Schroon Lake Town Board Meeting **February, 9, 2026**
Held at the Town Hall **6:00 P.M**

Present:

Deputy Town Supervisor:	Richard Gero (Excused: Supervisor Wood)
Councilpersons:	David Williams, Leanna Welch, Steve Miller
Town Clerk:	Erica Hedden
Chief Wastewater:	Brian Ritchings
Building & Grounds:	Ethan Thompson
Also Present:	Scott Ireland, Roger Friedman, Joy Koch, Bob Koch, Fran & Skip Mahler, Lynette Colden, Brooke Clark, Craig Kennedy, Tommy Sewall

Deputy Supervisor Gero called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M. with a salute to the Flag.

Public Participation:

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: I would like to have the public participation limited to 3 minutes or less. Additionally, once the public participation is over, I would like the audience to refrain from commenting unless you are called upon. At the end of the meeting, we will hold a comment period for the public to ask any questions or comment on the items discussed during the meeting.

Joy Koch stated: Dark sky Advocate here. ADK Dark skies has recently joined the Schroon Lake chamber of commerce, we will be holding our second Star Party on August the 8th. In conjunction with the Adirondack Sky Center Observatory. The purpose is to bring awareness and education to Schroon Lake residence and guests about Schroon Lakes commitment to becoming a Dark Sky friendly community. The reason we are doing this is to protect our natural resource of the night sky, so we are able to see the stars, moon, solar eclipse and planets and to enhance and make Schroon Lake designated Dark sky location and to protect migrant birds and pollinators to reduce green house gases, global warming and save the Town and residents money on electricity and lighting. Last year in October we had over 120 people attend, we are expecting a larger crowd for our second Star Party. Last year the bathroom light was a problem, it stays on all night and is ridiculously bright. I know you are planning on doing some work to the bathroom, I would suggest you change out the light to a light with lower lumen and kelvin, shield the light and potentially even a motion detector light. Since we are working to becoming a dark sky community. The Dark Skies International has a Dark Sky week, this year its going to be April 13th – 20th. This is an opportunity in conjunction with Adirondack Dark Skies to ask our residence to voluntary join in the dark sky week for Schroon Lake. If Schroon Lake would sign a proclamation or sign a letter of support, for responsible outdoor lights at night. We would ask residence to turn off their lights at night. Schroon Lake could turn off their globe lights at 10PM, this would show the residences our commitment and would save the town money. The national grid lights would still be burning. It would be a statement from the Town.

REQUEST TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF JANUARY 12TH ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 13TH
RESOLUTION #38-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON MILLER**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to accept the Town Clerk's minutes the January 12th Organizational Meeting and the 13th Special Town Board meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby accepts the Town Clerk's minutes the January 12th Organizational Meeting and the 13th Special Town Board meeting.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE VOUCHERS
RESOLUTION #39-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WELCH**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve vouchers
2025 General: $15,689.12 2025 Highway: $10,897.21 2025 Sewer: $2,974.41 2025 Water: $316.49
2026 General: $51,608.47 2026 Highway: $37,998.47 2026 Sewer: $2,621.33 2026 Water: $7,406.14

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves vouchers.
2025 General: $15,689.12 2025 Highway: $10,897.21 2025 Sewer: $2,974.41 2025 Water: $316.49
2026 General: $51,608.47 2026 Highway: $37,998.47 2026 Sewer: $2,621.33 2026 Water: $7,406.14

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORTS
RESOLUTION #40-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON MILLER**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve Town Clerk and Codes monthly reports for January.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves Town Clerk and Codes monthly reports for January.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TRAINING
RESOLUTION #41-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve Jon Senecal's Code Enforcement Officer training on March 2-5th 2026, conference totaling including dues of $485.00 with a hotel cost of $576.00, totaling $1,061.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves Jon Senecals Code Enforcement Officer training on March 2-5th 2026, conference totaling including dues of $485.00 with a hotel cost of 576.00, totaling $1,061.00.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT FOR JUSTICE RICHARD CARPENTER
RESOLUTION #42-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve paying mileage for Justice Carpenter from Moriah to Schroon while he helps out in our Town Court to help repair the backlog for the period of 1/1 – 2/28. Mileage rate will be at .725/mile.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves paying milage for Justice Carpenter from Moriah to Schroon while he helps out in our Town Court to help repair the back log. Mileage rate will be at .725/mile.
DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE 2026 HRA DEPOSITS FOR GENERAL, HIGHWAY, SEWER AND WATER
RESOLUTION #43-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON MILLER**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve HRA deposits for General, Highway, Sewer and Water.
General Fund: $72,909.01 Highway Fund: $44,452.88 Wastewater Fund: $ 900.68 Water Fund: $3,126.43
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves HRA deposits for General, Highway, Sewer and Water.
General Fund: $72,909.01 Highway Fund: $44,452.88 Wastewater Fund: $ 900.68 Water Fund: $3,126.43
DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE REVOLVING LOAN FUND REVISIONS
RESOLUTION #44-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON MILLER**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the revisions to the Revolving Loan Fund Guidelines.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves revisions to the Revolving Loan Fund Guidelines.
DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1*
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

*Supervisor Wood sent in correspondence regarding the above resolution "I support the Revolving Loan Fund Revisions schedule to be brought up at this public meeting"

REQUEST TO APPROVE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE "CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, ALTERATION AND REHABILITATION OF TOWN FACILITIES OF THE TOWN OF SCHROON RESERVE FUND " UNDER SECTION 6-C OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW (TYPE CAPITAL RESERVE)

RESOLUTION #45-2026

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

WHEREAS, The Town of Schroon duly convened in a regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of future construction, reconstruction, expansion, alteration and rehabilitation of Town facilities.

SECTION 2. Such fund is to be known as the "Construction, Reconstruction, Expansion, Alteration and Construction of Town Facilities of the Town of Schroon Reserve Fund."

SECTION 3. The Town Supervisor is hereby directed to deposit and secure the monies of the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. This governing board may invest the monies in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with investment policy of the Town of Schroon. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the monies so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Reserve Fund. The Town Supervisor shall account in a manner, which maintains the specific identity of cash and investments of the Reserve Fund.

SECTION 4. Out of the surplus monies of the Town now on hand for the year 2026 and not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $ 10,000.00 dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated for the ""Construction, Reconstruction, Expansion, Alteration and Construction of Town Facilities of the Town of Schroon Reserve Fund" and the Supervisor of the Town is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to transfer from surplus funds of the Town the sum of $ 10,000.00 to the fund.

SECTION 5. Such additional sums as may hereafter be appropriated shall become part of the fund.

SECTION 6. The monies in the fund shall be deposited in a separate bank account.

SECTION 7. Except as otherwise provided by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law expenditures from this Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from the Reserve Fund without the approval of this governing board and without such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law including a permissive referendum, if required by law.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of future construction, reconstruction, expansion, alteration and rehabilitation of Town facilities.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON WELCH AND ADOPTED UPON A ROLL-CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Wood ABSENT*
Councilperson David Williams AYE
Councilperson Richard Gero AYE
Councilperson Stephen Miller AYE
Councilperson Leanna Welch AYE

*Supervisor Wood sent in correspondence regarding the above resolution “I support the establishment of Capital reserve funds, and the transfer of $10,000 into each fund for the Highway, General, Wastewater and Water Department accounts.”

REQUEST TO APPROVE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE "CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, ALTERATION, IMPROVEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF FACILITIES RESERVE FUND OF THE TOWN OF SCHROON LAKE SEWER DISTRICT " UNDER SECTION 6-C OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW (TYPE CAPITAL RESERVE)

RESOLUTION #46-2026

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

WHEREAS, The Town of Schroon duly convened in a regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $10,000.00 dollars for the cost of future repairs and expansion to the facilities of the Town of Schroon Lake Sewer District to include but not be limited to expansion, improvement, reconstruction, alterations and repairs to sewer mains and laterals, generators, pump systems, infrastructure and buildings of the Schroon Lake Sewer District.

SECTION 2. Such fund is to be known as the "Construction, Reconstruction, Expansion, Alteration, Improvement and Rehabilitation of Facilities Reserve Fund of the Town of Schroon Lake Sewer District."

SECTION 3. The Town Supervisor is hereby directed to deposit and secure the monies of the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. This governing board may invest the monies in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with investment policy of the Town of Schroon. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the monies so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Reserve Fund. The Town Supervisor shall account in a manner, which maintains the specific identity of cash and investments of the Reserve Fund.

SECTION 4. Out of the surplus monies of said District now on hand for the year 2026 and not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $10,000.00 dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated for the "Expansion, Improvement, Reconstruction and Alterations of Facilities Reserve Fund of the Town of Schroon Lake Sewer District" and the Supervisor of the Town is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to transfer from surplus funds of said District the sum of $10,000.00 to the fund.

SECTION 5. Such additional sums as may hereafter be appropriated shall become part of the fund.

SECTION 6. The monies in the fund shall be deposited in a separate bank account.

SECTION 7. Except as otherwise provided by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law expenditures from this Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from the Reserve Fund without the approval of this governing board and without such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law including a permissive referendum, if required by law.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of future repairs and expansion to the facilities of the Town of Schroon Lake Sewer District to include but not be limited to expansion, improvement, reconstruction, alterations and repairs to sewer mains and laterals, generators, pump systems, infrastructure and buildings of the Schroon Lake Sewer District.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS AND ADOPTED UPON A ROLL-CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Wood ABSENT*
Councilperson David Williams AYE
Councilperson Richard Gero AYE
Councilperson Stephen Miller AYE
Councilperson Leanna Welch AYE

*Supervisor Wood sent in correspondence regarding the above resolution “I support the establishment of Capital reserve funds, and the transfer of $10,000 into each fund for the Highway, General, Wastewater and Water Department accounts”

REQUEST TO APPROVE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE "CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, ALTERATION, IMPROVEMENT AND REHABILITATION OF FACILITIES RESERVE FUND OF THE TOWN OF SCHROON LAKE WATER DISTRICT " UNDER SECTION 6-C OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW (TYPE CAPITAL RESERVE)

RESOLUTION #47-2026

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

WHEREAS, That the Town of Schroon duly convened in a regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of future construction, reconstruction, expansion, alteration, improvement and rehabilitation of the facilities of the Town of Schroon Lake Water District to include by not be limited to repairs to water mains and laterals, wells, generators and pump systems and any and all other repairs to the facilities, improvements and equipment of the District.

SECTION 2. Such fund is to be known as the "Construction, Reconstruction, Expansion, Alteration, Improvement and Rehabilitation of Facilities Reserve Fund of the Town of Schroon Lake Water District."

SECTION 3. The Town Supervisor is hereby directed to deposit and secure the monies of the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. This governing board may invest the monies in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with investment policy of the Town of Schroon. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the monies so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Reserve Fund. The Town Supervisor shall account in a manner, which maintains the specific identity of cash and investments of the Reserve Fund.

SECTION 4. Out of the surplus monies of said District now on hand for the year 2026 and not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $ 10,000.00 dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated for the "Construction, Reconstruction, Expansion, Alteration, Improvement and Rehabilitation of Facilities Reserve Fund of the Town of Schroon Lake Water District." and the Supervisor of the Town is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to transfer from surplus funds of said District the sum of $ 10,000.00 to the fund.

SECTION 5. Such additional sums as may hereafter be appropriated shall become part of the fund.

SECTION 6. The monies in the fund shall be deposited in a separate bank account.

SECTION 7. Except as otherwise provided by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law expenditures from this Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from the Reserve Fund without the approval of this governing board and without such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law including a permissive referendum, if required by law

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves that there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of future construction, reconstruction, expansion, alteration, improvement and rehabilitation of the facilities of the Town of Schroon Lake Water District to include by not be limited to repairs to water mains and laterals, wells, generators and pump systems and any and all other repairs to the facilities, improvements and equipment of the District.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS AND ADOPTED UPON A ROLL-CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Wood ABSENT*
Councilperson David Williams AYE
Councilperson Richard Gero AYE
Councilperson Stephen Miller AYE
Councilperson Leanna Welch AYE

*Supervisor Wood sent in correspondence regarding the above resolution "I support the establishment of Capital reserve funds, and the transfer of $10,000 into each fund for the Highway, General, Wastewater and Water Department accounts"

REQUEST TO APPROVE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE "PURCHASE OF TOWN HIGHWAY TRUCKS, MACHINERY, APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE TOWN OF SCHROON RESERVE FUND" UNDER SECTION 6-C OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW (TYPE CAPITAL RESERVE)

RESOLUTION #48-2026

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

The Town of Schroon duly convened in a regular session, does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of the future purchase of town highway trucks and equipment for the Town of Schroon.

SECTION 2. Such fund is to be known as the "Purchase of Town Highway Trucks, Machinery, Apparatus and Equipment for the Town of Schroon Reserve Fund" for the cost of future purchase of Town Highway trucks, machinery, apparatus and equipment.

SECTION 3. The Town Supervisor is hereby directed to deposit and secure the monies of the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 10 of the General Municipal Law. This governing board may invest the monies in the Reserve Fund in the manner provided by Section 11 of the General Municipal Law, and consistent with investment policy of the Town of Schroon. Any interest earned or capital gains realized on the monies so deposited or invested shall accrue to and become part of the Reserve Fund. The Town Supervisor shall account in a manner, which maintains the specific identity of cash and investments of the Reserve Fund.

SECTION 4. Out of the surplus monies of the Town now on hand for the year 2026 and not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $ 10,000.00 dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated for the "Purchase of Town Highway Trucks, Machinery, Apparatus and Equipment for the Town of Schroon Reserve Fund" and the Supervisor of the Town is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to transfer from surplus funds of the Town the sum of $ 10,000.00 to the fund.

SECTION 5. Such additional sums as may hereafter be appropriated shall become part of the fund.

SECTION 6. The monies in the fund shall be deposited in a separate bank account.

SECTION 7. Except as otherwise provided by Section 6-C of the General. Municipal Law expenditures from this Reserve Fund shall be made only for the purpose for which the Reserve Fund is established. No expenditure shall be made from the Reserve Fund without the approval of this governing board and without such additional actions or proceedings as may be required by Section 6-C of the General Municipal Law including a permissive referendum, if required by law.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves That there be and hereby is established a capital reserve fund in the amount of $ 10,000.00 dollars for the cost of the future purchase of town highway trucks and equipment for the Town of Schroon.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DULY SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON WELCH AND ADOPTED UPON A ROLL-CALL VOTE:

Supervisor Wood ABSENT*
Councilperson David Williams AYE
Councilperson Richard Gero AYE
Councilperson Stephen Miller AYE
Councilperson Leanna Welch AYE

*Supervisor Wood sent in correspondence regarding the above resolution "I support the establishment of Capital reserve funds, and the transfer of $10,000 into each fund for the Highway, General, Wastewater and Water Department accounts"

REQUEST TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A LIFT GATE FOR THE WATER DEPARTMENT
RESOLUTION #49-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the purchase of a lift gate for the water department from Lucky's in the amount of $4,940.00. Three quotes were received from Dejana for $7,350.00, T&T Sales for $7,084.00 and Lucky's for $4,940.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the purchase of a lift gate for the water department from Lucky's in the amount of $4,940.00. Three quotes were received from Dejana for $7,350.00, T&T Sales for $7,084.00 and Lucky's for $4,940.00.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS FOR WATER DEPARTMENT BUILDINGS
RESOLUTION #50-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WELCH**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the purchase of materials for the Water Department buildings maintenance at the Route 74 Well site building and the Charley Hill Pump Station building, not to exceed $25,000.00. Total cost estimate for project is $22,870.00. Cap is set at $25,000.00 to allow for unexpected price changes and unexpected expenses related to the project. Purchases will be made with due diligence and at market value.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the purchase of materials for the Water Department buildings maintenance at the Route 74 Well site building and the Charley Hill Pump Station building, not to exceed $25,000.00. Total cost estimate for project is $22,870.00. Cap is set at $25,000.00 to allow for unexpected price changes and unexpected expenses related to the project. Purchases will be made with due diligence and at market value.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TOWN AED PROGRAM AND AED PURCHASE
RESOLUTION #51-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the implementation of the Town of Schroon AED program and the purchase of 3 AEDs from Strategic Emergency Training & Consultation in the amount of $7,018.00, with an additional allowance to up to $300.00 for the purchase of an additional weather proof case from the same company.

WHEREAS, additionally approving the purchase of an annual Maintenance program contract with Strategic Emergency Training and Consulting at $150.00 per AED for an annual total of $450.00.

WHEREAS, Schroon Lake EMS to assist with monthly inspections and communications between the Town of Schroon and the DOH, as well as providing free public training for CPR and AED use.

WHEREAS, three quotes were obtained from, Strategic Emergency Training and Consultation for $7,018.00, America AED for $7,542.00 and Cardiac Life for $7,970.50.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the implementation of the Town of Schroon AED program and the purchase of 3 AEDs from Strategic Emergency Training & Consultation in the amount of $7,018.00, an additional purchase of up to $300.00 for an additional weather proof case, and an annual maintenance contract with the same company for $150.00 annually per AED.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:
AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1
AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE SLCS CLASS OF 2028 GOLF TOURNAMNET
RESOLUTION #52-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS**

WHEREAS, the Town of Schroon seeks to approve the SLCS class of 2028 Golf Tournament on Saturday June 6th with a rain date of June 7th, with the understanding that if the Golf Course is not ready for such an event, it may be postponed to June 13th with full fees applicable. Full Cart rentals and pricing apply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the class of 2028 Golf Tournament on Saturday June 6th with a rain date of June 7th, with the understanding that if the Golf Course is not ready for such an event, it may be postponed to June 13th with full fees applicable. Full Cart rentals and pricing apply.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1

AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller
EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

REQUEST TO APPROVE THE ORDERING THE CONFINEMENT OF DOGS TO PROTECT THE DEER HERD
RESOLUTION #53-2026
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION
SECONDED BY: **COUNCILPERSON WELCH**

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Town of Schroon Town Board, and substantiated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, that the deer population in Essex County is suffering from severe depredation due to dogs attacking, chasing or worrying deer; and

WHEREAS, it Is the duty of this Board of Supervisors to protect the natural resources of this County from unnecessary depredation, a duty that this Board has conscientiously accepted over the years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 120 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, that this Town of Schroon Town Board hereby orders, that all dogs in the Town of Schroon shall be securely confined during the period of time beginning with the required publication of this notice and ending on May 1, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, pursuant to such law, if any dog shall kilt or cripple any deer, the owner of such dog shall be subject to a civil penalty in the amount of $100 for the first deer killed or crippled and.$150 for each additional deer so killed or crippled, to be recovered in an action brought by the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Schroon hereby approves the Ordering the Confinement of Dogs to Protect the Deer Herd.

DULY ADOPTED FEBRUARY 9, 2026 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 4 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1

AYES: Councilpersons Gero, Williams, Welch, Miller
EXCUSED: Supervisor Wood

DISCUSSION: REPAINTING THE SURFACE OF THE PARK BASKETBALL COURT AND POSSIBLE MODIFICATIONS IN STRUCTURES OF HOOPS – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: we have a price to paint and resurface the basketball court, it is under State contract and the price is $ 18,500.00. However, we are going to have some discussion on it because we think there may be some changes needed to the court.

Councilperson Williams stated: We have had our court for a long time. I have noticed that what happens is people come full speed and where the basketball court is set up, they could possibly get their foot caught under the fence. When I was young and restless, as a kid I would jump onto the fence, and you can see now that is still happening by the way that fence is bowing from the extra weight. One idea I had was to change the basketball rims and move them a lot closer, so there would be space between the players and the fence. I went down to the YMCA in Glens Falls and took some photos, to get some ideas. I still need to do more research on the poles themselves. Can they be moved? What are they made out of? Do we need anything special for the poles? Can the rims be moved? I am still working on the research part of all this. I would suggest we hold off on any paving or resurfacing until we know what we are doing with the court itself. I just want to make sure we do all this once.

My main concern with the court is a safety issues. People could get their ankles stuck under there, and that would be really painful.

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: there was concerns previously as well about a low section right behind Roger's house, we did get some material in there and got that leveled off but that may be one of the things we need to address again if we make changes. Also, maybe some time of protective padding behind the back boards as well?

Councilperson Welch stated: I know that we budgeted in the fall $25,000 for the basketball court for resurfacing and maintenance. Any thoughts Ethan?

Buildings and Grounds Maintenance: No just because I have never done it before. I would reach out to CRAFTCO, they did our tennis courts, see what's involved.

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: yep, they are on State contract and they are the ones that gave us this quote. Sounds like we have a lot more research to do on this before we move forward with it.

DISCUSSION: GOLF COURSE WORKSHOP- COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: We originally had a resolution item on the agenda that had to do with the golf course but since then there are a lot of things that we need to discuss. Some of the people that have worked there in the past have moved on to bigger and better things. There are a number of things that we need to sit down with Jon Swinton to discuss. Meg asked me if we can sit down and set up a date for a golf course workshop and that would be open to the public. Tuesday the 17th was a suggestion but that date doesn't work for Leanna. So, let's put our thinking caps on soon and see if we can come up with a date. Once we do, we will get that advertised and it will be open to the public. We will reach out to John Swinton of course and work around his schedule.

DISCUSSION: TRANSFER STATION – CLOSED SIGN FOR MECHAINCAL/WEATHER INTERRUPTIONS, NEW SYSTEM TO INTERGRATE SMALL SCALE, WEIGHT DISPLAY, PAYMENT SIGNAGE DISPLAY

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: Meg purchased a new sign, that will be put on the gate when ever its closed for any reason. I know we have had some mechanical issues with the weather, so this sign is to help get the message and the word out as to why the dump is closed during those time periods. We are still in the information gathering phase in terms of a new scale system, we are looking into a digital scale system with a weight display.

DISCUSSION: 7 NEW GARAGE DOORS ON OLD HIGHWAY BUILDING INSTALLED

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: we are in the process of having new overhead doors installed. We have had a few issues that representatives from the company came up to meet with myself, Meg and Ethan. We chose Windchip doors because they currently hold the maintenance contract with them. Things have not gone too smooth.

Ethan Thompson stated: They called last week to see where we were at, they have some things to finish up, they need to replace a panel that was damaged during installation. As well as a few brackets that were damaged during shipping or installation. The rest of the kinks were worked our fairly well.

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: We have not been impressed with the installation as whole but I guess we are getting there.

Ethan Thompson stated: the doors themselves are nice; with this cold weather we are having they are much better sealing and insulation. It is 1000% improvement over what we had; it was just a process to get there.

DISCUSSION: ROGERS BROOK WASTEWATER PROJECT STATUS- COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: we recently had a meeting with a number of representatives from various agencies regarding the up-and-coming Rogers Brook project. DEC, EFC our engineers from EDR, and several members of the board. I think the meeting went well. It was very productive. Brian has done a lot of research and has come up with an option where we can put the laterals up behind the affected businesses on main street, and hook them up to the main. DEC seemed to be agreeable to that.

Wastewater Chief Ritchings stated: they were happy because there is very little environmental impact.

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: We are still in the planning phases. They are going to take what we talked about back to their office and have some more conversations with their engineers and get back to us.

Wastewater Chief Ritchings stated: the only thing they had questions on was the removal of the pipe.

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: there are options for the existing pipe in the brook. We talked about capping and filling with flowable material. It would be a lot more cost effective for the town to leave it in there. We had Jessica Deslauries and Anna Reynolds, they are two folks that work for Essex County that are trying to secure grants for us. They are excellent to work with. This project is going to be very expensive. Its slowly moving forward.

DISCUSSION: APA PLANNING FORUM MAY 6&7

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: May 6 &7, 2026 there is the Adirondack Planning Forum. It's usually at the Hotel Saranac; we usually go up for the day of the 6th and the 7th. We have been in the past and its very beneficial.

DISCUSSION: HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT OF HAMLET – STORM WATER RUN OFF REP READY TO RELEASE- COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: the hydrologic assessment for the hamlet. The RFP needs some modification, when they did the original map, they did not go big enough, they did not include the entire hamlet in the storm water system so that will need to be changed. I also have an issue, that no where in this project was it stated that DOT was involved. I think DOT needs to absolutely be involved.

DISCUSSION: EVENTS – SNOW DAY IN THE PARK 2/15/2026
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SEEKING EVENT COORDINATOR

Deputy Supervisor Gero stated: I was hoping Sue Palisano would be here to talk a little about the Snow Day in the park next weekend. There will be cardboard sled races, there may be some sort of food vendor or hot cocoa. More information is available on the Chamber's website. So please visit their website for more info.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION REGARDING MEETING ITEMS:

Joy Koch stated: I just wanted to say thank you, I could actually HEAR you the entire meeting. Meg either needs a microphone or we need better acoustics in this room.

Councilperson Williams stated: I have been thinking a lot about the Comprehensive plan and I think that is a great guideline that we have. I would hope that as we work on these projects that we continue to further the comprehensive plan and check of that we are doing these things. The other thing, that in that plan it talks about we should be updating as we go. It keeps us informed and it keeps the community aware of what we are doing. It also is a great segway for grants, because it shows that we are using our comprehensive plan. I still would encourage us to see if we can get some of the previous members on the committee to help us with some of the research or things we don't have time for.

THANK YOU TO THE TOWN HIGHWAY AND GROUNDS CREW FOR THEIR EFFORTS CLEANING UP DURING THE 1/25 – 1/26 STORM

THANK YOU TO WATER AND WASTEWATER CREW FOR MAINTANING OUR SYSTEMS DURING THE COLD SPELLS

Any other business before the board

ADJOURN MEETING AT 7:14PM
INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILPERSON WELCH
SECONDED BY: COUNCILPERSON WILLIAM

With no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 7:14PM, carried unanimously

Erica Hedden
Town Clerk