

**TOWN OF PLATTSBURGH
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION AGENDA
February 26, 2026**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by the presiding officer at the Town of Plattsburgh Town Hall, 151 Banker Road.

MEMBERS:

PRESENT ABSENT

Charles A. Kostyk, Supervisor	X
Thomas E. Wood, Councilor	X
Dana M. Isabella, Councilor	X
Daniel A. Bosely, Councilor	X
Ilona M. Kelting, Councilor	X
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Matthew G. Favro, Town Attorney	X

Public Comments:

No Public Comments

Supervisor's Report:

Overview of items:

NYSEG customer service session on Monday, March 2, 4–7 PM — reps available to help constituents with bills (no formal presentation).

Major infrastructure planning: Lake Champlain Basin Program presentation on Old Base storm sewer planning, moving forward with funding pursuit and studies.

Housing activity: White Pines / Wallace Hill (70 units), Hamlin Heights (200 workforce units),

Battlefield Memorial Gateway Phase 2 underway and Phase 3 planning starting. Grants & funding highlights: \$600,000 target for planning study, \$160,000 technical assistance grant, \$60,000 federal grant folding into planning funds.

Operational updates: e-waste drop-off program (free recycling), IT/computer replacement with OCA, new security/access upgrades for Town Hall and Justice Court.



NYSEG Customer Session & Logistics:

Event: NYSEG customer service session on Monday, March 2, 4–7 PM. Session is not a presentation; customer service representatives will provide one-on-one bill assistance and program/rate guidance. Representatives are not rate decision-makers; assistance is limited to bill review and recommending rates/programs. Setup will use L-shaped tables with customer service representatives seated for individual consultations; general staff will circulate. Event is open to the public; promoted on Facebook, via "96" customer messages, and on the news; large turnout anticipated.

Old Base Storm Sewer Planning & Funding:

Effort started last summer with Senator Schumer's office. Presentation to the Lake Champlain Basin Program by Jessica and Trevor; I will attend. Seeking \$600,000 for a planning study of the storm sewer on base properties. \$60,000 federal grant will be folded into the planning funds. Planning study will initiate replacement planning and enable continued collaboration with the Army Corps.

Housing Projects: White Pines, Hamlin Heights, BMG:

Wallace Hill extension (White Pines) funded by Technical Assistance Grant to Grow Pro-Housing Communities. Project size, 70 units; partners JCEO and Plattsburgh Housing Authority. Project must follow State Uniform Fire Building Code (including insulation); solar panels are not mandatory.

Hamlin Heights (Tom Miller Road) submitted for planning-board sketch; unit count increased from 120 to 200 for workforce housing targeting ARC-eligible population. Front lots reserved for commercial per Smart Growth corridor; sidewalk sought from ARC bus garage area to Plaza Boulevard; rear pathway expected as primary pedestrian route.

Battlefield Memorial Gateway: Phase 2 contracted with Luck Brothers; pre-construction meeting scheduled week after next; Phase 3 planning underway with themed playground (Battle of Plattsburgh/Belfort); grant being pursued and bids planned for Phase 3 plans.

Operations: eWaste, IT, Facilities & Security:

Partnering with eWaste Plus to accept TVs, laptops, and other electronics from constituents and public at no charge; bin to be placed in Pole Barn during business hours; excludes refrigerators and items with compressors.

Office of Court Administration to replace local court computers with state OCA equipment; reduces local Microsoft per-workstation licensing costs and saves money.

Chamber of Commerce reported 18% drop in Canadian border crossings in January; November–December uptick flattened.



Codes may shut down a hotel facility (Days Inn) for noncompliance; enforcement prioritizes life safety and parties were given time to comply.

Draft resolutions for next week include stormwater plan for Everest recreation park to tie into town storm sewer, Justice Court camera/monitor upgrades, and three Town Hall access-control units for recently installed doors. New back-entry doors for water parks/facilities/highway; and resolution to accept Rick's retirement.

Jason (Highway) proposed a cost-saving approach to complete the long-stalled project by combining work with regular storm-sewer upgrades and piping updates in Champlain Park.

Draft Resolutions:

026-xxx Minutes

026-xxx Monthly Reports

026-xxx Proclamation Honoring the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Plattsburgh

026-xxx Recreation Program Contract of Services – Cookie Decorating

026-xxx Everest Rabideau Recreation Park - AEDA Proposal

026-xxx Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of a New Security System for the Justice Court

026-xxx Authorizing the Purchase and Installation of Three Additional Access Control Units for
Town Hall

026-xxx Retirement of Richard Rascoe from the Position of Building Maintenance Supervisor in the
Facilities Department for the Town of Plattsburgh

Committee Reports:

Ms. Isabella: Highway, Parks and Rec/Facilities and Planning Departments:

Planning: Attended the NYAOT battery storage information session. Relates to Battery-storage moratorium which ends in April; plan to propose a local law before expiration or to extend the moratorium.

Vestibule project (Town Hall entryway) going out to bid soon.

Top Dog contest starts tomorrow.

Noon Rotary is celebrating their 100 year anniversary, town will present a proclamation at their March 14th meeting.

Town Board meeting be adjourned at 6:26 PM.

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