

Town of Pine Plains Town Board Meeting

September 18, 2025

The Town of Pine Plains Town Board convened for a regular schedule meeting at the Town Hall on the above date at 7 pm. Supervisor Brian Walsh, Councilman Zick Councilman Robert Ambrose, Councilwoman Sisco and Councilman Kevin Walsh were present. Also in attendance was Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky, Highway Superintendent Carl Baden, PPWIA Ray Jurkowski, Officer in Charge John Hughes, Recreation Director Brian Coons, and fourteen members of the public.

Supervisor Walsh called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was done.

Councilman Ambrose motioned to accept, August 21, 2025, Town Board minutes, and approve August 2025 Town Clerks report. Seconded by Councilwoman Sisco. 5-0 Passed.

Councilman Zick motioned to pay the following bills General 21891-21928, Highway 21929-21939, PPWIA 3396 seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Public Comment- Supervisor Walsh let the Board know that Route 199 will be opening on September 19th, there will be a CROP walk on October 5th at 12pm, Bob Couse Clean-up day is on October 4th from 9 am – 12 pm, Ag Day will be on October 11th and there will be a Citizens Preparedness will be hosted at the Community Center at 1 pm on September 29th.

Councilwoman Sisco thanked Jeanne Valentine Chase and Eleana Meccariello for painting the kiosk in Town Center. Brian Coons asked if the library had microfiche from the Register Herald, and the Community Room is cold for the seniors.

Town Attorney- Warren Replansky discussed the Hudson Company PILOT. The Hudson Company application is still in preliminary phase with the Planning Board; there will be a Public Hearing. Sisco wanted to know if the Town Board could write an informal preliminary letter of endorsement for the PILOT and send it to the Dutchess County IDA.

Department Reports- Highway- Highway Superintendent Carl Baden read report on file. Baden also stated that Hammertown Road and Tripp Road will be oiled and stoned on September 19, 2025.

Building Inspector- Report on file.

PPWIA/Engineer- Ray Jurkowski read report on file. Jurkowski also let the Board know he will have a resolution ready for next month's meeting for the re-levy of unpaid water bills for the year 2025.

Police Department- Officer in Charge John Hughes read report on file.

Animal Control- Report on file.

Recreation- Recreation Director Brian Coons gave an update on the planning of the Basketball program.

Beautification- Sisco gave an update on the bids for the painting of the light posts in Town, the lowest bidder will begin in October weather permitting. Also, the committee has had Down to Earth give an estimate to reconfigure the Community Center/Library landscaping, the library is going to pay for half of this expense and donations the Beautification Committee received would cover the rest of the cost. Ethan DiMaria informed the Board that the library has a grant for \$1,100.00 that they will contribute to the estimated costs for the landscaping.

Old Business- Supervisor Walsh gave an update on the New Town Hall. LaBella will provide a concept design to be presented at next month's meeting. Sisco gave an update on the ADU grant with Hudson River Housing. The Tri-Coalition met with Dutchess County Health Department pertaining to septic plans. Supervisor Walsh discussed the Precision Sidewalk evaluation; there are 385 serious and minor "trip/ fall" hazards. The approximate repair cost would be \$45,152.00. The Board agreed that they will discuss it with Choice Words to see if there are any grants the Town could get for these repairs.

New Business- Zick motioned to approve Sara Foglia to Assessor position for a 6-year term, seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed. Ambrose motioned to pay Liberta for the dumpsters the week after the Town Clean Up day, seconded by K. Walsh 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to adjourn, Seconded by K. Walsh 5-0 Passed.

Supervisor: Brian Walsh

Councilman: Matt Zick

Councilman: Robert Ambrose

Councilwoman: Jeanine Sisco

Councilman: Kevin Walsh