

Marcellus Town Board
Town Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 5, 2026
6:30 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, in the Town Hall, 22 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York.

Present: Jane Attley	Supervisor
Jeff Berwald	Councilor
Percy Clarke	Councilor
Terry Hoey	Councilor
Karen Pollard	Councilor

Also Present: Mr. Gascon, Town Counsel; Mike Ossit, Highway Superintendent; Don MacLachlan, Park and Recreation Director; John Houser, Codes Officer; Linda Wilcox, Town Historian; Bill Southern, Dave Card, Fire Department; Patty Bishop, Tim Chase, Ryan Coon, Art and Nancy Hudson, Courtney Rae Kasper, Nikita Jankowski, Ally Spongr Degen, Rosemary Tozzi, Town Clerk.

PUBLIC HEARING: Sewer District Consolidation

Mr. Gascon, Town Counsel, the Town of Marcellus, had two sewer districts. By combining the two districts there will be some benefits including financial benefits. We introduced the local law and the contract combining the two districts a month ago, and now is the public hearing to hear any comments from the public with respect to the combination of the districts, and we have prepared an enactment resolution for this evening.

Bill Southern, Marcellus resident, "I speak in favor of the consolidation. I think it's a good idea to simplify bookkeeping for the town and spread out some of the cost over a wider base potentially. I strongly recommend you pass it."

Nancy Hudson, Camillus resident, "What do you see the savings to be to consolidate?"

Mr. Gascon, Town Counsel, by combining the two districts, the Town increases the amount of funding that is available. All the residents that are in the sewer district are combining their total revenue ability if an expensive repair is needed. Otherwise, without the consolidation there may not be enough funds accumulated to effectuate the repair. So, the Town is pooling the residents together and the funding together.

Bill Southern, Marcellus resident, "If you didn't have the funding, you'd have to float bonds to do the repair. There'd be interest costs on that bond. This just allows the cost to be shifted back and forth across the district. So, there's a big benefit to the town, potential large savings in the future. "

Don MacLachlan, Marcellus resident, "Are you going to collect for a reserve?"

Mr. Gascon, Town Counsel, the Town is now creating reserves, it was started last year.

Councilor Berwald, "Jim, in Section 3 under the description of the jurisdictional area I saw Scotch Hill Road was in there twice. I didn't know, is that a mistake, or is it because it's talking about both sides of the road?"

Bill Southern, Marcellus resident, both sides. Scotch Hill has one district on one side and one district on the other side. Scotch Hill has the Knowles on one side of the road and for the town on the other side of the road. So that's why it's listed twice.

Councilor Clarke made a motion seconded by Councilor Berwald to close the public hearing at 6:35PM.

Ayes – Attley, Berwald, Clarke, Hoey and Pollard

Carried

**TOWN OF MARCELLUS
TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION
August 5, 2026**

**AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF MARCELLUS SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE
JOINT CONSOLIDATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MARCELLUS
AND CERTAIN EXISTING TOWN OF MARCELLUS SEWER DISTRICTS**

The following resolution was offered by Councilor Berwald, who moved its adoption, seconded by Councilor Pollard, to wit:

WHEREAS, from time-to-time, the Town of Marcellus has formed individual sewer districts throughout the Town in order to provide sanitary sewer service and to provide for the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the Town of Marcellus in certain areas of the Town by transporting sewage from properties in the Town for treatment at the Village of Marcellus Water Pollution Control Plant; and

WHEREAS, Article 17-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (specifically Section 750-793 thereof, effective March 21, 2010) authorizes the consolidation of special districts within a Town to facilitate such consolidations where deemed to be advantageous to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus has previously discussed the consolidation of the various sewer districts referenced in the attached Schedule "A" into a single joint consolidated sewer district to allow for the effective management and financing of district assets and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Town previously caused the preparation of a proposed Joint Consolidation Agreement for the aforesaid existing sewer districts into one (1) joint consolidated sewer district pursuant to Article 17 of the General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, the new joint consolidated sewer district entity would assume jurisdiction over all areas in the Town of Marcellus that were previously served by the various individual districts; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Marcellus Town Board, as lead agency, on behalf of the various existing sewer districts previously determined that the proposed action would not have a significant adverse effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, a Negative Declaration was adopted by the Town Board on July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously determined to hold a public hearing on August 5, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, so that the matter could be heard by the public; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing for such purpose was published in the official newspaper as required under the General Municipal Law, was posted on the Town's official signboard and placed upon the Town's website; and

WHEREAS, said Notice of Public Hearing contained a descriptive summary of the proposed Joint Consolidation Agreement; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was held on August 5, 2026, as scheduled.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, on behalf of the various existing sewer districts in the Town of Marcellus, hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute the proposed Joint Consolidation Agreement between the Town of Marcellus and the existing sewer districts in the Town of Marcellus, regarding their consolidation into a single, joint consolidated sewer district, such that this resolution establishes said joint consolidated sewer district without further order of the Town Board.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Jane Attley	Town Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Terry Hoey	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeff Berwald	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Percy Clarke III	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Karen Pollard	Councilor	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Town board is also waiving the five-day notice requirement as some adjustments were made due to additional information that was received.

DATED: August 5, 2026

SCHEDULE "A"
Sewer District One
All those parcels of land as follows:

009.-01-01.0 DiMarzo Roseann
009.-01-02.0 Naughton Thomas
009.-01-03.0 Renner Tamara
009.-01-04.0 CLC Foundation Inc. as Trustee
009.-01-05.0 Wolicki Living Trust,
009.-01-06.0 Benz Casey
009.-01-07.0 Bandera Loretta
009.-01-08.0 Carlson Edward
009.-01-09.0 Poole Christopher
009.-01-10.0 Houser John
009.-01-11.0 Bella Taft, LLC
009.-01-12.0 Montaque Edward
009.-01-13.0 Bohla Emerson
009.-01-14.0 Watling Andrew
009.-01-15.0 Foster Alan
009.-01-16.0 Heil Thomas
009.-01-17.0 Uitvlugt Michael
009.-01-18.0 Hahn Raymond, as Trustee
009.-02-01.0 Amedro Edward
009.-02-02.0 Ciarlei Joseph
009.-02-03.0 McInerney Michael
009.-02-04.0 Yacano Kristin
009.-02-05.0 Tucker Kermit
009.-02-06.0 Zinn Walter
009.-02-07.0 Kaser Josef
009.-02-08.0 Brown Steven
009.-02-09.0 Bianchine Thomas
009.-02-10.0 Battaglia David
009.-03-01.0 Kinsley Matthew
009.-03-02.0 Tamul Christopher J.
009.-03-03.0 Brown Deanna
009.-03-04.0 Molinari Christopher
009.-03-05.0 Parlin Jeff
009.-03-06.0 Dineen Laura
009.-03-07.0 Robb James
009.-04-01.0 McCarthy Kyle
009.-04-02.0 Welsh Michael
009.-04-03.0 Farnett Christopher
009.-04-04.0 Kelly William
009.-04-05.0 MacLachlan Lisa
009.-04-06.0 Kelly Kevin
009.-04-07.0 Fletcher Ronald
009.-04-08.0 Kim Joshua
009.-04-09.0 O'Connor Peter
009.-04-10.0 Dorio Craig
009.-05-01.0 Darby Benjamin
009.-05-02.0 Tesch Levi
009.-05-03.0 Smith J. Casey
009.-05-04.0 Waters Matthew
009.-05-05.0 Mc Clusky Martin
009.-05-06.0 Servello Vicki
009.-05-07.0 Kaser Walter
009.-05-08.0 Gilmore Amanda
009.-05-09.0 Brady Thomas
009.-05-10.1 Fulton Molly
009.-05-10.2 Fischmann Joan
009.-05-11.0 Pawlewicz John

009.-05-12.0 Tuttle Earl
009.-05-14.0 Cummings Robert
009.-05-15.0 Stoddard Erle
009.-05-16.1 Southern William
009.-05-18.0 Parker Stephen
009.-05-19.0 Firsch Melanie
009.-05-20.0 Limestone Ridge LLC
009.-05-21.0 Meyer Vernon
009.-05-22.0 Farrell Robert
009.-06-01.0 Ellinwood Dean
009.-06-02.0 Delahanty Timothy
009.-06-03.0 Marsh James
009.-06-04.0 Rothbaler Edwin
009.-06-05.0 Millett Philip A.
009.-06-06.0 Williams Christopher
009.-06-07.0 Cooper Kerri
009.-06-08.0 Nellie F Ramsden Lvg Tst
009.-06-09.0 Addabbo Philip
009.-06-10.0 Radionov Aleksandr
009.-06-11.0 Czerniak Michael
009.-06-12.0 Drabot Stanley
009.-06-13.0 Beamish Robert
009.-06-14.0 Cost Patricia
009.-06-15.0 Chase Timothy
009.-06-16.0 Pskowski James
009.-06-17.0 VanBeveren Michael
009.-06-18.0 Cook William
009.-06-19.0 Taylor Matthew Joseph
009.-06-20.0 Collins Casey
009.-06-21.0 Hopper Kevin D.
009.-07-01.0 Heintz Jared
009.-07-02.0 Harty Shannon
009.-07-03.0 Mineau Gabrielle
009.-07-04.0 Hammond Brian
009.-07-05.0 Robb Alan
009.-07-06.0 Coleman Barbara
009.-07-07.0 Williams Nathan J.
009.-07-08.0 Felice April
009.-07-09.0 Goldsworthy John
009.-07-10.0 Hewitt Marta
009.-07-11.0 Phillips Ana
009.-07-12.0 Morris Kyle
009.-07-13.0 Murphy James
009.-07-14.0 Daniel J. Ross Lvg Trust
009.-07-15.0 Novak Ryan
009.-07-16.0 Flynn Edward F.
009.-07-17.0 Radionov Andrey
009.-07-18.0 Deyo David
009.-07-19.0 Justian Michael
009.-07-20.0 Capp Amanda
009.-07-21.0 Page Erwin
009.-07-22.0 Evans Robert
009.-07-23.0 Williams Andy S.
009.-07-24.0 Hartigan Michael
009.-08-01.0 Whitford Robert
009.-08-02.0 Tanner Scott
009.-08-03.0 Fowler Thomas
009.-08-04.0 Unger Adam

SCHEDULE "A"
Sewer District Two

All those parcels of land as follows:

008.-01-02.0 Finn Thomas
008.-01-03.0 MacLachlan Donald
008.-01-04.0 Crosley Martin
008.-01-05.0 Rogalia Kelly L.
008.-02-01.1 Walsh John
008.-02-02.0 William J Farrell 2018 Tr
008.-02-03.0 Pikarski Richard
008.-02-04.0 Church Katherine
008.-02-05.0 Weiss Aaron Bradford
008.-02-06.0 Barrigar Kenneth C.
008.-02-07.0 Sawmiller Sarah
008.-02-08.0 Manning Mark M
008.-02-09.0 Yang Junjie
008.-02-10.0 Kianka Michael
008.-02-11.0 Rice Jack M.
008.-02-12.0 9 Mile Homes LLC
008.-02-13.0 Hardenburgh Carl
008.-02-14.0 Belden Properties, LLC.
008.-02-15.0 Van Beusichem Andrea
008.-02-16.1 Markell Jason
008.-02-17.0 Davis Sara
008.-02-18.0 STREAM BANK Revocable Trust
008.-02-19.0 Davis Stacey
008.-02-20.0 Zajac Scott
008.-02-21.1 LeFever Neil
008.-02-22.0 Sherman Kurt
008.-02-23.0 Kaufman Brian M.
008.-02-24.0 Glomb Joseph
008.-02-25.0 Thorpe Duane
008.-02-26.0 Hamilton Hannah
008.-02-27.0 Hudson Mark
008.-02-28.0 Kotlarz Brian
008.-02-29.0 Oldfield Molly Allison
008.-02-30.0 Dixon Richard B.
008.-02-33.0 The 5 brothers be, LLC
008.-02-34.0 Hullihen Nicholas J.
008.-02-35.0 Oldaker Thomas
008.-02-36.0 Field Harold
008.-02-37.0 Sweet Eugene L
008.-02-38.0 Togni Ronald
008.-02-39.0 Benedetto Nancy
008.-02-40.0 Valentine Lisa
008.-02-41.0 Raven Heidi
008.-02-42.0 Laclair Wayne
008.-04-01.0 ASR Living Trust
008.-04-02.0 Palen Robert
008.-04-04.0 Swierczek Stephen
008.-04-05.0 Cornish Matthew
008.-04-06.0 Bingham Michelle
008.-04-07.0 Irrevocable Trust Pfau Family
008.-04-08.0 PARKER MICHAEL J.
008.-04-09.0 Thomas & Joan Russell Irr. Tru
008.-04-10.0 Preston Eliot
008.-04-11.0 Brienza John
008.-04-12.0 Crysler Garrett E
008.-04-13.0 Markell Linda
008.-04-14.0 Marocco Lawrence
008.-04-15.0 Goral Christine
008.-04-16.0 Gay Peter
008.-04-17.0 Kelly Walter

008.-04-18.0 King Martin
 008.-04-19.0 Movsoich David
 008.-04-20.0 Hawley Kathleen
 008.-04-21.0 Bednarczyk Lawrence
 008.-04-22.0 De Wan James
 008.-04-23.0 Thorpe Michael
 008.-04-24.0 Bishop David
 008.-04-25.0 Stevens Melissa
 008.-04-26.0 White Joshua
 008.-04-27.0 Maclachlan William
 008.-04-28.0 Esterguard Thomas
 008.-04-29.0 Cross Nicole
 008.-04-30.0 Pikarski Adam
 008.-05-03.0 Maders Cottles Fabiola
 008.-05-04.0 Schultz David
 008.-05-05.0 Carter Jennifer
 008.-05-06.0 Copeland Brian
 008.-05-07.0 Fraher III Thomas
 008.-05-08.0 Thompson Joanne
 008.-05-09.0 McKenty Living Trust
 008.-05-10.0 Cartner David
 008.-05-11.0 Ritchie Gary
 008.-06-01.0 Fellows Brian M.
 008.-06-02.0 Carey Howard
 008.-06-03.1 Kudlick Tyler
 008.-06-04.0 Viele Gary
 008.-06-05.0 King Janet
 008.-06-06.0 Hettinger Joanne
 008.-06-07.0 Takach David
 008.-06-08.0 Ossit Michael
 008.-06-09.0 Ossit Michael
 008.-06-10.0 Chunco Charlotte
 008.-06-11.0 McNaney Thomas
 008.-06-12.0 Magiera Joshua
 008.-06-13.0 Potter Barrie
 008.-06-14.0 Armstrong Carol
 008.-06-15.0 Tucker Timothy
 008.-06-16.0 Villa Michael
 008.-06-17.0 New York + Partners LLC
 008.-06-18.0 Stevens Wilson
 008.-06-21.0 Fagan Christina
 008.-06-22.2 Beardslee Logan
 008.-06-24.0 Caines Charles
 009.-05-13.0 Ballard Mary
 012.-01-88.0 Hettinger James
 012.-01-89.0 Abbott Nathan D.
 012.-01-90.1 Moro David
 012.-01-91.0 Fuller Mary
 012.-01-92.1 Striffler Randall
 014.-03-18.0 Ridgeway John
 014.-03-20.0 Durand Joseph
 014.-03-21.0 Bayne Bruce
 014.-03-22.0 Bayne Bruce
 014.-03-23.0 Reynolds Scott
 014.-03-24.0 Harter Melissa
 014.-03-25.0 Family Irrevocable Trust Pearson
 014.-03-27.0 Coville Christopher
 014.-03-28.0 of Marcellus LLC K & J Properties
 014.-03-29.0 Karlovitz Kathleen
 014.-03-30.0 Longuil John
 014.-04-01.0 Peatfield David
 014.-04-02.0 Bishop Daniel

014.-04-03.0 March Susan
 014.-04-04.0 Sammon Brian
 014.-04-05.0 Gadawski Paul
 014.-04-06.0 Defeo Jeanette
 014.-04-07.0 Donahue Kaitlin
 014.-04-11.0 Sorrentino Lynnsey
 014.-04-12.0 Isgar John
 014.-04-13.0 Holmes John
 014.-04-14.0 Roche Judith
 014.-04-15.0 Wollschlager Bruce
 014.-04-16.0 Stevens Helen
 014.-04-17.0 Murphy James
 014.-04-18.0 McFall Julie Marie
 014.-05-07.0 Thiel Mary
 014.-05-08.0 Perry Carolyn
 014.-06-04.0 Family Protection Trust The Cole Irrevocable
 014.-06-05.0 Mitchell Living Trust Charles and Theresa
 014.-06-06.0 Bourdon Ryan
 014.-06-08.0 Young Timothy
 014.-06-09.0 Napier Rosalind
 014.-06-10.0 McBride Roberta
 014.-06-11.1 Larkin John
 014.-06-12.0 Irrevocable Trust William A & Andrea J
 014.-06-13.0 Riggall Cindy
 014.-06-14.0 Grooms Carrie Ann L.
 014.-06-15.0 O'Neil Irrev. Trust
 014.-06-16.0 Bedford Jaqueline
 014.-06-17.0 Woods, Trustee Robert
 014.-07-01.0 Metz Kyle
 014.-07-02.0 Redfield Richard
 014.-07-03.0 Howell Kelly
 014.-07-04.0 Brown Laura
 014.-07-05.0 Stock Raymond
 014.-07-06.0 Murray Scott
 014.-07-07.0 Parvel Todd
 014.-07-08.0 Abbott Daniel
 014.-07-09.0 Richards Frederick
 014.-07-10.0 Blake Thomas
 014.-07-11.0 Evans Jennifer
 014.-11-01.0 Rury Virginia
 014.-11-02.0 Kendall Keith R.
 014.-11-03.0 Powell David
 014.-13-04.0 Meier Jennifer
 014.-13-05.0 Darling Rachel
 014.-13-06.0 Meade Family Trust
 014.-13-07.0 Korycinski Margaret

A copy of the sewer consolidation contract is available in the Town Clerk's office during business hours.

Waive the Reading and Accept the Minutes: Councilor Berwald made a motion seconded by Councilor Hoey to waive the reading and accept the minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk for July 1, 2026, Town Board meeting and for July 15, 2026, Workshop meeting.

Ayes – Attley, Berwald, Clarke, Hoey and Pollard

Carried

Monthly Activity: The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #7 for July 23, 2026, Claim 's # 159828-159829, 159831-159836.

Expenses

General Fund	\$15,787.84
Part Town General	2,419.68
Part Town Highway	4,698.39
Trust and Agency	1,888.27
Total	\$24,794.18

The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk.
Abstract #7 for July 24, 2026, Claim # 159837.

Expenses

General Fund	\$682.50
Part Town General	126.74
Part Town Highway	106.88
Total	\$916.12

The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk.
Abstract #8 for August 5, 2026, Claim 's # 159853-159908.

Expenses

General Fund	\$20,898.96
Townwide Highway	56,964.92
Part Town Highway	3,358.52
Sewer District	49,719.61
Water District	93,147.00
Total	\$224,089.01

Board Members were given the Activities Report as of July 30, 2026. Fiscal year 2026 Period 7.

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
General Fund	(1,411,640.66)	786,931.37
Part Town General	(223,087.00)	102,404.88
Townwide Highway	(681,716.78)	257,402.41
Part Town Highway	(390,812.90)	147,646.48
Fire District	(447,652.39)	307,370.25
Hydrant Fund	(3,492.86)	1,797.83
Ambulance Fund	(311,770.37)	233,821.50
Sewer District	(216,174.80)	88,248.15
Water District	(174,856.69)	87,952.90

Bank Balances:

The total of all Bank Balances for June 2026 is \$5,794,180.22

Councilor Hoey made a motion seconded by Councilor Berwald to approve the Abstract of Audited Voucher Report for July 23, 2026, July 24, 2026, August 5, 2026, the Activities Report as of July 30, 2026, and the bank balance as of June 2026.

Ayes – Attley, Berwald, Clarke, Hoey and Pollard

Carried

Old Business:

Hazard Mitigation Plan: Is a proactive or long-term action taken to permanently eliminate or reduce the risks to human life and property from hazards like floods and wildfires. The Onondaga County Department of Planning has completed the 2025 five-year update of the Onondaga County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for the County and its municipalities.

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MARCELLUS
AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2025 ONONDAGA COUNTY
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE**

August 5, 2026

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF MARCELLUS recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the TOWN OF MARCELLUS; and

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF MARCELLUS has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as THE 2025 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, THE 2025 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the town from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the TOWN OF MARCELLUS demonstrates their commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2025 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF MARCELLUS, NY, THAT:

In accordance with NYS MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW, the TOWN OF MARCELLUS adopts the ONONDAGA COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL 2025 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN. This plan, approved by the community, may be edited or amended after submission for review, but will not require the community

to re-adopt any further iterations. This only applies to this specific plan and does not absolve the community from updating the plan in five (5) years.

ADOPTED, on this 5th day of August 2026 by the following vote.

Jane Attley	Town Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Jeff Berwald	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Terry Hoey	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Karen Pollard	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Percy Clarke III	Councilor	Voted	Yes

Dated: August 5, 2026

A copy of the Hazard Mitigation Plan is available in the Town Clerk's office during business hours.

Set Budget Meetings: Councilor Pollard, spoke to Lori Petrocci, Budget Officer, regarding the budget meetings. Ms. Petrocci will be giving the tentative budget to the Town Clerk to present to the Town Board at the August 19, 2026, workshop meeting. Councilor Pollard suggested scheduling the meetings after the tentative budget has been received.

Councilor Berwald, Ms. Petrocci emailed the Town Board members stating that budget meetings should be set during the period of August 10, 2026, through September 3, 2026.

Councilor Pollard, we should be thinking about the tax cap override local law that is normally passed in case the Town goes over the 2%.

Councilor Clarke, we should wait until after the 19th until we have the tentative budget from Ms. Petrocci.

Councilor Hoey, the tentative budget is solely based on budget requests from departments.

Councilor Pollard, yes, the tentative budget will have all the department requests, that budget we can alter. Once it becomes preliminary, we can't make changes unless a meeting is held.

Councilor Berwald made a motion seconded by Councilor Hoey to set the budget meeting dates for Wednesday, August 26, 2026, at 4:00 pm, Wednesday, September 2, 2026, at 4:00 pm, Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 4:00 pm and Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 4:00pm.

Ayes – Attley, Berwald, Clarke, Hoey and Pollard

Carried

New Business:

Harriet Tubman Byway Resolution: Nikita Jankowski and Ally Spongr Degon presented the following information during the meeting: The Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway traces the path freedom seekers once traveled through New York State — from Auburn, home of Harriet Tubman herself, all the way to Niagara Falls and the Canadian border. It's a living, drivable tribute to courage, community, and the pursuit of freedom, and it's quickly becoming one of the most meaningful heritage tourism corridors in the state. The Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway's Phase 1 (Auburn to Niagara Falls) was recently completed. The Byway team and local stakeholders secured resolutions from all municipalities within Phase 1 jurisdiction and have submitted a Corridor Management Plan to the New York State Department of transportation (NYSDOT). Bills passed in the Senate (S9057) and Assembly (A10194) for Phase 1 on June 4, 2026, and Governor Hochul signed Phase into law on June 13, 2026. Marcellus sits along the proposed Phase 2 route extending the byway from Onondaga County to New

York City, as part of a full 550-mile border-to-border journey. It costs the town nothing and would connect Marcellus to a growing statewide movement honoring one of the most important chapters in New York State's history. We would be honored to add Marcellus to this list. To put minds at ease: the resolution simply commits the town to not approving new large, off-premises commercial billboards along the corridor (to keep it scenic). On-premises business signs, directional signs, municipal signs, and NYSDOT-funded byway finding signage (installed at zero cost to the town) are all fully unaffected, and existing billboards are grandfathered in.

**Resolution for Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway Nomination
and Corridor Management Plan Adoption**

WHEREAS, the historic qualities of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway, as described in the corridor management plan, and the surrounding areas have been appreciated and celebrated for over a century by the residents of New York State, as well as tourists, historians, artists, authors, and other visitors to the region; and it is this unique combination of the journeys of Harriet Tubman and those Freedom Seekers who traveled on the Underground Railroad that create the special sense of place that is vital in telling the New York story of the human desire for freedom and the historic sites they utilized during their journey to emancipation; and

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway, composed of representatives of 22 municipalities along the proposed scenic byway route, committed to working cooperatively to protect and promote the historic, scenic, recreational, and economic well-being of the 550-mile Corridor throughout the state and agreed to pursue the nomination of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway Steering Committee, each of the 22 counties contributed to the development of this corridor management plan by encouraging public participation, confirming the vision and goals, and leading individual meetings of the Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, the Steering Committee of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway, consisting of relatives of Harriet Tubman, descendants of Freedom Seekers, Harriet Tubman and/or Underground Railroad historians, representatives from state and federal agencies, has strengthened the historic integrity, representation, and the principles of the corridor management plan; and

WHEREAS, in the process of developing this corridor management plan, the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway Steering Committee has strengthened the bonds of inter-municipal cooperation, and the involved entities envision further benefit through scenic byway designation including sustained collaborative progress, increased funding opportunities for recommendations identified in the plan, enhanced partnerships with agencies responsible for the stewardship of resources along and adjacent to the byway route, and an improved visitor experience that interprets and promotes the corridor's intrinsic qualities and resources; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Marcellus supports the designation of the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway which includes programs for stewardship and enhancement of the historic scenic byway and guidance to manage future activities along its corridor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Marcellus confirms that they will not approve any requests for new off-premises outdoor advertising signs along the designated Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway route; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Marcellus confirms that they will abide by and follow all existing New York State and Federal laws and regulations that are applicable to this resolution and..."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Marcellus will work in partnership with the other municipalities along the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway and local and regional stakeholders in order to support future Byway programs, economic development, marketing, and collaborate with these interested entities to explore opportunities for cooperation to realize the Scenic Byway goals.

Councilor Pollard made a motion seconded by Councilor Clarke to pass the resolution for the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad New York Scenic Byway nomination and Corridor Management Plan Adoption

Ayes – Attley, Berwald, Clarke, Hoey and Pollard

Carried

Quote for LifeVac and CPR Masks: MAVES provided a quote for five LifeVac Travel kits (anti choking devices) and 5 CPR resuscitator masks with adult/child & infant in hard case for a total cost of \$417.60. These life saving tools will be added to the first aid kits along with the AEDs.

Councilor Berwald made a motion seconded Councilor Pollard to approve the purchase of the five LifeVac Travel kits (anti choking devices) and five CPR resuscitator masks with adult/child & infant in hard case for a total cost of \$417.60.

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD FOR THE
TOWN OF MARCELLUS TERMINATING THE
MORATORIUM ON BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS**

August 5, 2026

This Resolution was moved by Councilor Pollard, and seconded by Councilor Berwald:

WHEREAS, the Town enacted Local Law No. 1 of the year 2026 entitled "A Local Law Imposing a Twelve (12) Month Moratorium on Battery Energy Storage Systems with the Town of Marcellus"; and

WHEREAS, since the implementation of said local law, several versions of a comprehensive Battery Energy Storage System Law have been prepared for Town Board consideration by the Town Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of a moratorium was primarily focused on large scale commercial facilities; and

WHEREAS, there are currently pending no such commercial Battery Energy Storage Systems in the Town; and

WHEREAS, there are several residential property owners, either under contract or in negotiations for the installation of residential solar energy systems, awaiting removal of the moratorium.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED pursuant to Section 5 B. of the Town of Marcellus Local Law No. 1 of 2026, A Local Law Imposing a Twelve (12) Month Moratorium on Battery Energy Storage Systems, the Town Board hereby enacts this resolution terminating the moratorium on the basis that the Board is satisfied the need for the moratorium no longer exists.

The foregoing resolution was put to a vote with the following result:

Jane Attley	Town Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Terry Hoey	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jeff Berwald	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Percy Clarke III	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Karen Pollard	Councilor	Voted	Yes

DATED: August 5, 2026

Reports From Department Heads

Codes: John Houser, Codes Officer; noting to report.

Highway Department: Mike Ossit, Highway Superintendent; the Highway Department has been busy helping the park staff with building the new amphitheater.

Parks and Recreation: Don MacLachlan, Park and Recreation Director; summer recreation program is over and went well. I'd like to thank the firemen for providing a water sprinkler day during summer recreation, the kids loved it. There has been vandalism in one of the bathrooms at the park, between the Creek Hollow and Stone Mill pavilions. So, we're only opening it if we have a pavilion reserved because there are bathrooms on each side. The new amphitheater is coming along. We plan to run power from the post that is there. It's simple and very inexpensive. While talking to an electrician he said there's not a lot of electricity on the far side of the park. He said if you want to spend a little more money, it would be a good time to do it. What do you guys think? Do you want to spend a little more money and get it to that point, or just do what we have planned? There is money in the park budget. Something to think about. The electricity work will not be started until October after the last movie in the park is scheduled.

Town Clerk - Monthly Report: Rosemary Tozzi, Town Clerk; presented the monthly report for July 2026.

Dog Licensing \$479.00

Certified Copies of Marriage \$10.00

Passports \$210.00

Conservation \$17.39

Freon Removal \$15.00

Marriage Licensing Fees \$122.50

Building \$1,528.00

Zoning Fees \$300.00

On Monday a resident called Town Hall, she reported a dead goose in the lake near her property. She called DEC, they told her they would not do anything and to contact the Town, I called Mike. Mike and Jeremy removed the dead goose and a dead fish from the lake for the resident. She called Town Hall to thank the Highway Department for how fast they took care of the issue and said they did a great job!

Discussion Agenda:

Nancy Hudson, Camillus resident, will the closing of the park restroom be permanent or temporary?

Don MacLachlan, they will be open if the closest pavilion is rented or there is a scheduled event.

Fire Department: Dave Card had nothing to report.

Councilor Pollard requested a meeting with council after the Town Board meeting.

Adjournment: Councilor Clarke made a motion seconded Councilor Berwald to adjourn the Meeting at 7:30 PM.

Ayes – Attley, Berwald, Clarke, Hoey and Pollard

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Tozzi

Town Clerk