

Town of Pine Plains

Town Board Meeting Agenda

January 15th, 2026

7 PM

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Approval of Bills
5. Town Attorney, Warren Replansky
6. Public Comment
7. Department Reports
 - a. Highway
 - b. Building Inspector
 - c. Water/Engineer
 - d. Police Department
 - e. Animal Control
 - f. Recreation
 - g. CAC
 - h. Beautification
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. Executive Session
11. Adjourn

Town of Pine Plains Town Board Meeting

January 15, 2026

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, Councilwoman Sisco, Councilman Kevin Walsh Councilman Roush, and Councilwoman Murphy were present. Also in attendance were Attorney to the Town Warren Replansky, Highway Superintendent Carl Baden, PPWIA Ray Jurkowski, Officer in Charge John Hughes, Recreation Director Brian Coons, CAC chairwoman Gail Mellow and eleven members of the public.

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

Councilman K. Walsh motioned to approve December 2025 Town Clerks report, and to accept December 18, 2025, Town Board meeting minutes Seconded by Councilwoman Sisco. 5-0 Passed.

Councilman Roush motioned to pay the following bills 2025 General 22125-22149, Highway 22150-22161, PPWIA 358-363, 2026 General 22162-22183, Highway 22184-22186 seconded by Councilwoman Birdsall 5-0 Passed.

Public Comment- Sisco let the Board know Pat Ryan C.A.R.E.S van will be at the Library on January 23, 2026, at 2 pm. Robert Lyons brought up a few issues that were discussed in the campaign season with transparency and communication. Lyons asked about the status of the newsletter, how it will be distributed, and if there will be an e-mail sign-up. Lyons also asked if Monday workshop meetings will be used more this year, if there will be a more detailed agenda provided to the public and if said agenda could be distributed in a timelier matter. Torey Soracco would like all information to be posted to the Towns website not just social media. Brian Coons- would like to see more robust website, and hopes Councilman Roush bring the younger generation to the Town meetings. Robert Lyons- General information to the community. Ethan DiMaria- Asked if the Board had appointed liaison for the fire district. DiMaria stated the meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Councilman K. Walsh volunteered to be the liaison to the fire district.

K. Walsh motioned to move into executive session with Attorney to Town Warren Replansky for attorney client privilege, seconded by Roush 5-0 Passed.

K. Walsh motioned to return to regular session, seconded by Roush 5-0 Passed.

Attorney to the Town, Warren Replansky- had the “Resolution Establishing a Petty Cash Fund for the Town of Pine Plains Tax Collector Pursuant to Town Law §64-1(a)” read aloud. Roll call was taken 5-Aye 0-Nay Passed.

K. Walsh motioned to schedule Public Hearing for February 19, 2026, at 7:05pm for an Amendment to Local Law to the Town Tax Code in regards at ADU tax exemption to go from 421-f to 421-p with a new scaling of the exemption. Second, by Sisco 5-0 Passed.

Department Reports- Highway Department- Highway Superintendent Carl Baden read report on file. Baden gave an update on the truck it will be finished in 3 months. K. Walsh motioned to use the monies received from the auction of the Kubota, and to bond the rest of the monies needed for the New Holland tractor in a total amount of \$213,053.14, seconded by Roush 5-0 Passed.

Building Inspector- Report on file.

Pine Plains Water Improvement-Ray Jurkowski read report on file.

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

Animal Control-Report on file

Recreation- Recreation Director Brian Coons stated he has been working with Councilman Roush, and working on a plan for a soccer field.

CAC- Chairwoman Gail Mellow gave an update on “Big Night”, which is a night that volunteers help salamanders and frogs cross the road safely. The committee is working on creating an event for the Trees of Liberty for the 250th birthday of the Untied States.

Beautification-Sisco gave the update on the following: the committee is still working on designing the back side of the welcome to Pine Plains signs, planning for Community day, and working on a daffodil event where daffodils are donated and distributed to people in the center of Town.

Old Business-Sisco gave an update for the ADU grant program and is still open until February 27, 2026

New Business-K. Walsh motioned to accept Al Blackburn resignation from the Planning Board, seconded by Roush, 5-0 Passed. Sisco motioned to appoint David Allan to the alternate positions for the Planning Board, seconded by Murphy 5-0 Passed.

Sisco gave an update from Choice Words and the grants they have been working on. NYS DOT TAP- which is a grant for new/replacement of sidewalks, crosswalks, and lighting. Also, the Community Block Grant in offered by Dutchess County which could be used for the beachfront, updating the playground, and ballfields.

K. Walsh motioned to move into executive session to discuss policies and procedures, seconded by Roush. 5-0 Passed

K. Walsh motioned to move back into regular session, seconded by Roush 5-0 Passed.

Roush motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sisco 5-0 Passed

Supervisor: Brian Walsh

Councilwoman: Jeanine Sisco

Councilman: Kevin Walsh

Councilman: Trevor Roush

Councilwoman: Murphy Birdsall

PINE PLAINS TOWN BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. __ OF THE YEAR 2026

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PETTY CASH FUND FOR THE TOWN OF PINE PLAINS TAX COLLECTOR PURSUANT TO TOWN LAW §64-1(a)

WHEREAS, the Town of Pine Plains has established the office of Town Tax Collector;
and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has been informed by the Tax Collector (currently Eileen Ciaburri) that the office is in need of a petty cash fund; and

WHEREAS, Town Law §64-1(a) authorizes the Town Board to establish by Resolution a petty cash fund and use of a cash box for the office of Tax Collector in advance of audit of properly itemized and verified or certified bills for material, supplies or services furnished to the Town for the conduct of the affairs and upon terms calling for payment to a vendor upon delivery of materials or supplies or the rendering of any services provided the monies in any such fund may be used for purposes of making change when it is required in the performance of the Tax Collector's official duties; and

WHEREAS, this is a Type II action under SEQRA which does not require environmental review.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the establishment of a petty cash fund and use of a cash box in accordance with the provisions of Town Law §64-1(a) not to exceed \$500.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the petty cash fund may be deposited in a petty cash box and that the fund shall be utilized and administered in full conformity with the requirements as set forth in §64-1(a), a copy of which is annexed hereto.


The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call on January 15 2026, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Walsh	<u>Aye</u>
Councilman Birdsall	<u>Aye</u>
Councilman Roush	<u>Aye</u>
Councilwoman Sisco	<u>Aye</u>

Councilman Walsh

Aye

The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.


MADELIN DAFOE, TOWN CLERK

Memo

To: Town Supervisor and all Town Board Members
From: Carl Baden, Highway Superintendent
Date: January 12, 2026
Re: Highway Department Report for January 15, 2026

Operations at the Highway Department are going well.

1. The crew spent time on storm maintenance.
2. We cleaned up trees.
3. The crew spent time on truck maintenance.
4. We took delivery of 400 tons of road salt and 200 tons of road sand.
5. The crew is in the process of cold patching the bad spots on roads.

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Ed Casazza
Code Enforcement Officer
Zoning Enforcement Officer

office hours
Wednesday 10:00-noon
Saturday 10:00-noon

January 3, 2026

MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2025

Building Permits:

Propane Stove-,Stissing Mt. LLC-37 Stissing Mt. Dr.
Heat Pumps & 200Amp Service-Karlan-14 Poplar
Addition & Renovation- Merison -54 Briercliff
Roof Replacement -Bruno – 140 Lake Rd.
Insulation -Mitchell -7714 Rte. 82
Roof Replacement- Paris – 3070 Church
Prefab Shed -Mathers-2661 Rte. 199
Replace Mechanicals -Kriegel -546 Hicks Hill
Gas Boiler -Alpert- 171 Hicks Hill
Shed – Longest -540 Hicks Hill
Heat Pumps- Grassi Kaestle -205 Stissing Mt. Rd.

Total New Homes This Year: 4
CO Searches This Month: 3
Site Inspections This Month: 14
Property Maintenance : 3
Total Permits To Date; 85

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COMPARISON

This Month	Total for Year To Date
2025-11	85
2024-3	75
2023-7	112
2022-4	123
2021-3	84
2020-3	74
2019-2	51
2018-3	44
2017-4	53

PPWIA

Monthly Report

January 2026

- Business as usual
- Meters read and bills sent
- Payments processed
- Monthly reports sent
- Leaks detected and repaired
- Maintenance of building

Comments:

- A. Monthly report has been submitted to the Health Department. Average daily flow for the month have increased to 70,000 gallons per day.
- B. Utility Mark Outs: 2 utility mark outs were performed in the past month.
- C. Chlorinator Pumps: Both Chlorinator pumps, feed lines and fittings were cleaned and placed back into service.
- D. 4th Quarter water meter readings were taken at the end of December and bills were sent out during the first week of January.
- E. A draft of the 2025 Annual Water Quality report was prepared and submitted to the Dutchess County Department of Health for review and comment.
- F. A draft of a new Lead and Copper sample plan was prepared and submitted to the Dutchess County Department of Health. Lead and Copper water samples are scheduled to be collected this summer.
- G. The Annual Water Withdrawal Report for 2025 was prepared and submitted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). The PPWIA pumped and treated 23 million gallons of water during 2025.

MONTHLY ACTIVITY

PINE PLAINS POLICE DEPARTMENT

December 2025

	Hughes #1	Camburn #4	Dean #6	Perrotta #7	Fantroy #9	Blaauvelt #10	Totals
HOURS							
COURT	8	8					16
PATROL	4	61	52	39.5	58	10	224.5
DISCOVERY							
TRAINING		15				5	20
DETAILS							
SCHOOL DUTY		20	3	0.5	8		31.5
ADMINISTRATION	14	10			2	5	31
INVESTIGATIONS		6	10	8			24
VEHICLES	10	5		0.5	2		17.5
SUPERVISE/FTO		10				5	15
OTHER							
TOTALS	36	135	65	48.5	70	25	379.5
ACTIVITY							
INCIDENTS		3	1				4
FIRE / EMS			3				3
DOMESTICS							
PROPERTY CHECKS					7		7
ACCIDENTS		1					1
TRAFFIC WARNINGS		4		3	15	4	26
TRAFFIC TICKETS		2		12	14		28
PARKING WARNINGS							
PARKING TICKETS							
DWI/DWAI							
VIOLATIONS ARRESTS							
MISD ARRESTS							
FELONY ARRESTS							
TOTALS		10	4	15	36	4	69

PINE PLAINS POLICE DEPARTMENT

MONTHLY SCHEDULE REPORT

FOR THE MONTH OF December 2025

OFFICER	SCHEDULED	ACTUAL	PLUS	MINUS
# 1 Hughes				
# 2				
# 3				
# 4 Camburn	18	18		
# 5				
# 6 Dean	6	8	2	
# 7 Perrotta	4	5	1	
# 8				
# 9 Fantroy	6	6		
# 10 Blauvelt	4	4		
TOTAL SCHEDULED	38			
TOTAL COVERED		41		
TOTAL UNCOVERED				

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE



DATE

Sgt. 01/14/2026



Continuous Reports

On 12/17/2025 Pine Plains Police Department provided security for the Pine Plains Basketball games.

On 12/18/2025 1st Sgt. Hughes attended the Dutchess County Chief's Meeting for the end of the year.

End of report

Town of Pine Plains
Dog Control Officers Monthly Report
For the Month of: December 2025

Description	Current Month	Year to Date	Previous Year
Administrative/Training/Call Out hours	5.5	156.5	111.5
Shelter maintenance hours	2	47	37
Calls received	0	18	11
Miles traveled	0	103	52
Complaints Investigated	0	14	11
Training & meetings attended	0	4	2
Missing & found dogs reported to DCO	0	5	4
Dogs seized	0	2	4
Notice to comply issued	0	6	7
Citations for court-issued	0	4	3

Notes &Comments:

1. Shelter hours for clearing & salting snow around the shelter.

Respectively Submitted,

Richard Prentice Jr

