

Town of Pine Plains Town Board Meeting

October 16, 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 PPWIA Ray Jurkowski, Sargeant Steven Camburn, Recreation Director Brian Coons, CAC Chairperson Gail Mellow, Assessor Sara Foglia, and fourteen members of the public. Presenter Pasquale Marchese from LaBella to discuss the New Town Hall.

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

Councilman Ambrose motioned to accept, September 18, 2025, Town Board minutes, and approve September 2025 Town Clerks report. Seconded by Councilman Zick. 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to pay the following bills General 21949-21987 & 21989, Highway 21990-22005, PPWIA 34000,340-343 seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Public Comment-Supervisor Walsh thanked Highway Superintendent Carl Baden and Councilman Robert Ambrose for their help at Bob Couse Clean-Up Day. Wreaths Across America is hosting a lasagna dinner on Sat October 18, contact Carol Hart for more information. Councilwoman Jeanine Sisico thanked the Beautification Committee and Kristin Westphal with their help with the planters in Town. Sisco also thanks Peter Amato for a great job painting the light posts in Town. Sisco also thanked Thayer and Rich for doing fall clean-up in the park. Zick thanked the library for the after-school program. Ethan DiMara submitted letter, was read aloud to the Board and is on file. Library Director Dee Ann Campbell let the Board know there will be an informational meeting about the proposition that will be on the ballot at 11 am on 9-20, Patchin Mill Bridge is looking for pumpkin donation for Halloween, Brok Studivant thanked Brian Walsh for his service as Supervisor and Fire Chief.

LaBella- New Town Hall Presentation- Senior Project Pasquale Marchese started with the current Town Hall lay out, LaBella collected data from each department. LaBella created “concept drawing” of the New Town Hall on one level with a basement. Zick likes the design, Supervisor Walsh feels the outside fits with the Town. This design is a 6,000 sq ft concept. The presentation is on file.

Department Report- Highway report on file.

Building Inspector- Report on file.

PPWIA- PPWAI/ Engineer-Ray Jurkowski read report on file. Zick motioned to authorize the levy of the unpaid and delinquent water use charges of the Pine Plains Water Improvement Area on the 2026 Property taxes, seconded by Ambrose, 5-0 Passed.

Police Department- Sargeant Camburn read report on file.

Animal Control- Report on file.

Recreation- Recreation Director Brian Coons let the Board know inventory of summer camp has been complete. Sign ups for winter Basketball are open.

CAC- Chairperson Gail Mellow let the Board know that members have attended training.

Beautification Committee- Wants to focus on the sidewalks in Town and work on creating back side of the welcome signs.

Old Business-Supervisor gave an update on the Double Utility Poles and Dumpsters in the Hamlet. Building Inspector has sent letters to Optimum and Consolidated Communications for the double utility poles. The Building Inspector had some questions about the Dumpsters in the Hamlet which are being sent to the Town Attorney.

New Business- Zick motioned to accept the Tentative Budget as the Preliminary Budget, seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed. Ambrose motioned to set a public hearing for November 6, 2025, at 6pm, for the Preliminary Budget, seconded by Zick 5-0 Passed. Councilwoman Sisco motioned to set a public hearing for Local Law A of 2025 to “Override of the Tax Levy Limit for Fiscal year 2026 Pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c” on November 6, 2025, at 6 pm, seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Councilman K. Walsh motioned to move into executive session and invite Assessor Sara Foglia, seconded by Zick 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to return to regular session, seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Zick motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ambrose 5-0 Passed.

Supervisor: Brian Walsh

Councilman: Matt Zick

Councilman: Robert Ambrose

Councilwoman: Jeanine Sisco

Councilman: Kevin Walsh