

TOWN OF ROSENDALE
TOWN BOARD Meeting
APRIL 8, 2026

Supervisor Walsh opened the meeting at 6:00 PM followed by the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for Nancy Wood and Ricky Matthews.

Present:	Supervisor	Jeanne L. Walsh
	Councilmember	Robert Fade
	Councilmember	Marc Cassidy
	Councilmember	Carrie Wykoff
	Councilmember	Ashley Sweeney

Also Present – Jill LaFera; Assistant to the Supervisor, Joe LaFera; RMC Building Manager and Kenneth Hassett; Deputy Supervisor.

Committee Reports

Recreation (Councilmember Sweeney):

Game night is April 17th at 6:00 PM and will be the last one until September and a book exchange April 19th at 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM with a limit of 10 books.

Pre-signups for pool memberships and swim lesson will be April 18th from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

American leak detection are coming to check the leak at the pool and hoping it is minor.

They need more lifeguards for the pool, but no more cashiers.

All weekly classes are going well, and the watercolor class is the most popular and more may be added.

Youth (Councilmember Sweeney):

Camp registration went well and are full for the Summer. There is a waiting list.

They took in \$66,000.00 at registration but will increase because some people just paid a deposit at registration. Matt is currently looking for camp staff and will start interviews soon.

The Easter Egg Hunt had about 30 kids and the Easter Bunny showed up.

There will a Mother's Day tea and cookies May 9th 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the Recreation Center.

Library (Councilmember Sweeney)

They are planning their summer reading program and will have a date for an event at Widow Jane Mine.

Food Pantry (Councilmember Sweeney)

Easter went well and the kids were excited to get candy bags.

Volunteers are always needed especially with larger vehicles.

Environmental Commission (Councilmember Wykoff):

They are working on another presentation on compost.

They may have an information session at the Transfer Station and include the correct way to recycle.

UCRRA had an event where anyone could purchase a bag of compost for \$5.00 that was created in Ulster County.

Transfer Station (Councilmember Wykoff):

Took in \$1,420.00 in March and \$7,171.00 in permits.

RMC (Councilmember Wykoff):

Joe is working on RMC plan for sheltering in case of emergencies and will be completed once he meets with Dorene, Safety Officer, to iron out details.

Bookings have been going well.

Met with Labella associate to go over additional measurements to further complete design of electrical upgrades.

Joe has a meeting with the New Energy Project Manager tomorrow for a walk through for the RMC solar project.

Debbi Lan (Bloom Singing Group) has expressed interest in renewing her lease for 12 months for M-7.

Working on re-vamping the RMC application for use.

Starting to un-winterize and prepare for the spring & summer seasons

Joe has been assisting Rosendale Court Clerk with some items pertaining to their courtroom project.

Economic Development (Councilmember Wykoff):

Only one member attended the last meeting.

Police Department (Councilman Cassidy):

From the period of January through March 2026, there has been:

1360 Calls for Service/Incidents, 62 criminal cases, 30 arrests, 27 personal injury auto accidents, 31 property damage auto accidents and 58 medical calls,
There are currently 4 full-time and 4 part-time officers.

All vehicles are operational.

Unfortunately, the RPD did not receive the grant for new axon worn cameras. Until funding can be identified, the department is replacing the batteries on a regular basis to ensure functionality.

New firearms have arrived and officers are in process of signing up for training at the safe shoot facility.

Officer Fagerstrom is in the final stages of the Instructor Development course to enable the RPD to do its own in-house training

Chief Schaffrick attended an Executive Rescue workshop in Rhinebeck. Officer Fagerstrom is also trying out for the UC Emergency response team.

Officer Quigly attended a training course on Executive Management in Albany.

Highway Department (Councilman Cassidy):

Cleaning the town's roads. They've used smaller equipment with brooms on them to sweep the roads, intersections, and culdesac as they wait for the sweeper vehicle's hydraulic pump to be repaired. In the meantime, the Village of New Paltz will be assisting with sweeping starting April 9th.

They have been cutting brush, trees, cleaning ditches, and catch basins.

Received a New (used) dump truck to replace a 1997 plow/ Sander truck which will be going up for auction.

Justice (Councilman Cassidy):

March accounts:

Pape's fine account has \$4735.00 and bail account has \$8300.00.

Ragucci's fine account has \$8193.00 and bail account has \$2821.00.

Town Clerk (Councilman Cassidy):

In March, the Town Clerk collected \$16,100.17 in fees, licenses, permits and other miscellaneous revenues. This figure includes \$ 15,534.00 for building permits for the from the Building Department.

Marbletown Rescue (Councilman Cassidy):

Marc had the opportunity to visit the Marbletown rescue office in High Falls. He learned about the long history of the agency, its organizational structure, service areas, vehicles

and equipment, and I met with several of their oi employees and the types of training they are required to have.

UCTSB(Councilman Cassidy):

The April meeting was postponed to April 13th.

Planning (Councilmember Fade)

They only have one application for an ADU.

ZBA (Councilmember Fade):

No new business and the meeting was cancelled.

Fire Marshal (Councilmember Fade):

There were 6 fire inspections, one reinspection, two short term rental inspections and one reinspection, one property maintenance and three burn permits.

Building (Councilmember Fade):

There were 36 different fees collected for various permits and applications.

They Took in \$8,944.00 for March.

Supervisor report: READ.

Appointments/Resignations

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to hire Theresa Cain as Deputy Town Clerk at \$21.00 per hour for 26 hours per week and 3 hours per diem with a 6-month probationary period, 2nd by Councilmember Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the following (pro-rated) stipends for Theresa Cain – Registrar of Vital Statistics - \$1,000.00 per year and RMC Clerk - \$510.00 per year, 2nd by Councilmember Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Site Plans

1. Eric Waldheim – American Legion 1219 – Eric read a letter about the 2026 Memorial Day Parade. The parade is May 25th at 10:00 AM. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the Memorial Day parade, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

2. Billy Liggan- Farmer’s Market – The Town Board discussed the site plan and closing of the charging station. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the Rosendale Farmer’s Market, 2nd by Councilmember Cassidy.

ROLL VOTE:

Councilmember Wykoff	RECUSED
Councilmember Sweeney	YES
Councilmember Fade	YES
Councilmember Cassidy	YES
Supervisor Walsh	YES

3. Mac Dorris-Ride for Mental Health – Mac presented the board with his annual bike ride for mental health. He thanked the board for their continued support. Supervisor Walsh made a motion to approve the event Ride for Mental Health, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Motions

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept a \$1,000.00 donation from Stewart’s Holiday Match Program, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to accept a \$400.00 donation from the Bloomington Fire Company Auxiliary Commitment to kids, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to offer the Recreation Center as a venue to the Rosendale Library Bond vote to ensure there will be accessibility and all public voters of the Town of Rosendale have access to vote, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolutions

Resolution 04-2026-#6 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion to call a Public Hearing on May 6, 2026, at 7:00 PM on behalf of the Rosendale Public Library District, 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#7 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with the fiscal advisors and marketing, Inc., 2nd by Councilmember Sweeney. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#8 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale accepts the 2026 Rosendale Plains Cemetery Maintenance agreement with Campbell & Sons Lawn Maintenance, 2nd by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#9 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale sign the agreement with Canopy Tree Service for brush cutting along the Flood Control riprap area, 2nd by Councilmember Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#10 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Cummins for the generator maintenance, 2nd by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#11 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with the Bloomington Fire District to access the antenna at Maple Hill, 2nd by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#12 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement for the construction for Rosendale Courtroom, 2nd by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 Yes.

Resolution 04-2026-#13 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement for the carpet installation of the courtroom, 2nd by Councilman Cassidy. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Resolution 04-2026-#14 – Supervisor Walsh made a motion that the Town Board of the Town of Rosendale pay a retainer for Attorney of the Town, 2nd by Councilmember Wykoff. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to pay bills, 2nd by Councilmember Fade. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

AUDIT OF BILLS

GENERAL FUND	ABSTRACT 4	VOUCHER #141-162	\$166,304.87
HIGHWAY FUND	ABSTRACT 4	VOUCHER #62-70	\$106,212.16
WATER FUND	ABSTRACT 4	VOUCHER #48-56	\$11,295.85
SEWER FUND	ABSTRACT 4	VOUCHER #49-57	\$11,277.49

SPECIAL LIGHTING	ABSTRACT 4	VOUCHER #4	\$871.03
RMC FUND	ABSTRACT 4	VOUCHER #53-64	\$24,295.15

Supervisor Walsh made a motion to adjourn at 8:01 PM, 2nd by Councilmember Fade. ROLL VOTE: 5 YES.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mandy Donald
Town Clerk