

**TOWN OF PAVILION**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**December 10, 2025**

**7:00PM**

The Town Board of the Town of Pavilion held the Regular Board meeting on December 10, 2025 at the Town Hall, One Woodrow Drive, Pavilion, New York 14525 at 7:00 pm:

Supervisor James Thater-Present  
Councilperson John Rudgers- Absent  
Councilperson Donald Oberlin-Present  
Councilperson Dean Davis- Present  
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz-Present

Others: Stacy Halsted, James Cleveland, Lee Brooks, Scot Savidge, Don Carney, George Jinks

Following pledge to the Flag, Supervisor Thater opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

**REPORTS:**

Highway James Cleveland:

- Salt building complete & final paperwork is in; final numbers should be in at next meeting
- Salt spreading: making more strategic decisions with salt being low
- UV Improvement Project: Closing Soon
- Auction International: Check Received
- CHIPS Payment should be incoming soon

Highway John Rudgers: (Absent)

- No Report

Sewer Donald Oberlin:

- No Report

Code Enforcement-Kenneth Steinmetz:

- A few permits issued this month, a new home going in on Dillon Road, no major updates

Water -Dean Davis

- No Report, same status as meetings prior

OLD BUSINESS:

- Comment on park looking good and thanks made to everyone involved in making Christmas in the Park a success: Town Clerk, Highway Dep, Pavilion Fire Department, and Blessings Café; Councilman Steinmetz & Councilman Oberlin

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilperson Steinmetz offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Davis

**RESOLUTION 70, 2025: SUPPORT OF CONGRESSMAN NICK LANGWORTHY'S ENERGY CHOICE ACT (H.R. 3699, S. 1945) AND IN OPPOSITION TO GOVERNMENT-MANDATED NATURAL GAS BANS**

WHEREAS, affordable and reliable energy is essential to the health, safety, and economic prosperity of New York families, businesses, and communities; and WHEREAS, natural gas remains a dependable, cost-effective, and clean-burning energy source used by millions of New Yorkers to heat their homes, cook their food, and power their businesses; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, New York State enacted the **Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA)**, which mandates aggressive emissions reductions and serves as the foundation for sweeping energy restrictions, including efforts to phase out natural gas; and

WHEREAS, building on the CLCPA, Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature in 2023 enacted provisions in the state budget banning natural gas and other fossil fuel hookups in most new residential and commercial buildings, effective 2026 for smaller buildings, and 2029 for larger buildings, thereby eliminating consumer choice and limiting access to affordable energy; and

WHEREAS, Governor Hochul has publicly supported these bans and related measures as part of her administration's climate and energy agenda, despite widespread concerns that such mandates will increase costs, strain grid reliability, and restrict energy diversity; and

WHEREAS, these top-down policies undermine affordability, threaten reliability during peak demand, and strip away the freedom of consumers and businesses to choose the energy sources that best meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Nick Langworthy of New York and Senator Jim Justice of West Virginia introduced the **Energy Choice Act (H.R. 3699, S. 1945)**, federal legislation that ensures state and local governments cannot restrict consumer access to natural gas and other affordable energy sources, thereby protecting freedom of choice for New Yorkers and all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Energy Choice Act would safeguard households, small businesses, hospitals, farmers, and manufacturers from harmful government overreach and preserve access to an “all-of-the-above” energy strategy that strengthens reliability and affordability;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Pavilion strongly supports the Energy Choice Act as introduced by Congressman Langworthy (H.R. 3699) and Senator Justice (S. 1945) and stands firmly opposed to New York State’s natural gas bans, the CLCPA-driven restrictions, and other state energy mandates that eliminate consumer choice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that The Town of Pavilion urges Congress to pass the Energy Choice Act to defend consumer choice, protect energy affordability, and preserve reliable access to natural gas for New Yorkers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to Congressman Nick Langworthy, Senator Jim Justice, the New York Congressional delegation, Senators Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand, Governor Kathy Hochul, and leadership of the New York State Legislature.

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Steinmetz offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Davis

**RESOLUTION 71, 2025: To Add an additional phone line for the Town of Pavilion Court thru the Town of Stafford’s phone provider, Hover**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pavilion Clerk will sign the Voice Service Agreement with Hover, where the cost to add an additional line will be in the amount of \$1.99 per month, with a \$15 one- time number porting purchase fee; and the Town of Pavilion will be responsible for any additional cost associated with the Pavilion Town Court phone line; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pavilion will send payment to the Town of Stafford to cover the portion of the bill as a one-time payment to cover the cost of 6 months plus the one-time fee, should the contract be extended Pavilion will cover the cost of the Town of Pavilion Court phone line; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Pavilion approves the additional phone line for the Town of Pavilion Court to be added thru the Town of Stafford's phone agreement with Hover.

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Steinmetz offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Davis

**Resolution 72, 2025: To Approve and Make the Following Budget Modifications**

**GENERAL FUND-TOWN WIDE**

<i>Transfer From:</i> A1110.1A	Court Clerk	\$	24,479.00
A1990.4	Contingency	\$	13,008.00
A3620.4	Safety Inspection, Contr Expend	\$	6,438.00
	UNANTICIPATED REVENUE		
A2401C	NYClass Interest	\$	8,125.00
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>52,050.00</b>

<i>Transfer To:</i> A1220.4	Supervisor Contr.	\$	700.00
A1355.4	Assessor Contr.	\$	11,416.00
A1410.1A	Deputy Town Clerk Svc.	\$	400.00
A1620.4	Buildings, Contr Expend	\$	10,000.00
A1910.4	Unallocated Insurance	\$	20,161.00
A3620.1	Safety Inspection, Pers Serv	\$	6,438.00
A8160.4	Refuse/Garbage Contr.	\$	850.00
A8350.4	Common Water Supply, Contr	\$	1,200.00
A8510.4	Comm Beautification, Contr	\$	885.00
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>52,050.00</b>

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye

Councilperson Dean Davis           Aye  
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz   Aye

Councilperson Steinmetz offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Oberlin

**Resolution 73, 2025: To Switch phone providers from Frontier to Charter Communications (Spectrum)**

WHEREAS, the Town of Pavilion have reviewed and compared service with the following phone providers, Hover, Frontier, and Charter communications; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Pavilion approves switching from Frontier to Charter communications.

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater           Aye  
Councilperson John Rudgers       Absent  
Councilperson Donald Oberlin     Aye  
Councilperson Dean Davis         Aye  
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz  Aye

Supervisor Thater offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Davis

**Resolution 74, 2025: Calling for Zoning Map Update Public Hearing on December 29th at 7:00 PM**

WHEREAS, a request for a change in zoning designation has been submitted for parcel 8.-1-35 the parcel located at 6287 Telephone Road by the Town Board of the Town of Pavilion, New York and,  
WHEREAS, the requested new zoning designation of Industrial / Commercial - IC for this parcel is in conformity with the Town of Pavilion Comprehensive Plan, now, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that a public hearing of the Town Board of the Town of Pavilion will be held at the Town Hall, One Woodrow Drive, Pavilion, New York at 7:00 p.m. on December 29th, 2025 to consider the update of the zoning map.

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater           Aye  
Councilperson John Rudgers       Absent  
Councilperson Donald Oberlin     Aye  
Councilperson Dean Davis         Aye  
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz  Aye

Councilperson Steinmetz offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Oberlin

**Resolution 75, 2025: Approval of the Genesee Traffic Prosecutor and Town of Pavilion Agreement for Town Prosecutor Services-Traffic Matters**

- Agreement available for public to read in Town Clerk's Office

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Supervisor Thater offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Davis

**Resolution 76, 2025: To Approve Payment to Peter Green in lieu of an overpayment to his NYS Retirement after his retirement in the amount of \$1,088.95**

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Davis offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Steinmetz

**Resolution 77, 2025: To appoint Marilyn Weirnet to serve as Town of Pavilion Court Clerk effective 12/10/2025 at an hourly rate of \$24/hour**

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Davis offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Oberlin

**Resolution 78, 2025: To Honor and Acknowledge 50 years of service of Donald Brooks**

WHEREAS, Donald Brooks, has dedicated over 50 years of exemplary service to the Town of Pavilion; and

WHEREAS, during their tenure, Donald Brooks, has demonstrated unwavering commitment; and

WHEREAS, their contributions in the Town of Pavilion have significantly impacted organizational success; and dedication has served as an inspiration to colleagues; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Pavilion shows its profound gratitude and deepest appreciation for Donald Brooks's distinguished service; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we honor Donald Brooks for their invaluable contributions and wish them continued success and fulfillment in all future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be presented to Donald Brooks as a lasting token of our respect and admiration.

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Davis offered a motion, seconded by Supervisor Thater

**Resolution 79, 2025: To Approve Resignation of Donald Brooks effective 12/17/2025 & to Accept Resignation of Scot Savidge effective 12/31/2025 of their current positions.**

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Information:

End of Year Meeting will be December 29, 2025 at 7:00pm

Approvals:

Councilperson Steinmetz offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Oberlin

To Approve November 2025 Regular meeting minutes.

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Davis offered a motion, seconded by Councilperson Steinmetz

Authorization for clerk to draw a warrant on the supervisor to pay bills and to approve the November 2025 operating statement, bank reconciliation & clerk report.

General \$ 20,410.85

Sewer: \$ 5,716.77

Highway: \$27,519.15

Water \$ 713.75

Capital: \$ 1,650.55

RESOLVED:

Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting was as follows:

Supervisor James Thater	Aye
Councilperson John Rudgers	Absent
Councilperson Donald Oberlin	Aye
Councilperson Dean Davis	Aye
Councilperson Kenneth Steinmetz	Aye

Councilperson Steinmetz made a motion at 7:47 PM to adjourn the meeting seconded by Councilperson Davis. Approved by unanimous vote (4-0). Voting all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Stacy Halsted

Town Clerk