

**VILLAGE OF PERRY
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JULY 20, 2026**

A regular board meeting of the Village of Perry was held at the Village Hall, 46 North Main Street, Perry, New York at 7:30 pm on the 20th day of July 2026.

PRESENT:	Rick Hauser	Mayor
	Arlene Lapiana	Trustee
	Joel Bouchard	Trustee
	Richard Muolo	Trustee
ALSO PRESENT:	Christina Slusser	Village Clerk
GUESTS:	Lorraine Sturm	Perry Herald
ABSENT:	Sandy Lawrence	Trustee
	Samantha Marcy	Administrator

Mayor Hauser called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments.

MINUTES

Trustee Bouchard made a motion to approve the minutes for 7/6/2026 which was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION RESCHEDULING AUGUST 2026 VILLAGE OF PERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the Village of Perry Board of Trustees has established its regular meeting schedule for 2026; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the Village to reschedule its regularly scheduled August meetings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village of Perry Board of Trustees as follows:

1. The regular meeting of the Village of Perry Board of Trustees scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2026, is hereby rescheduled to Monday, August 10, 2026.
2. The regular meeting of the Village of Perry Board of Trustees scheduled for Monday, August 17, 2026, is hereby rescheduled to Monday, August 24, 2026.

Trustee Lapiana made a motion to approve the resolution rescheduling August 2026 Village of Perry Board of Trustees Meetings. This motion was seconded by Trustee Bouchard and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING SEASONAL LABORER, EVAN CARPENTER

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Public Works is requesting the appointment of Evan Carpenter designated to the Department of Public Works for the 2026 season; and

BE RESOLVED, that the Perry Village Board of Trustees hereby appoints Evan Carpenter as a Seasonal Laborer designated to the Department of Public Works at a rate of \$17.00 per hour effective July 21, 2026.

Mayor Hauser made a motion appointing seasonal laborer, Evan Carpenter, which was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried with all voting aye.

RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMISSION OF PERRY POLICE DEPARTMENT GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Village of Perry Police Department is interested in submitting a grant application through New York's Law Enforcement Technology (LETECH) grant program for cameras, radios, computers, and other technology needs; and

WHEREAS, there are no matching funds required for a maximum award of \$100,000.00; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby approves the submission of the New York's Law Enforcement Technology grant application.

Mayor Hauser made a motion to approve the submission of the grant application subject to specific specifications being reviewed and approved by the board if awarded. This motion was seconded by Trustee Lapiana and carried with all voting aye.

RESOLUTION APPROVING NEW ENGLAND WASTE SERVICES OF ME, INC. (D/B/A CASELLA) RESIDUALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, New England Waste Services of ME, Inc. (D/B/A Casella) provides transportation and disposal services of sludge for the waste water treatment plant; and

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement is for a three year term commencing on August 1st, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the base rate is \$151.50 per wet ton; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby approves the agreement with New England Waste Services of ME, Inc. (D/B/A Casella) ;and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement.

As recommended by the village administrator, Trustee Muolo made a motion to adopt the resolution approving New England Waste Services of ME, Inc., DBA Casella, Residuals Management Service Contract which was seconded by Trustee Lapiana and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION APPROVING PEDDLER AND SOLICITOR'S PERMIT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, per Village Law Section 327-4, no person shall sell at auction any goods or pursue or exercise the occupation of hawking or peddling in the Village of Perry without first procuring a license therefor from the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Jenifer Sanchez has submitted a Peddler and Solicitor's Permit Application to sell educational books, study guides, handbooks, leadership programs, and SAT/ACT prep from July 21 – July 25; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby approves the permit application, pending payment of the permit fee, and authorizes the Village Clerk to provide the license to Ms. Jenifer Sanchez for July 21 – July 25, 2026.

The applicant's credentials and safety concerns were discussed. Trustee Lapiana made a motion to approve the peddler and solicitor permit application subject to review and approval by the Police Chief which was seconded by Trustee Bouchard and carried with all voting aye.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE AT THE VILLAGE GATEWAY SIGN

WHEREAS, the Village of Perry desires to enhance the appearance of the Village entrance through the installation and maintenance of landscaping beneath the gateway sign near 151 North Center Street; and

WHEREAS, the nearby property owner has offered to purchase, install, and maintain the landscaping at her own expense for a minimum period of two (2) years, with the option to continue such maintenance thereafter on a voluntary basis; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding establishes the responsibilities of the Village of Perry and the Property Owner regarding installation, maintenance, ownership of the landscape improvements, access, liability, and future maintenance responsibilities; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Perry hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

Through advocacy by former Trustee Jacobs for plantings at the gateway signs, a trial run has been planned for the sign near 151 N. Center Street with a community member with a professional landscaping background. Trustee Bouchard made a motion to adopt the resolution approving the MOU for landscaping maintenance at the village gateway sign. The motion was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried unanimously.

VILLAGE OF PERRY
RESOLUTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2026
ENTITLED:
“AMENDING CHAPTER 490 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF PERRY TO ADD A
TRAILSIDE CAMPING SPECIAL USE.”

Adopted: July 20, 2026

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Perry met at a regular meeting at the Village Offices of the Village of Perry in the Village of Perry, New York on the 20th day of July 2026, commencing at 7:30 P.M., at which time and place the following members were:

Present:	Mayor	Rick Hauser
	Trustee	Arlene Lapiana
	Trustee	Joel Bouchard
	Trustee	Richard Muolo
Absent:	Trustee	Sandy Lawrence

WHEREAS, all Village Board Members, having due notice of said meeting, and that pursuant to Section 104 of the Public Officers Law (Public Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public and due and proper notice of the time and place whereof was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board is receipt of a proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2026 entitled, “Amending Chapter 490 Of the Village Code of the Village of Perry to Add a Trailside Camping Special Use” drafted by the Village Attorney based on proposals promulgated by the Planning Board and referred to the Village Board; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this local law is to add a trailside camping special use, enabling the Village to promote its goal of developing recreational public assets along Silver Creek, and the economic based recreational development that follows from such assets; additionally, these regulations ensure that the trailside camping use will not negatively impact the existing scenic neighborhood qualities in and around the Silver Creek, and are undertaken by and for the benefit of local entrepreneurs and property owners; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board previously held a public hearing on May 18th, 2026 in order to give residents the opportunity to speak on the proposed local law; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Perry finds it in the best interest of the Village of Perry to hold a second public hearing to consider the adoption of said local law.

NOW ON MOTION OF Trustee Bouchard which has been duly seconded by Trustee Lapiana, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Perry will hold a public hearing on the 10th day of August, 2026 at 7:30 P.M. to consider a proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2026 entitled, "Amending Chapter 490 Of the Village Code of the Village of Perry to Add a Trailside Camping Special Use"; and be it further

RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Perry, that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to post the Notice of Public Hearing at Village Hall and on the Village Website, and to publish said Notice in the Village Newspaper no less than ten (10) days prior to the date of such public hearing as required by Section 7-706 of NYS Village Law.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Quorum Present: ☒ Yes ☐ No

VILLAGE OF PERRY
RESOLUTION TO DECLARE ITS INTENT TO SEEK LEAD AGENCY STATUS
IN REGARD TO PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2026

Adopted: July 20, 2026

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Perry met at a regular meeting at the Village Offices located at 46 North Main Street in the Village of Perry, New York on the 20th day of July 2026, commencing at 7:30 P.M., at which time and place the following members were:

Present:	Mayor	Rick Hauser
	Trustee	Arlene Lapiana
	Trustee	Joel Bouchard
	Trustee	Richard Muolo
Absent:	Trustee	Sandy Lawrence

WHEREAS, all Village Board Members, having due notice of said meeting, and that pursuant to Section 104 of the Public Officers Law (Public Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public and due and proper notice of the time and place whereof was given as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board is considering adopting a proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2026 entitled, "Amending Chapter 490 of the Village Code of the Village of Perry to Add a Trailside Camping Special Use"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with the provision of Section 617.6 (Initial Review of Actions and Establishing Lead Agency) of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Regulations, (6 NYCRR Part 617) the Village Board of the Village of Perry has determined that the proposed Local Law is an Unlisted Action and shall conduct a Coordinated Review, seeking the input of other agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Perry believes itself to be the most appropriate agency to act as lead agent in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Law, as the Village Board is the legislative body with the authority to approve the Local Law; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Perry must provide notice of its intent to make such declaration to the following agencies pursuant to Section 617.6 of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act:

1. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
2. New York State Department of Transportation
3. Town of Perry
4. Town of Castile
5. Wyoming County Board of Supervisors
6. Wyoming County Planning Board ; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Perry now desires to declare its intent to seek lead agency status in regard to the proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2026 entitled "Amending

Chapter 490 of the Village Code of the Village of Perry to Add a Trailside Camping Special Use”;
and

NOW ON MOTION OF Trustee Muolo which has been duly seconded by Trustee Lapiana,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Perry hereby declares its intent to seek lead agency status for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act in regard to the proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2026 entitled “Amending Chapter 490 of the Village Code of the Village of Perry to Add a Trailside Camping Special Use”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Perry has completed Part 1 of a Full Environmental Assessment Form, and provide a copy of such form along with a notice of intent to declare the Village Board of the Village of Perry as lead agent under the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and that notices will be sent to the following agencies for a Coordinated Review in accordance with Section 617.6 of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Regulations:

1. New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
2. New York State Department of Transportation
3. Town of Perry
4. Town of Castile
5. Wyoming County Board of Supervisors
6. Wyoming County Planning Board.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Quorum Present: ☒ Yes ☐ No

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT WITH GROUNDBREAKING SOLUTIONS
FOR THE SILVER LAKE TRAIL EXTENSION BOARDWALK PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE
VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ISSUE THE NOTICE TO PROCEED**

WHEREAS, the Village of Perry solicited competitive sealed bids for the construction of the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project; and

WHEREAS, a public bid opening was held on April 6, 2026, at which six (6) bids were received;
and

WHEREAS, Groundbreaking Solutions submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of Five Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$557,000.00); and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Perry hereby awards the contract for the construction of the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project to Groundbreaking Solutions in the amount of \$557,000.00; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a construction agreement with Groundbreaking Solutions; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon execution of the construction agreement and satisfaction of all contract requirements, the Village Administrator is hereby authorized to execute and issue the Notice to Proceed.

Contract terms have been reviewed by the attorney. Motion was made by Trustee Lapiana to adopt the resolution approving the construction agreement with Groundbreaking Solutions for the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project and authorizing the Village Administrator to issue the Notice to Proceed. Trustee Bouchard seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF TWO EASEMENT AGREEMENTS FOR THE SILVER LAKE TRAIL EXTENSION BOARDWALK PROJECT

WHEREAS, the construction of the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project requires certain permissions from a private property owner; and

WHEREAS, one easement is necessary for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the boardwalk improvements, and the second is necessary for temporary access for project staging, and related construction activities; and

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions of the easements are set forth in the respective Easement Agreements, which are incorporated herein by reference; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the easements in relation to the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project.

Trustee Bouchard made a motion to approve two easements for the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project which was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried with all voting aye.

CLERK/DEPUTY TREASURER REPORT

Abstract # 004
Summary by Fund

07/17/2026
14:29:14

Code	Fund	Prepays	Unpays	Totals
A	GENERAL FUND	4,130.07	40,836.03	44,966.10
CD	SPECIAL GRANT FUND		354.31	354.31
F	WATER FUND	916.02	8,309.84	9,225.86
G	SEWER FUND	556.81	19,202.88	19,759.69
HD	SILVER LAKE TRAIL CREEKSIDE PL		4,183.50	4,183.50
HF	WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT		5,668.50	5,668.50
HG	ENGINEERING PLANNING GRANT (WW		42.50	42.50
HH	DRI - TRAIL AND STREETSCAPE		7,889.45	7,889.45
HI	DRI - VILLAGE HALL		5,000.00	5,000.00
JA	SILVER LAKE WATERSHED COMMISSI		1,296.65	1,296.65
TA	TRUST & AGENCY		7,730.74	7,730.74
Total:		5,602.90	100,514.40	106,117.30

Trustee Bouchard audited vouchers #151-296. Trustee Lapiana made a motion to approve payment of abstract #4, vouchers #151-296, in the amount of \$106,117.30 which was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried with all voting aye.

Total taxes outstanding as of 7/20/2026 equal \$223,756.73.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The following reports were provided for review: Treasurer's reports, June financials, Department of Public Works, Water and Sewer Departments, Police Department, Property Maintenance Officer.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Bouchard attended the Silver Lake Watershed Commission (SLWC) meeting in Administrator Marcy's absence. Drainage at the beach was discussed: Al Fagan explained a proposal for the drainage and also mentioned that the county is trying to get funding for live edge plow blades which would help decrease runoff. Wyoming County Soil & Water Conservation District characterized the recent rainstorm as a 100-year event. Marlos Norman did well with managing the lake level during the rain event. Trustee Bouchard stated that some consideration should be given to redundancy or cross training for critical positions, like management of the dam (gates) so there is a backup plan in case Marlos is not available.

Engineering Assessment proposals were discussed and the group is looking into DEC requirements for data usage due to the very different proposal amounts received.

Trustee Muolo attended the DPW committee meeting who discussed the surplus from the allotted \$150K to purchase a plow truck. With 32K needed, about 118K is left over. The biggest needs according to DPW Superintendent Deaton are 2 pickup trucks and a Ventrac (sidewalk plow). There was some flood damage near the lake and DPW is working to address a sinkhole on Euclid Ave. from a section of pipe that was missing from a gas line replacement. Flooding on Page Circle was discussed. Superintendent Deaton is going to get an estimate for a 48" corrugated drain line to fix the creek drainage.

With no further business, at 8:20 pm, Trustee Lapiana made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Slusser, Village Clerk