

**VILLAGE OF PERRY
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JULY 27, 2026**

A special board meeting of the Village of Perry was held at the Village Hall, 46 North Main Street, Perry, New York at 2:30 pm on the 27th day of July 2026.

PRESENT:	Rick Hauser	Mayor
	Arlene Lapiana	Trustee
	Joel Bouchard	Trustee
	Sandy Lawrence	Trustee (joined at 2:34 pm)
ALSO PRESENT:	Samantha Marcy	Administrator
	Christina Slusser	Village Clerk
ABSENT:	Richard Muolo	Trustee

Mayor Hauser called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

RESOLUTION APPROVING GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR GREATER BUFFALO, INC. FOR THE COMPLETION OF AN ELEVATED BOARDWALK ALONG SILVER CREEK

WHEREAS, the Village of Perry has been awarded grant funding through the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, Inc., with funding provided by the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation, for the completion of an elevated boardwalk along Silver Creek adjacent to the Village's downtown commercial corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Agreement provides for grant funding in the total amount of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) to be disbursed in accordance with the terms of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Agreement requires approval by the Village Board of Trustees authorizing the Village to execute the Agreement and fulfill its obligations thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the proposed Grant Agreement and finds that acceptance of the grant and execution of the Agreement are in the best interests of the Village and will further the completion of the Silver Lake Trail Extension Boardwalk Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby approves the Grant Agreement between the Village of Perry and the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Grant Agreement to accept the grant on behalf of the Village of Perry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Board of Trustees authorizes the Mayor, Village Administrator, Village Clerk, and any other appropriate Village officials to take all actions necessary to carry out the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement, including compliance with all reporting, recordkeeping, and grant administration requirements.

Trustee Lapiana made motion to approve the grant agreement with the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, Inc. for the completion of an elevated boardwalk along Silver Creek which was seconded by Trustee Bouchard and carried with all (Hauser, Lapiana, and Bouchard) voting aye (Trustee Lawrence was not present to vote.)

WATER SERVICE AT ½ S. MAIN

The Board discussed reconnecting water service to ½ S. Main Street, known as the Rich Plan building, where a temporary easement is needed for the boardwalk project. The existing water service had previously been cut and capped by the Village after a leak was discovered and a proper shutoff valve was not in place.

About 5 years ago, the property owner was provided with an estimate of \$3,300 for the tapping fee, water meter, and labor costs to reconnect the service. The Board considered the value of the temporary easement and use of the property as a construction staging area (which will be restored upon completion), as an equitable trade-off. The property owner will be responsible for the cost of the water meter in accordance with the fee schedule.

Mayor Hauser made a motion to waive the water tapping fee and labor costs to reconnect the water service at ½ S. Main Street in recognition of the value of the temporary easement for the boardwalk project. Trustee Lapiana seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

At 2:42 pm, Trustee Lapiana made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Slusser, Village Clerk