Account Clerk has reviewed and prepared the vouchers for Town of Pawling and has offered them for review, and

WHEREAS, the vouchers have been approved in accordance with the Town of Pawling policy, and

WHEREAS, the vouchers have been numbered 2026 through 2026, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby accepts the vouchers as prepared and on the recommendation of the Senior Account Clerk and hereby authorizes payment of said vouchers for the Town of Pawling on this date in the amount of \$.

Supervisor Giordano stated that she hopes to have the information for Resolution 2026-093 for the next meeting on May 13, 2026.

RESOLUTION 2026-094 Tax Assessment Revision

WHEREAS, tax certiorari proceedings have been filed against the Town of Pawling by Martine Capalbo, Ronald Caplan and Ivan Cohen in regard to the assessments upon certain property located in the Town of Pawling and designated as Tax Map No. 134089-7158-00-511644-0000 (703 N. Quaker Hill Rd.), Tax Map No. 134089-7157-00-535784-0000 (955 Old Quaker Hill Rd.) and Tax Map No. 134089-7157-00-400962-0000 (11 Strawberry Hill Rd.)

WHEREAS, it is desired to settle the 2024 proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling authorizes Kyle W. Barnett, Esq., of the law firm of Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP, 85 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 to negotiate a settlement whereby the 2024 assessments will be settled in accordance with the attached proposed Stipulation & Order of Settlement and summarized as follows:

Tax Map No. 134089-7158-00-511644-0000 (703 N. Quaker Hill Rd.),

Assessment Roll	Original Assessment	Settlement Assessment	Reduction
2024	\$344,190	\$0.00	\$0.00

Tax Map No. 134089-7157-00-535784-0000 (955 Old Quaker Hill Rd.)

Assessment Roll	Original Assessment	Settlement Assessment	Reduction
2024	\$940,980	\$888,300	\$52,680

Tax Map No. 134089-7157-00-400962-0000 (11 Strawberry Hill Rd.)

Assessment Roll	Original Assessment	Settlement Assessment	Reduction
2024	\$458,400	\$407,680	\$50,720

and Kyle W. Barnett, Esq is authorized to sign such documents as are necessary to effectuate the settlement.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano

SECOND: Councilman Mygan

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow: "AYE"

Councilwoman Pitt: "AYE"

Councilman Mygan: "AYE"

Councilman McCarthy: "AYE"

Supervisor Giordano: "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2026-095

Acceptance of the 2025 Town Justice Court Annual Audit Reports

WHEREAS, the Unified Court Act requires that Town Justices annually provide their court records and docks to their respective town auditing boards, and

WHEREAS, such records then are to be examined or audited by the Town Board members, and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor received the Annual Audit Report from Justice Zelazny for calendar year 2025 on April 23, 2026 and made report available to the Town Board members, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling does hereby accept the 2025 Pawling Town Justice Court Annual Audit Report.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that report is available for inspection at 160 Charles Colman Boulevard, Pawling, NY during regular business hours: Monday through Friday from 8:30a.m. to 4:00p.m.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano

SECOND: Councilwoman Snow

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow: “AYE”
Councilwoman Pitt: “AYE”
Councilman Mygan: “AYE”
Councilman McCarthy: “AYE”
Supervisor Giordano: “AYE”

**RESOLUTION 2026-096
Authorizing Renewal of Liability Insurance Policy**

WHEREAS, the Town’s commercial insurance policy expires in June 2026, and prior to its expiration, the Town Board requested proposals from insurance companies, and
WHEREAS, the Town Board received one proposal in response from Emery & Webb submitted by Account Executive and Branch Manager Lori Johnson and Account Manager Beth Metzler, and

WHEREAS, the Proposal details all coverages and limits for liability, property, crime, equipment, auto, public officials, law enforcement, umbrella coverages, boiler, and machinery coverage, and

WHEREAS, the following proposal was received;

- 1. Selective \$

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling approves and accepts the Proposal from Emery & Webb to renew its commercial insurance policies for an annual premium cost of \$, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all agreements and other documents necessary to give effect to this Resolution, consistent with the terms hereof, all in form satisfactory to the Supervisor and the Town Attorney.

Supervisor Giordano stated that Resolution 2026-096 would be discussed at the next meeting on May 13, 2026.

**RESOLUTION 2026-097
Tax Assessment Revision**

WHEREAS, tax certiorari proceedings have been filed against the Town of Pawling by Lawrence Kalkstein and Pamela Kalkstein in regard to the assessments upon certain property located in the Town of Pawling and designated as Tax Map No. 134089-7158-00-715697-0000 (736-744 N. Quaker Hill Road)

WHEREAS, it is desired to settle the 2025 proceeding.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling authorizes Kyle W. Barnett, Esq., of the law firm of Van DeWater & Van DeWater, LLP, 85 Civic Center Plaza, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601 to negotiate a settlement whereby the 2025 assessment will be settled in accordance with the attached proposed Consent Judgment and summarized as follows:

Tax Map No. 134089-7158-00-715697-0000 (736-744 N. Quaker Hill Road)

Assessment Roll	Original Assessment	Settlement Assessment	Reduction
2025	\$397,901	\$205,790	\$192,111

and Kyle W. Barnett, Esq is authorized to sign such documents as are necessary to effectuate the settlement.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano
SECOND: Councilwoman Snow

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow: "AYE"
Councilwoman Pitt: "AYE"
Councilman Mygan: "AYE"
Councilman McCarthy: "AYE"
Supervisor Giordano: "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2026-98
Accepting the Resignation of Part-Time Clerk to the Finance Office

WHEREAS, Janet Forsyth has submitted a resignation of her position as Part-Time Clerk for the Finance Office of the Town of Pawling, effective May 18, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby accepts the resignation of Janet Forsyth and wishes her well with her future endeavors.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano
SECOND: Councilwoman Pitt

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow: "AYE"
Councilwoman Pitt: "AYE"
Councilman Mygan: "AYE"
Councilman McCarthy: "AYE"
Supervisor Giordano: "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2026-99
Authorizing Budget Amendment Request Letter for Lakeside Park Waterfront Improvements Project

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling was awarded grant funding from the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation ("OPRHP") for certain improvements at Lakeside Park (the "Waterfront Improvement Project" or "Project"); and

WHEREAS, certain aspects of the Waterfront Improvement Project scope of work were revised, resulting in a downward adjustment to the Project costs and have now been completed; and

WHEREAS, to close out the grant process, the Town must send a letter to OPRHP documenting said changes to the scope and overall cost of the Project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby authorizes Supervisor Giordano to execute and transmit correspondence to OPRHP detailing the changes to the Project and requesting an amendment of scope for the grant.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano
SECOND: Councilman Mygan

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow: "AYE"
Councilwoman Pitt: "AYE"
Councilman Mygan: "AYE"
Councilman McCarthy: "AYE"
Supervisor Giordano: "AYE"

RESOLUTION 2026-100

Awarding Bid for Replacement of Entry Doors at Lathrop Building in Lakeside Park

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling is in the process of planning and permitting a public improvement project to replace the entry doors of the Lathrop Building in Lakeside Park (the “Lathrop Building Entry Doors Replacement Project” or the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Town underwent a public bidding process for the Project, pursuant to the requirements of GML §103 and the Town of Pawling Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, three (3) bids were publicly opened, read aloud, and recorded by Town representatives on April 29, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Town’s professional representative, J Group Designs, LLC (“J Group”), completed an evaluation of the three (3) bids received and submitted a review letter, dated May 4, 2026, for the Town Board’s review and consideration; and

WHEREAS, Allegion Access Technologies, LLC (“Allegion”) submitted the lowest bid of \$87,400.00 to perform the work; and

WHEREAS, based on evaluation of total bid amounts and eligibility review from Dutchess County Department of Planning, J Group recommended that the Contract be awarded to Allegion as the lowest responsible bidder.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby finds that Allegion Access Technologies, LLC was the lowest responsible bidder for the Lathrop Building Entry Doors Replacement Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby awards the Contract to Allegion Access Technologies, LLC for the bid price of \$87,400.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby directs and authorizes that a Notice of Award be sent to Allegion Access Technologies, LLC, accordingly.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano
SECOND: Councilman McCarthy

ROLL CALL VOTE:
Councilwoman Snow: “AYE”
Councilwoman Pitt: “AYE”
Councilman Mygan: “AYE”
Councilman McCarthy: “AYE”
Supervisor Giordano: “AYE”

RESOLUTION 2026-101

Authorizing Surveying Services for FEMA-funded Projects at Lakeside Drive and Cushman Road

WHEREAS, the Town of Pawling is in the process of planning public improvement projects at Lakeside Drive (“Lakeside Drive Improvement Project”) and Cushman Road (“Cushman Road Improvement Project”); and

WHEREAS, each of the projects has been allocated funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

WHEREAS, as a part of the planning process for the projects, the Town must survey the subject areas; and

WHEREAS, land surveying is considered a professional service which is generally exempt from the competitive bidding requirements of General Municipal Law (GML) §103 and the Town of Pawling Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has recommended that the Town Board retain Insite Engineering, Surveying, & Landscaping Architecture, P.C. (“Insite”) to perform the surveying work.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Pawling hereby authorizes and hires Insite Engineering, Surveying, & Landscaping Architecture, P.C. to perform land surveying services for the Lakeside Drive Improvement Project with costs not to exceed \$9,000.00 without additional Town Board approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes and hires Insite Engineering, Surveying, & Landscaping Architecture, P.C. to perform land surveying services for the Cushman Road Improvement Project with costs not to exceed \$25,000.00 without additional Town Board approval.

MOTION: Supervisor Giordano
SECOND: Councilwoman Snow

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilwoman Snow: “AYE”
Councilwoman Pitt: “AYE”
Councilman Mygan: “AYE”
Councilman McCarthy: “AYE”
Supervisor Giordano: “AYE”

DISCUSSION

BOB BRILL, HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT / COUNTY CONTRACT

Bob Brill, Highway Superintendent discussed that we have not received a new contract from the county. He advised that the county is predicting a small increase. He is asking the town board if they would all agree to allow him to enter into a county contract again, even if the rate did not change at all from this past season to the new season. He explained that he needs this information so that he can determine how much salt to order.

CONSENSUS POLL:

Councilwoman Snow: “AYE”
Councilwoman Pitt: “AYE”
Councilman Mygan: “AYE”
Councilman McCarthy: “AYE”
Supervisor Giordano: “AYE”

MILLENNIUM STRATEGIES

Supervisor Giordano stated that she has been in discussion with Supervisor Frazier from Union Vale. He would like to do a shared service; however, she has many questions regarding this.

NEW BUSINESS

COUNCILWOMAN PITT

Councilwoman Pitt said that she wanted to think about the solar project and moving forward with projects at lakeside that are prolonged projects with prolonged impact and she would like to loop around to the pavilion project again. She asked questions pertaining to Hannaford and the sewer district connection down route 22 south.

SUPERVISOR GIORDANO

Supervisor Giordano updated the town board on her meeting with Senator Rob Rollins and his aide Lydia.

COUNCILMAN MCCARTHY

Councilman McCarthy discussed the downstairs of the bays, stating that it is amazing. The water is all gone and there is a kiddie beach in front of the building.

COUNCILMAN MYGAN

Councilman Mygan stated that Monday, May 11th at the Beekman Town Hall, NYSEG will be there from 6:00pm – 8:00pm. Residents can ask their questions about their bills with a NYSEG representative.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Supervisor Giordano at 6:56pm, seconded by Councilwoman Pitt, motion passed unanimously.

Cheryl Knowles

Town Clerk