

**TOWN OF NEVERSINK TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
February 11, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Neversink was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Chris Mathews with the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Board Members

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| Supervisor Chris Mathews | PRESENT |
| Councilperson Jim Schmidt | PRESENT |
| Councilperson Nicole Gorr | PRESENT |
| Councilperson Scott Grey | PRESENT |
| Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr. | PRESENT |

Other Officials

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| Highway Superintendent Preston Kelly | PRESENT |
| Code Enforcement Officer Glenn Gabbard | PRESENT |
| Parks & Recreation Director Tanya Huggler | PRESENT |
| Town Historian Roger Edwards | PRESENT |
| Bookkeeper Marta Brzostowska | PRESENT |

GUESTS

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| Cher Woehl | Vincent Kurzrock | Andrew McCabe |
| Walt Zeitschel | Larry Bracken | |

- **Supervisor Chris Mathews welcomed Marta Brzostowska to the meeting.** He thanked both Bookkeeper Patricia Gold and Financial Director Teri Lockhart for their service to the Town of Neversink. The following motion was made:

A motion was made by Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr., seconded by Councilperson Scott Grey to **appoint Marta Brzostowska as Budget/Accounting Coordinator** of the municipality (provisional) with start date of 2/2/2026, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0.

- **Town Historian Roger Edwards presented his report *A History of the Graham Massacre*** and updated the Town Board on his research over the last six months.
- **Larry Bracken** discussed the upcoming **Sullivan County Parade to be held in Grahamsville on September 12, 2026** and advised that the **Neversink Agricultural Society will be doing some lot improvements at the Fairgrounds** in the next 30-45 days.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 14, 2026 were ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED on motion by Councilperson Nicole Gorr, seconded by Councilperson Scott Grey, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

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VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

SUPERVISOR'S RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS REPORT

Supervisor Mathews advised that the Supervisor's Report for the month of January 2026 and the Revenue Report, Expense Report and Trial Balance for 01/1/2026-01/31/2026 will be presented at March Town Board meeting.

TOWN CLERK DECALS AND MONTHLY FEE REPORT

ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED for the month of January 2026 to be filed on motion by Councilperson Scott Grey, seconded by Councilperson Nicole Gorr, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

TOWN CLERK MONTHLY PETTY CASH REPORT

Month of January 2026

Reimburse Petty Cash fund to \$200.00 by the amount of \$19.74 for postage.

ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED for the month of January 2026 to be filed and Petty Cash fund to be reimbursed \$19.74 for postage on motion by Councilperson Scott Grey, seconded by Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr., put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

2026 Annual Report of Activity

Code Enforcement Officer Report for January 2026

- 249 Miles
- \$480.00 Receipts
- 6 Building Permits, total 6 for year
- 1 Building Permit Renewal, total 1 for year
- 1 Certificate of Occupancy/Certificate of Compliance, total 1 for year
- 0 Complaint, total 0 for year
- 1 Violations, total 1 for year
- 3 Municipal Searches, total 3 for year
- 1 Fire Inspections, total 1 for year
- 0 Junk Yard Permit, total 0 for year
- 0 Mobile Home Park Permit Renewal, total 0 for year
- 0 Operating Permit, 0 total for year
- 0 Special Use Permit, total 0 for year
- 0 Fireworks Permit, total 0 for year
- 0 CEO Training GG Hours, total 0 for year
- 0 FOIL Request, total 0 for year
- 0 Fire Calls, total 1 for year
 - CEO advised he will be attending Association of Towns meeting next week and will be attending training in Lake Placid the week of March 2nd.

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- CEO advised that he has an upcoming court date (February 24th) with a violator in Lake Paradise area.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

1. Highway Superintendent Preston Kelly set up a **meeting with the equipment committee**. Councilperson Jim Schmidt and Councilperson Scott Grey will meet with Preston on Wednesday, February 25th at 4:15 pm.
2. Highway Superintendent Preston Kelly if the Board wanted to continue with the **3-year rotation pickup replacement plan**. The Board is in favor of continuing the 3-year replacement plan. There is a 2026 Dodge Ram 3500 with western 9'plow available on State contract. Chevy and Ford are currently closed to municipal sales. The Dodge Ram 3500 Regular Cab with plow current price is \$62,804.08. Money to come from unexpended balance. The following motion was made:

A motion was made by Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr., seconded by Councilperson Jim Schmidt authorizing Highway Superintendent Preston Kelly to purchase a Dodge pickup with plow off of the State Contract, for \$62,804.08, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR

Parks and Recreation Director Tanya Huggler gave the following monthly update:

1. The **ice rink** is doing very well and is well-attended. The following motion was made:

A motion was made by Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr., seconded by Councilperson Scott Grey to authorize Skate Guards be utilized with flexible hours not to exceed 60 hrs./month, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

2. The following motion was made:

A motion was made by Councilperson Nicole Gorr, seconded by Councilperson Jim Schmidt to **re-advertise for (2) vacancies on Parks & Recreation Board**, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

TOWN CLERK

FILINGS AND CORRESPONDENCE FILED WITH TOWN CLERK

- Town Clerk requested permission to **attend the 2026 NYS Town Clerks Association Conference** in Syracuse on April 19th to 22nd, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilperson Nicole Gorr, seconded by Councilperson Jim Schmidt to allow **Town Clerk to attend NYSTCA Clerk's conference in Albany April 19-22, 2026**, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

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Filings with Town Clerk

Oath of Office:

- Eileen Delaney – NFD Treasurer
- Danielle Hartman – Parks & Rec Advisory Board
- Nicole Grey - Parks & Rec Advisory Board
- Dan D’Aria – Deputy Superintendent of Highways
- Julie Starner – Health Officer
- Christopher Mathews – Supervisor
- James Stangel – Committee for the Disabled
- Douglas Hamilton – Committee for the Disabled
- Andrew McCabe – Zoning Board of Appeals
- Lawrence Jones – Ethics Committee
- Deborah Shaver – Clerk to the Courts
- Danita Kristoff – Dog Control Officer
- Patricia Gold – Budget Officer, Bookkeeper to Supervisor
- Roger Edwards – Town Historian
- Scott Grey – Councilperson
- Richard Coombe Jr. – Deputy Supervisor
- Richard Coombe Jr. – Councilperson
- Glenn Gabbard – CEO & Septic District Administrator
- Tanya Huggler – Parks & Recreation Director
- James Garigliano – Planning Board
- Kelsi Luczynski – Committee for the Disabled
- Stephen Poley – Planning Board Alternate

Correspondence

- FOIL request re: Property on Woodland Rd – completed
- FOIL request re: Purchasing Records from SmartProcure
- Amendment to Lease Agreement between Town of Neversink and Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District
- Letter from CEO Glenn Gabbard to Central Hudson re: Transmission Line Replacement Project
- Email from CWC re: Land Swaps
- Nextiva & Ooma Contracts

Items were ORDERED LOGGED and FILED on motion by Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr., seconded by Councilperson Scott Grey, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.
VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

PUBLICATIONS

1. The Observer – January 2026
2. Time and the Valleys Museum – Spring 2026
3. Talk of the Towns & Topics – Jan/Feb 2026

SUPERVISOR

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1. The following resolution was presented for the Board’s consideration:

**TOWN OF NEVERSINK
RESOLUTION NO. 2 OF 2026
2025 BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

WHEREAS, decreases in appropriations are needed for the 2025 budget, for General Fund, A1410.10 Town Clerk, Personal Services for \$1,500.00, A1440.40 Engineer, Contractual Expense for \$2,700.00, A1650.40 Central Communication Systems, Contractual Expense for \$9,100.00, A3310.40 Traffic Control, Contractual Expense for \$1,300.00, A3620.20 Safety Inspection, Equipment for \$1,200.00, A3620.10 Safety Inspection, Personal Services for \$4,300.00, A7180.40 Special Rec. Facilities, Contractual Expense for \$900.00, A7310.40 Youth Programs, Contractual Expense for \$4,000.00, A7310.41 Youth Programs, Ice Rink for \$7,500.00, A9030.80 Social Security for \$5,200.00, A9060.80 Medical Insurance for \$9,000.00, A599 General Fund Balance,

Decreases in Highway Fund DA5148.10 Services to Other Governments, Personal Services for \$4,200.00,

Decrease in Grahamsville Light District SL-1-599 Fund Balance for \$260.00; and

WHEREAS, the increases in appropriations for General Fund are A1110.40 Justices, Contractual Expense for \$1,600.00, A1410.40 Town Clerk, Contractual Expense for \$1,700.00, A1620.20 Buildings, Equipment for \$75.00, A1670.40 Central Printing and Mailing for \$20.00, A7110.20 Park Maintenance, Equipment & Capital Outlay for \$14,520.00, A7140.40 Playground & Rec Center, Contractual Expense for \$1,220.00, A7310.42 Ice Rink, Sullivan 180 Grant for \$70,000.00, A7550.40 Celebration, Contractual Expense for \$320.00, A8160.40 Refuse & Garbage, Contractual Expense for \$590.00,

Increase in Highway Fund DA5142.40 Snow Removal, Contractual Expense for \$4,200.00,

Increase account SL-1-5182.40 Grahamsville Light District, Contractual Expense for \$260.00; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to complete the above transfers and that the following budget amendments be made to the 2025 budget:

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| A960 APPROPRIATIONS - \$ 90,045.00 | |
| A1410.10 Town Clerk, Personal Services | 1,500.00 |
| A1440.40 Engineer, Contractual Expense | 2,700.00 |
| A1650.40 Central Communication Systems, Cont. Expense | 9,100.00 |
| A3310.40 Traffic Control, Contractual Expense | 1,300.00 |
| A3620.20 Safety Inspection, Equipment | 1,200.00 |
| A3620.10 Safety Inspection, Personal Services | 4,300.00 |
| A7180.40 Special Rec. Facilities, Contractual Expense | 900.00 |
| A7310.40 Youth Programs, Contractual Expense | 4,000.00 |
| A7310.41 Youth Programs, Ice Rink | 7,500.00 |

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| A9030.80 Social Security | 5,200.00 |
| A9050.80 Unemployment Insurance | 5,000.00 |
| A9060.80 Medical Insurance | 9,000.00 |
| A599 General Fund Balance | 43,345.00 |

A960 APPROPRIATIONS - \$ 90,045.00

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| A1110.40 Justices, Contractual Expense | 1,600.00 |
| A1410.40 Town Clerk, Contractual Expense | 1,700.00 |
| A1620.20 Buildings, Equipment | 75.00 |
| A1670.40 Central Printing and Mailing, Contractual Expense | 20.00 |
| A7110.20 Park Maintenance, Equipment & Capital Outlay | 14,520.00 |
| A7140.40 Playground & Rec Center, Contractual Expense | 1,220.00 |
| A7310.42 Ice Rink, Sullivan 180 Grant | 70,000.00 |
| A7550.40 Celebration, Contractual Expense | 320.00 |
| A8160.40 Refuse & Garbage, Contractual Expense | 590.00 |

DA960 APPROPRIATIONS - \$ 4,200.00

DA5148.10 Services to Other Governments, Personal Services 4,200.00

DA960 APPROPRIATIONS - \$ 4,200.00

DA5142.40 Snow Removal, Contractual Expense 4,200.00

SL-1-960 Appropriation \$ 260.00

SL-1-599 Fund Balance \$ 260.00

SL-1-5182.40 Grahamsville Light District, Contractual Expense 260.00

Moved by: Councilperson Richard Coombe Jr.

Seconded by: Councilperson Scott Grey

And Adopted on Motion: February 11, 2026

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board **entered** into **Executive Session** at 8:10pm on motion made by Supervisor Chris Mathews, seconded by Councilperson Scott Grey, **to discuss performance, hiring and firing of individuals**, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

The Board **returned** from **Executive Session** at 8:43pm on motion made by Councilperson Scott Grey seconded by Councilperson Jim Schmidt, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

OTHER

1. Councilperson **Richard Coombe Jr. discussed his progress with “Land Swaps” within the Town between the CWC and the NYSDEP.** He mentioned that the **property adjacent to the Route 42 Park is a property that could potentially be**

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“swapped” but cautioned that the process is in its early stages and could take a very long time to conclude.

2. The following motion was made:

A motion was made by Councilperson Nicole Gorr, seconded by Councilperson Jim Schmidt to **appoint Ben Conable as ZBA Board Alternate member**, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

PAYMENTS OF CLAIMS AND VOUCHERS

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| Health Insurance | \$ 93,821.18 |
| Vendor Payments | \$ 2,064.04 |
| Abstract #2 | <u>\$186,343.17</u> |
| Total | \$282,228.39 |

Vouchers, Claims were reviewed by the Board and authorized to be paid on motion by Councilperson Scott Grey, seconded by Councilperson Jim Schmidt, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

VOTE: AYES 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT 0.

ADJOURN OR RECESS

On motion by Councilperson Scott Grey, seconded by Supervisor Chris Mathews, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46pm, put to a vote and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Staci Conjura, Town Clerk