

REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING APRIL 8TH 2025

The Town of Mayfield held the Regular Monthly Meeting on April 8th, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Mayfield Municipal Complex, 28 N. School St. Mayfield NY 12117. The meeting was opened by Supervisor Brandon Lehr with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Supervisor Brandon Lehr
Councilwoman Lesley Lanzi
Councilman Jack Putman
Councilman Thomas Ruliffson
ABSENT: Councilman Ralph Desiderio

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Jeff Martin, Assessor Connie Henry, Dan Sardelli, Mark Deyle, Bob Murphy, Pete Stears, Cathy Stears, Bob Johnson, Tim Rizzo

PUBLIC COMMENT: Bob Murphy stated that he is still here and does not want his road to be forgotten. Tim Rizzo spoke at length about Pro Housing and the benefits to the town.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Highway Superintendent Jeff Martin submitted his report stating that Right of ways were picked up on Nine Mile Tree Rd, Vandenburg, Lathrop, Proper and School St. The bridge on Tyrell Hill was replaced with a new culvert pipe. Skid Steer broke and was sent to bobcat dealer to be fixed. Roads to be paved are Proper Rd, Sunrise Dr, Lathrop Rd and Nine Mile Tree Rd for a total of 3.53 miles. New hire needs board approval. Fixed what we could from plow damage on lawns. Rubble was brought in as we were out. Also, sand was brought in for same reason. Road signs are being inventoried for insurance purposes. The town of Hope is borrowing our bucket truck. Fixed a frost heave on Priddle point and filled with rubble. Superintendent is on vacation April 12-19. Deputy Superintendent Chris Warner is filling in.

RES #47 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Town of Mayfield approves the hire of Roman Yudin as a highway employee.

RES #48 On motion by Councilwoman Lanzi, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Town of Mayfield will put the following roads out to bid; Proper Rd-5,467.3 feet; Sunrise Dr-3,030.5 feet; Lathrop Rd.-4,280.7 feet and Nine Mile Tree Rd-4,025.3 feet for a total of 3.53 miles. Bids are due back to the Clerks Office on May 30th at 1:00 to be opened by the Highway Committee at 1:05.

ASSESSOR

Assessor Connie Henry submitted her report stating that the Adamkoski case will only be settled on the 2022 tax year and waiting to see if he will accept. Necessary files had finally been provided to CloudPermit by the IT department finally, and training will be soon. An assistant has been hired, just waiting for Board approval. Grievance Day is May 27th 3 to 7 PM but need to confirm those times. Also, the assessor term is up on September 30, 2025. The terms are for 6 years.

RES #49 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the appointment of Corey Buckley as Assessor Assistant at a rate of \$18 per hour.

CODES

CEO/BI Norman Barbosa submitted his report stating that 4 permits were issued, 15 inspections were carried out, there were 4 complaints and 4 foil requests, one permit was closed and there were 16 office visits. There is an increase in calls for projects now that warmer weather is here. We interviewed a potential candidate for the assistant's position. The planning board has resumed evaluation of Sunset Bay RV resort and had on-site meetings.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER Karen Wilson has also submitted a report with a total of 7 animal complaints including goats, pigs and chickens. 5 dogs were taken to the shelter.

SUPERVISOR Brandon Lehr gave his report stating that a new part time codes officer will be starting upon Board approval, and the county must "create" this position as it is only part time and not Civil Service. The Town has also received a bill from the NYS Thruway for Tolls near New York City from a 2000 Internation Harvester we haven't owned in many years. A letter was sent to correct this.

OLD BUSINESS

CEMETERY CARETAKER

RES #50 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the appointment of Rebecca Gushue as Cemetery Caretaker for the 2025 season at \$1500 paid monthly.

CODES ASSISTANT

RES #51 On motion by Councilwoman Lanzi, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the appointment of David Edwards as a part-time Code Enforcement Officer at a rate of \$30.00 per hour for 12-15 hours weekly.

ACCOUNTING OF RECORDS

Not completed yet.

PRO HOUSING RESOLUTION – to pursue a designation as a pro housing community.

Lengthy discussion about the Pro Housing benefits

RES #52 On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the Pro Housing Community Resolution as written:

RESOLUTION 52

WHEREAS the Town of Mayfield (hereinafter "local government") believes that the lack of housing for New York residents of all ages and income levels negatively impacts the future of New York State's economic growth and community well-being:

WHEREAS the housing crisis has negative effects at regional and local levels, we believe that every community must do their part to contribute to housing growth and benefit from the positive impacts a healthy housing market brings to communities.

WHEREAS, we believe that supporting housing production of all kinds in our community will bring multiple benefits, including increasing housing access and choices for current and future residents, providing integrated accessible housing options that meet the needs of people with sensory and mobility disabilities, bringing economic opportunities and vitality to our communities, and allowing workers at all levels to improve their quality of life through living closer to their employment opportunities;

WHEREAS we believe that evidence showing that infill development that reduces sprawl and supports walkable communities has significant environmental and public health benefits, and WHEREAS we believe that affirmatively furthering fair housing and reducing segregation is not only required by law but is essential for keeping our community strong and vibrant.

WHEREAS the construction of the Upstate Ice Plex in the Town of Mayfield will provide a state-of-the-art recreational facility, enhancing community engagement and supporting economic growth in the area.

WHEREAS, the Upstate Ice Plex necessitates the expansion of infrastructure and utilities, which will bolster the surrounding communities' access to essential services, fostering regional development and connectivity.

WHEREAS the Upstate Ice Plex is in compliance with Pro Housing development guidelines as outlined by the New York State Homes and community Renewal (HCR), aligning with state priorities to support housing and community initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town of Mayfield, in order to take positive steps to alleviate the housing crisis, adopts the Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will have us endeavor to take the following important steps:

1. Streamlining permitting multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.
2. Adopting policies that affirmatively further fair housing.
3. Incorporating regional housing needs into planning decisions.
4. Increasing development capacity for residential uses.
5. Enacting policies that encourage a broad range of housing development, including multifamily housing, affordable housing, accessible housing, accessory dwelling units, and supportive housing.

LOCAL LAW #2

The local law for fencing is on hold pending review by the planning board.

HIGHWAY FIRE ALARM BIDS

Two bids were received for the Fire Alarm System for the Town Barn. The Bid was awarded to Parkside Fire and Security with a bid of \$21,800.00. Harold Clune submitted a bid for \$38,600.

RES #53 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board accepts the bid From Parkside Fire and Security for \$21,800.00.

APPOINT BEACH DIRECTOR

RES #54 On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the appointment of Parris Beach as Beach Director for the 2025 season at a salary of \$1,295 per pay period with the beach tentatively opening on June 27th and closing on August 24th with operating hours of 10 am to 6 pm. The beach will possibly open for the Gloversville 8th grade graduation providing the school pays for the lifeguards.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING BOARD – No report-Councilman Desiderio absent

GSLAC

Councilman Putman gave his report of meeting with the GSLAC stating that the group made over \$48,000 on the DVD of Harnessing Nature, and a budget balance of almost \$130,000. Dan Sardelli questioned where they get the money and what they are spending it on. The GSLAC will meet 3 to 4 times a year. Minnow boxes are being built by the Broadalbin Perth School. \$2500 will go to a Spring Clean up around the lake starting at Griffis Rd Marina. The dam work will take place in 2026.

PLANNING BOARD LIASION

Councilman Desiderio will be asked to attend both April and May meetings and Councilwoman Lanzi will attend the June meeting, subject to change.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RES #55 On motion by Councilwoman Lanzi, seconded by Councilman Putman the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the minutes from the March 11th meeting.

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS

RES #56 On motion by Councilman Ruliffson, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the transfer of \$50.00 Tax Collector Petty Cash back to Cemetery Petty Cash.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

RES #57 On motion by Councilman Putman, seconded by Councilwoman Lanzi the following resolution was adopted 4 AYES (Lehr, Lanzi, Putman, Ruliffson)

RESOLVED that the Mayfield Town Board approves the vouchers in the following accounts for Abstract #4 of 2025.

A.	GENERAL TOWNWIDE	\$ 68,109.02
B.	GENERAL OUTSIDE VILLAGE	\$ 6,891.82
DA	HIGHWAY TOWNWIDE	\$161,683.66
DB	HIGHWAY OUTSIDE VILLAGE	

CLERKS REPORT

The clerk's report was submitted with fees collected in the A account of \$4,715.00 and the B account of \$1,120.00 and the total tax collected in the office was 5,370,418.07.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dan Sardelli again questioned Councilman Putman what the GSLAC was going to spend the money on. He also stated to Supervisor Lehr that there should be towers on the islands with lights so people know where they are. Dan Sardelli also asked for an explanation of Pro - Housing.

Councilman Ruliffson stated that he would like to see the historical markers in the town repaired and painted this year.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Councilwoman Lanzi, seconded by Councilman Ruliffson the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Nancy Parker
Town Clerk
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