

TOWN OF BRUNSWICK
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 9, 2026, 7:00 P.M.

TOWN HALL

The following is a summary of the Town Board Meeting as recorded by the Town Clerk.

To view a recording of the full meeting, please see the YouTube link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zHlBa0DeBPk>

Board Members Present: Supervisor Herrington, Councilman Cipperly and Councilman Sullivan.

Also Present: Town Attorney, Dave Gruenburg, Town Clerk, Alicia Saunders and Deputy Town Clerk, Vinny DamaPoletto.

Absent: Councilman Christian and Councilman Balistreri.

Supervisor Herrington called the meeting to order at: 7:05

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Councilman Sullivan made a motion to accept the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting on February 12, 2026, and March 12, 2026. Motion was seconded by Councilman Cipperly.

Unanimously approved.

Reports by Elected Officials and Department Heads:

Town Clerk: Alicia Saunders

The Town Clerk's office processed, 9 hunting and fishing licenses, for a total of \$220, of which our share was \$12.16, 53 dog licenses for a total of \$359, and 5 EZ passes for a total of \$125, 37 Summer camp applications received to which we collected a total of \$23,475 and 17 reservations made for the Community Center which brought a total of \$3,400 collected.

The Town Clerk's office commissioned \$477.50 for Vital Statistics, \$187.77 in Bingo proceeds, and \$466 in recycling bags and tags.

The office remitted \$32,672.83 to the Supervisors office, \$22.50 to the NYS Department of Health, \$47 to the NYS Ag & Markets and \$207.84 to the DEC and \$112.50 to the State Comptroller for Bingo.

Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Cipperly. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Highway Superintendent: Michael Bayly

Mr. Bayly reported that one man did recycling pulls for three days, five men did shop work for nineteen days, two men did sign work for two days, two men helped out the water crew for two days, three men hauled snow and did mixing for six days, seven men did work at the Ballfields for two days, four men did ditching for seven days, five men did brush cutting for three days, two men picked up bags for two days, four men did lawn work for six days, two men did sweeping with skid steer for eleven days, one man did sweeping with the Town truck for thirteen days and we had three men for eight days sweeping with rental machine.

Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Cipperly and seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Water & Sewer: Bill Bradley

Vinny DamaPoletto, assistant to the Superintendent of Water & Sewer, gave the report for March. He reported that the new Walmart sewer lift station installed in January is working well with no issues. The Homeowners association at Brunswick Meadows would like to enhance the appearance of the sewer lift station by installing shutters, some paint and fence screening. They have offered to do this at their own expense and we have asked them to provide detail on this to be reviewed first. The gentlemen in the Water department have been installing leak sensors as quickly as they can around all the other duties they have. Mr. Mainello has been assisting in the monitoring of the stormwater on the active construction sites. There has been difficulty getting full compliance with the construction SWPP at various sites in the Town. We have resorted to stop work orders in some cases but it may be time to review an effective monetary fine program due to the time and effort it is costing the Town only to have repetition of the same violations by contractors. We are in the second month of the water sewer bill collection period to which we have collected \$560,184.06 and have \$152,635.85 in current receivables. The Town of Poestenkill has requested the Town bill them for the water transportation charges on a monthly basis. This request is being reviewed and will develop a plan which will help both Towns cash flow and water usage tracking. Trout Unlimited has received the grant contract from NYSDEC for the Sweet Milk Creek culvert replacement project and they would like to proceed with a plan to implement the project. We plan to have a kickoff meeting in May.

Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Cipperly and seconded by Supervisor Herrington. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Building & Zoning Supervisor: Kevin Mainello

Mr. Mainello reported there were 61 building and property inspections, 423 active building permits, 18 permits issued and/or renewed, there were eight meetings, two Planning board meetings and one combined with the Zoning board, one Zoning board meeting, there were no court cases and no fire inspections, one follow-up complaint, follow-up complaint inspections and follow up code call out inspections and other meetings and phone calls and letters, one code call out and fire call, five code complaints, four code complaints and code call out inspections or addressed, as well as vacant/abandoned properties (first time inspections) done by the Building Department, there were no vacant abandon properties identified or suspected with the Accessor's Department, nine Planning board projects or agendas, one Zoning board project or agendas and there were seven FOIL requests searches received as well as other searches.

Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Cipperly. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report in on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Town Historian: Tracy Broderick

Ms. Broderick reported the continuation of her work researching the men from the town who served in the Revolutionary War. While working on confirming the names on her current list, out of the 90 men listed, she has been able to verify 26 of the men so far. Some of the men appear in records from *The Sons of the American Revolution*, which has helped provide additional information. Many are also listed in *New York in the Revolution*, a book published in 1898 that details all regiments. Its supplement includes lists of American prisoners of war, British prisoners, and suspected Tories. Another valuable source has been *Minutes of the Commissioners for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies in the State of New York*, which names several men from Brunswick. One notable entry from March 7, 1781, describes a warrant issued for two men, Andreis Stoll and Harpert Witbeeck. They had been fined by a court for neglect of militia duty and refused to pay. They were apprehended by Sgt. Elijah Adams. A group of 15 men all of whom were from Brunswick freed both men from Adam's custody. As a result, all involved were brought before the Albany Commission and committed to jail. They remained there for 19 days, when they were released for good behavior. Ms. Broderick concluded she will continue utilizing these sources to assist in researching and identifying the remaining men.

Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Cipperly. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Recycling Coordinator: Thomas Engster

Mr. Engster wasn't present for the meeting. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Brunswick Community Library: Sara Hopkins

Ms. Hopkins gave the report for the month of February. The library had 2,357 visitors, 401 reference questions, 153 Wi-Fi users averaging 17 per day, 473 study space users, 110 visitors helped with tech use and other assistance, and 20 new BRUN Patrons. There was a total of 3,514 services rendered. There were also 3,293 physical items checked out, 1,967 overdrive, 8 comics plus, 1,265 News Bank. The total items checked out across of the services was 6,533. There were 20 different programs. Ms. Hopkins gave a brief overview of all of the upcoming events for the month of April.

Ms. Hopkins closed with an announcement reminder regarding Accessible Books. Books by mail are available through UHLS for library users who are visually impaired or housebound. The Libby app also has accessible features. In addition to audio books, the app and e-books can be navigated and read with screen readers. Text can also be enlarged to make any book large print and open dyslexic fonts are available. NYS Talking Book and Braille Library is open to NYS residents who are unable to use standard print items. Ms. Hopkins concluded with letting everyone know that the library can help you to get connected to any of these available features.

Motion to accept the report was made by Supervisor Herrington and seconded by Councilman Cipperly. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Town of Brunswick Ambulance: Ryan French

Councilman Cipperly gave the monthly report for March. There were a total of 81 EMS calls in which 76 were the Town of Brunswick, 4 North Greenbush ambulance and 1 Sand Lake ambulance. Of the 81 EMS calls, 76 arrived at the scene and 5 of the calls were canceled prior to arrival. The average response time for all 76 calls from mean dispatch to arrival was 9:21. These calls consisted of 51 high priority calls with an average response time from mean dispatch to arrival being 8:43.

Motion to accept the report was made by Councilman Sullivan and Supervisor Herrington. Unanimously approved. A copy of the written report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 45, 2026

RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW NO. 01 OF 2026 RELATING TO THE APPLICATION OF GRAFTON QUARRY, LLC FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING LAW TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY.

The foregoing Resolution offered by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Cipperly, was duly put to a roll call vote as follow: Councilman Cipperly, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 46, 2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 7 AND ARTICLE 26 OF THE AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW, RELATING TO SEIZED DOGS.

The foregoing Resolution offered by Councilman Cipperly and seconded by Supervisor Herrington, was duly put to a roll call vote as follow: Councilman Cipperly, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 47, 2026

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF PETERSBURGH, FOR THE SHELTER AND CARE OF SEIZED DOGS WITHIN THE TOWN OF BRUNSWICK.

The foregoing Resolution offered by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Councilman Cipperly, was duly put to a roll call vote as follow: Councilman Cipperly, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Office received an email from Mr. Foley who resides on Woodlawn Ct. located off of North Lake Ave. Mr. Foley has been a resident in Brunswick for twenty-five years and wanted to commend Mr. Bayly on his work. Commending the highway department team for their removal of snow on their road especially during the big snow storms making it easier for his family to access their driveway. He also explained that after every snow season the dirt and silt ends up down there at the end of the season and the amount this year was more that most years making it

very daunting. This is something Mr. Foley and his family in the Spring spend time raking up the dirt. That morning when Mr. Foley saw the highway team showed up and cleaned and graded the whole area, and even threw down grass seed, he wanted to be sure and thank the highway department for a job well done and maintaining the road so great.

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilman Cipperly addressed the board regarding inquiries he had received about the Beach and reservoir. Mr. Cipperly spoke with Superintendent Bradley of the water department and there was an issue due to the top of the valve on the track. Everything is still on track and will be ready for the Summer Camp.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

WARRANTS:

The warrants were offered by Councilman Sullivan and seconded by Supervisor Herrington, and were duly put to a roll call vote as follows: Councilman Cipperly, Voting Aye; Councilman Sullivan, Voting Aye; Supervisor Herrington, Voting Aye. The foregoing warrants were thereupon declared duly adopted.

VISITORS WHO WISHED TO SPEAK:

Jim Tzacik, Brunswick Road, informed the board that he was happy with the ambulance services and shared feedback regarding response time and service his neighbor received. Mr. Tzacik asked for the status on the CVE solar project and expressed to the board the need to review and amend the current comprehensive plan.

Sue Vitolins, Miller Ave, asked the board if there had been anything new regarding National Grid. Suggested in regard to the current comprehensive plan that maybe an amendment could be added to the current plan. Ms. Vitolins also inquired about the DEC and Paramount building and asked if a meeting had taken place.

Tim Galvin, Mohawk Ave, commended the Town Historian and Library on the great work that they do. Mr. Galvin inquired regarding damage to his lawn from trucks working at the QuickChek building on who would be responsible. He also expressed concern regarding the water at the bottom of the road. Mr. Galvin also wanted to state to the board that he was opposed to another retaining wall on Hoosick Street.

Louis Hutter, White Church Road, wanted to congratulate Supervisor Herrington on his retirement at the farm. He expressed concern and shared photos with the board regarding the damage to the road that he lives on.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Cipperly made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Sullivan. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully,

Alicia Saunders
Town Clerk