

Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Van Buren, held on May 20, 2026, at 7:00 pm at the Van Buren Town Hall, 7575 Van Buren Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

Mr. Chris Sherwood	Councilor
Mrs. Charity Gustke	Councilor
Mr. Michael Burke	Councilor
Mr. Roger Hand	Councilor
Mr. Robert Grover	Councilor
Mrs. Jennifer Sullivan	Councilor
Mrs. Wendy Van Der Water	Supervisor

Also Present:

Mr. David Blaisdell	Highway Superintendent
Mrs. Diane Sposato	Deputy Town Clerk

Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Approve Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting on May 6, 2026:

120-26-000 MOTION BY Mr. Sherwood, seconded by Mrs. Gustke, to approve the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting on May 6, 2026, as published.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Citizens Comments: None

Recess regular scheduled meeting Public Hearing on Local Law No. 2-2026 for One Year Moratorium on Data Centers

121-26-039 MOTION BY Mr. Grover, seconded by Mr. Hand, Motion to recess the regular meeting to open the Public Hearing. Public Hearing called to order at 7:01 pm.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

The Names and addresses of the residence spoke during the public hearing:

- Andy Bowes - 116 Hunter Dr

- Herbert Ziegler - 7651 W. Sorrell Hill Rd
- Colleen Denniston – 123 Cheerwood Dr
- Desiree Nettuno-Salucci – 8545 Smokey Hollow Rd
- MaryAnne Patulski– 7673 Maple Rd
- Scott Bauer – 1964 Connors Rd
- Mariana Popa – 421 Idlewood Blvd
- Samantha Kadick – 6457 Bennetts Corner Rd
- Joel Kadick – 6457 Bennetts Corner Rd

The residences that spoke during public hearing were against the data center. They had major concerns regarding the pollution a data center could have on the environment and residence. They expressed concerns regarding the impact to water supply, air quality, soil, temperature, wildlife and residence health. They are pleased with the one-year Moratorium on the Date Center and hope that when the year is up the Town of Van Buren will never allow a center.

The were no residence that spoke against the one-year Moratorium on the Data Center

Close Public Hearing on Local Law No. 2-2026 for One Year Moratorium on Data Centers

122-26-039 MOTION BY Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Roger, to reconvene the regular meeting, 7:26 pm.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approved Drainage Easement License Agreement for 31 Naylor Circle

123-26-025 MOTION BY Mr. Sherwood, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, to approve drainage easement license agreement for 31 Naylor Circle.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve Summer help for the park laborers for Buildings and Grounds per Memo dated 5/8/26 from Buildings and Grounds Crew Leader

124-26-000 MOTION BY Mr. Burke, seconded by Mr. Grover, to approve summer help for the Park's laborers for Buildings and Grounds per Memo dated 5/8/26 from Buildings and Grounds Crew Leader.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Acceptance of LoCap Grant for DASNY id# 29145 for \$56,000 for new drainage route in Birchwood & Idlewood Blvd and authorize the Supervisor to sign all Grant agreements.

125-26-057 MOTION BY Mr. Hand, seconded by Mrs. Sullivan, to approve acceptance of LoCap Grant for DASNY id# 29145 for \$56,000 for new drainage route in Birchwood & Idlewood Blvd and authorize the Supervisor to sign all Grant agreements.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Authorized capital project and authorized loan from the General Fund to the Capital fund in the amount \$56,000.

**CAPITAL PROJECT SHEET**

		APPROVAL DATE:	<u>8-Mar-21</u> <u>10/13/2021</u>
		DATE BOARD APPROVED:	<u>5/15/2024</u>
		DATE BOARD AUTHORIZED ENGINEER TO BID	<u>STATE BID</u>
		DATE BOARD AUTHORIZED CONTRACT & SUPERVISOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS	_____
PROJECT NAME:	<i>Idlewood - Birchwood Project</i>		
SCOPE OF PROJECT:	<i>Drainage Project</i>	<b>\$300,000</b>	
ACCOUNT NUMBER	<b>H08.8540.0200</b>		

<u>SOURCE OF FINANCING PROJECT:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	
ARPA	\$ 150,000.00	\$150,000 transferred in 2024
GENERAL FUND		
HIGHWAY FUND	\$ 167,000.00	\$150,000 transferred in 2024
GRANT (CDBG)		
BOND		
<b>TOTAL PROJECT COST</b>	<b>\$ 317,000.00</b>	

126-26-007 MOTION BY Mr. Burke seconded by Mr. Grover, to Authorized capital project and authorize loan from the General Fund to the Capital fund in the amount \$56,000.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Authorize Engineer to purchase drainage piping and catch basins materials based on the Capital Project ID# 29145 Budget

127-26-040 MOTION BY Mr. Sherwood seconded by Mr. Hand, to authorize Engineer to purchase drainage piping and catch basins materials based on the Capital Project ID# 29145 Budget.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve the agreement from Oconnell Electric to complete the electrical work to Pavilion AA thru the Capital Project #27389 (DASNY Grant) and authorize the Supervisor to sign the Agreement with vendor totaling \$96,147.00.

128-26-057 MOTION BY Mr. Burke seconded by Mrs. Sullivan to approve the agreement from Oconnell Electric to complete the electrical work to Pavilion AA thru the Capital Project #27389 (DASNY Grant) and authorize the Supervisor to sign the Agreement with vendor totaling \$96,147.00.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Approve 248 highway Agreement as established by Highway Superintendent

129-26-000 MOTION BY Mrs. Gustke seconded by Mr. Sherwood to approve 248 highway Agreement as established by Highway Superintendent.

Mr. Sherwood – Yes, Mrs. Gustke – Yes, Mr. Burke – Yes, Mr. Hand – Yes, Mr. Grover – Yes, Mrs. Sullivan – Yes, Mrs. Van Der Water – Yes

Motion Carried & Adopted

Councilor Committee Reports and Comments:

Mr. Sherwood wishes everyone a great Memorial Holiday.

Mr. Hand advised he attended the Baldwinsville Little League meeting and everything is running smoothly and season is going well. They are on a grant for new lighting.

Mrs. Sullivan advised Baldwinsville Express in need of driver volunteers. The Baldwinsville Memorial Parade is May 30, 2026, at 9:00 am.

Supervisor Comments:

Mrs. Van Der Water advised she attended the Town Supervisor lunch and the main topic was regarding the Data Centers.

Mrs. Van Der Water along with Mrs. Sullivan accepted the PERMA award for being a 15 year partner with PERMA.

Mrs. Van Der Water advised that Ryan McMahon was in Baldwinsville to present grants to local businesses and Olives Eatery was awarded a grant.

Highway Superintendent Comments:

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Mr. Blaisdell would like the residence to know that paving season has begun. They will begin the paving with the upper Seneca Knolls neighborhood; Mrs. Van Der Water will update both the Facebook page and Town website with the paving schedule.

Meeting closed at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Sposato  
Deputy Town Clerk

Dated: 05/22/2026