



# *Schuyler Town Newsletter*

TOWN OF SCHUYLER, HERKIMER COUNTY, NEW YORK

FEBRUARY 2026

## *Welcome Kristin Salamone - Newly Appointed Town Clerk*



### *In her own words:*

I grew up in Deerfield and am a graduate of Poland Central School. I moved to Schuyler in 1992 after meeting my now husband, Joe. We married in 1998. We homeschooled all three of our children, Christopher, Julia, and Jeffrey. My hobbies include gardening, traveling, and telling stories about my adventures. My new favorite hobbies are include country line dancing and genealogy.

I'm very proud of my family history and have been a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) since 2016. I've been involved in the Boy Scouts of America since 2006. For many years our family brought the petting zoo to the Schuyler Extravaganza.

I have been a poll inspector of Board of Elections in Schuyler for the past several years. My strong points are organization, I'm tech savvy, and am customer service oriented.

*Kristin Salamone*



### January Birthday of the Month

Congratulations to Margaret Ludwig, whose Birthday is January 17th!!

Margaret won a gift card to our local Dollar General store!



#### Schuyler Birthday Form

Birthday Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop off at Schuyler Town Office or e-mail to Birthdays@townofschuylerny.gov by the 15th of the month. Enjoy your choice of a gift card to a local business or homemade birthday cake.

### Submitted January Birthdays - Happy Birthday Everyone!

David Petriski	January 4	Tia Elow	January 8
Rosalie Griffo	January 12	Ian Cedano	January 14
Frank Griffo	January 15	Joe Griffo	January 16
Mary Lou Smith	January 25	Adriana Griffo	January 31

#### East Schuyler Methodist Church

Sunday Service is at 9:30 A.M.  
118 Church Road in Schuyler



#### West Schuyler Methodist Church

Sunday Service is at 11 A.M.  
297 Wood Lane in Schuyler



**Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company Inc**  
**MID-WINTER**  
**CHICKEN BBQ**

**STATION 1**  
**MARCH 8<sup>th</sup>**  
*Noon til gone*



The West Schuyler United Methodist Church on 297 Wood Lane, invites **ALL** denominations to our Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday February 18th at 5:00 pm. Service is from 5:00 to 6:00 pm with a community connection hour to follow from 6:00 pm till 7:00 pm. Ashes will be provided during the service and available during the community connection time as well.

Coffee/tea and refreshments will be provided at 6pm - 7pm.

All are welcome to join our regular Sunday service at 11:00 am.

### **Celebrate the USA's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday by learning more about America!**

Do you have questions like...

Why is our town named *Schuyler*?

Was Benedict Arnold really a traitor?

Was the banner sewn from bits of clothing worn by soldiers at Fort Stanwix the first American flag to fly in combat?

Join us on Sunday, April 12, 2026 at the Schuyler Town Office from 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. to get these and many other questions answered. Darryl Gillette, a lifelong town resident and historian, will be on hand to bring history to life. Mr. Gillette has a vast knowledge of American history, as well as the history of our town of Schuyler.

The Town of Schuyler Historical is proud to host this entertaining and educational free event.

We hope to see you there.

TOWN OF SCHUYLER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Schuyler Chronicles ~~~ Issue # 20 ~ February 2026

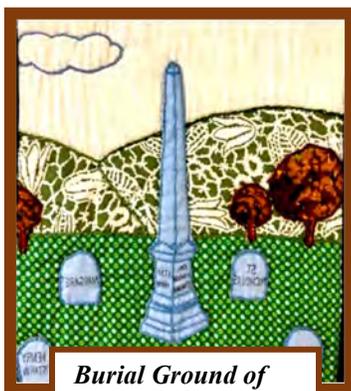
If you've ever been in the court room at the Schuyler Town Office, you may have noticed a large hand-made quilt hanging on the front wall. An article about the quilt was featured in the Utica newspaper in May 1976. It measures 80 by 80 inches and has 24 scenes of sites found in the Town of Schuyler and the surrounding areas such as the Fort Herkimer Church and the Oriskany Battlefield. It was designed and stitched by members of the Schuyler Home Bureau. The theme of the handmade quilt is 'Drums Along the Mohawk'.



Each member of the Home Bureau was given a square and worked on it at home. All materials were provided to ensure uniform colors, size, and style. The colors used were rich earthy tones which were used in the days of early settlers. When all squares were finished, they were collected and stitched together with every other block featuring a drum. The quilt took several months to complete.

The blocks were designed by Catherine Sullivan. Daisy Livingston was the quilting instructor. Other members who worked on the quilt were Dorothy Tripoli, Jane Windecker, Frances Gadway, Nancy Bray, Muriel Ellis (Club Chairperson), Ruth Sterling, and Helen Sharo.

Here are three of the featured blocks:



*Burial Ground of Heinrich Staring, Delegate to Constitution Ratification Convention, 1788*



*Stone School House District #3 Herkimer Road*



*An injured General Herkimer at the Battle of Oriskany*

This is a beautiful piece of craftsmanship. I applaud all the ladies who had a hand in making this quilt. Their work will be admired for generations to come.

Submitted for your reading enjoyment, Christine Proulx, Recording Secretary, Town of Schuyler



**Town Board Meeting - December 10, 2025**

**Town Board Members Present:**

Supervisor John Werczynski, Councilmen Joe Juliano, Dale Dodge, Eric Kane, and Town Clerk Barbara Boulia. Absent was Councilwoman Bette Szesny.

Supervisor Werczynski opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**October & November Minutes:**

Motion by Kane, second by Juliano to approve the October 8 and November 12, 2025 minutes; all in favor.

**Pay the Bills:**

Motion to pay bills by Dodge, second by Juliano; all in favor.

**Codes Officer Report:**

Phillip Green said they have about 60 permits and inspections are still going on. This is his last meeting as he's officially retiring at the end of the month. He is willing to help until there is a replacement found. He offered thanks to the board and thankful for the 25 years of service.

**Supervisor's Report:**

Planning Board Report by Jeff Dingman

Jeff Dingman provided an update saying they've had an application from Stark development (Utica Roofing). They are hoping to have a public hearing on January 7 or February 11, 2026.

IT Update

Jeff Dingman gave an update on equipment needs and indicated the Clerk and Deputy Clerk computers have been working well. CCNY Tech, the company that we purchased the computers from, offers IT support for a monthly fee of \$66.

Motion by Juliano for purchase of IT services at a cost of \$66 per month, second by Dodge; all in favor.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report

ZBA Chairperson JoAnn Mammone provided information regarding a residential solar application by Acadia Energy that the board is considering. The board would like to hire an engineer and attorney to review the application. The board agreed that they were not comfortable moving forward until the county's requirements are settled and the application looked over.

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<b>Town Board Meeting - December 10, 2025 cont'd.</b>
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Funds for Judge's School

Our new Town Justice, Angela DeMichele is requesting funds to attend Judge's school at \$114 per night. Motion to pay that amount by Kane, second Juliano; all in favor.

Water Project

Supervisor Werczynski indicated the meeting with Deerfield went. Councilman Juliano said he spoke with someone there who would inquire and see if there was a pressure leak in each water line. They are moving forward with trying to accommodate the town.

Wood Lane Park Grant

The meeting with Mohawk Valley Park Development went well. A meeting is coming up with Sunshine Jenkins as well.

The Herkimer Industrial Development Agency (IDA) is still working on East Schyler water. The MS4 report has been completed and submitted to DEC.

Consider Elimination of Town Clerks Hours

Town Clerk Barbara Boulia said that no one comes in during the additional Monday evening hours, and suggested people make an appointment instead. There was concern about eliminating the evening hours at this time and the board has decided to wait on a final decision.

End-of-Year Meeting

Supervisor Werczynski said an organizational meeting needs to be scheduled. A motion was made by Kane, second by Juliano to set the meeting for December 30, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.; all in favor.

Revision of Employment Policy:

Town attorney Mark Wolber asked several questions of Town Clerk Barbara Boulia with regard to the current employment policy as there are discrepancies in the percentage amounts allocated for waived health insurance benefits versus what is submitted to the payroll processor, ADP.

Wolber: Who does the payroll?

Boulia: ADP

Wolber: How does ADP get the hours?

Boulia: I give it to them. I only do Wendy, MaryAnn, and Andre. Highway does Highway.

Wolber: For the ones you do, does anyone ever work overtime?

Boulia: No

Wolber: If someone works overtime, who takes care that?

Boulia: Highway

Wolber: The employment policy from January 1, 2013. Is that the most recent one?

Boulia: Yes

Wolber: Is that the one you work off of?

Boulia: Pretty much, yes.

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**Town Board Meeting - December 10, 2025 cont'd.**

- Wolber: According to this policy, the health insurance is 5%.
- Boulia: No, it's 15%. It's always been 15.
- Wolber: If a non-elected employee waives health insurance, how much do they receive? 30%. 26%; or 34%?
- Boulia: Isn't it 30%? Or what's on there.
- Wolber: What elected official doesn't receive health insurance?
- Boulia: That would be me, and John.
- Wolber: What about Judge Christie?
- Boulia: Yes, him also.
- Wolber: During the past year, it was about \$1,000 – is that right? Elected officials should receive about \$340 per month, is that correct?
- Boulia: No, if someone is married.
- Wolber - Elected officials are based on single only.
- Boulia – 34% of single annual premium per policy
- Wolber – was there another document that indicated it was 34% of married annual premium?
- Boulia – I was always told it was married.
- Based on what it says, how much? \$302.29 \$340 should be based on \$1,000
- Wolber – how much did Judge Christie get?
- Boulia – I see you singled me out here. I don't know how much Christie got.
- Wolber – who would have told the payroll how much?
- Wolber – which is it – 34% or 26%?
- Wolber – when you send to the payroll company, who gives them the amount to add? Who gives the payroll company the number?
- Boulia – it would be me.
- Wolber – how much should you be getting per month as you waive health insurance?
- Boulia – if it were single, it would be two or three hundred dollars. \$340
- Wolber – how much are you getting?
- Boulia – close to \$600
- Wolber – how long have you been getting that amount?
- Boulia – for about a year, two years maybe.
- Wolber – why would that be different that what Christie gets?
- Boulia – he's single, I'm married
- Wolber – on policy from 2013 it says that it's 34% of the single rate.
- Boulia – whatever.
- Wolber – is that right? Is that what the policy says?
- Boulia – it says 34% of the single coverage
- Wolber – that would be roughly \$340 per month, right?
- Boulia – when you go to work, they always cover the husband and the wife.
- Wolber – if you get the insurance, it covers the husband and the wife. But if you waive it, it's based on the single rate, it doesn't matter if you're single or married if waiving.
- Boulia – I guess you're right.
- Wolber – I'm just asking you
- Wolber – How much was Lucenti getting? He waived too, right?
- Boulia – Right
- Wolber – how much was he getting?
- Boulia - I don't know how much he was getting.

**Town Board Meeting - December 10, 2025 cont'd.**

- Wolber – who would tell the payroll company how much to be reimbursed?  
Boulia – the payroll company?  
Wolber – you said they write the checks.  
Boulia – they write the checks, correct  
Boulia – if he was single, he would've gotten 34% or whatever it was  
Wolber – he should have been getting that from the time that he  
Boulia – I think he did  
Wolber – is that what he got?  
Boulia – I think he did; yes, I believe so, I don't know  
Wolber – if it was different than that, would that be wrong?  
Boulia – yes  
Wolber – was yours wrong?  
Boulia – mine is wrong from what you're telling me on that  
Boulia – elected official is the key right there, elected  
Wolber – and that is the policy you used, correct?

**Motion to go into Executive Session:**

A motion to enter into an executive session to discuss personnel matters was made by Juliano, second by Dodge; all in favor.

**Motion to come out of Executive Session:**

Motion by Kane, second by Juliano; all in favor.

**Resident Comment:**

Resident Chris Proulx expressed her concern about an older home on Route 5 next to Clayton Homes, as well as a barn located elsewhere on Route 5. They are both becoming safety concerns. It was also brought up that this coming Saturday will be Breakfast with Santa and the Historical Society will have a table there.

Resident Rick Proulx asked if there was going to be a new committee for the new park grant. Harry Robbins asked if the Town had any further information about the water project bids. Councilman Juliano gave an update on how the town is moving forward with that project. They should know the result of the bids and additional funding soon.

**Motion to Close:**

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned by Kane, second by Juliano; all in favor. Final roll call was completed by Town Clerk Barbara Boulia.

Following the Board Meeting, Town Clerk Barbara Boulia announced her retirement effective immediately.

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**Town Board End-of-Year Meeting - December 31, 2025**

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**Council Members Present:**

Supervisor Werczynski, Councilmen Joe Juliano, Eric Kane, Dale Dodge. Absent was Bette Szesny and Highway Superintendent Phillip Johnson.

**Also Present Were:**

Deputy Town Clerk Andrea Crossett, Judge George Luther II, and Town Residents: Harry Robbins, Robin Lindsay, Tina Dodge, Aric Crossett, June Werczynski, John Dickan, Butch Luther and Richard DiMichele.

Supervisor Werczynski opened the meeting at 1:30 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Pay Bills:**

Motion by Juliano, second by Kane, that the bills be approved, all in favor.

Appoint and Install Town Members:

Judge George Luther II, swore in John Werczynski as Town Supervisor with a term ending 12/31/2026, Town Clerk Andrea Crossett with a term ending 12/31/2026, Dale Dodge as a member of the Schuyler Town Council with a term ending 12/31/2029, Angela DiMichele as Town Justice with a term ending 12/31/2029, George J Luter III as member of the Schuyler Town Council with a term ending 12/31/2029, Robin Lindsay as Town Codes Enforcement Officer and Planning Board member with a term ending 12/31/2029.

**Motion to Close Meeting:**

There being no further business, motion by Juliano and second by Kane to close the Town Board Meeting at 1:52 P.M.

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**Planning Board Meeting - January 7, 2026**

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**Planning Board Members Present:**

Chairman Victor Costanza, Vice Chairman David Fusillo, Jean Finster, Michael Ritter, Robin Lindsay, James Digristina, and Dan Tripoli.

**Also Present Were:**

Town Supervisor John Werczynski, Town Councilmen Joe Juliano, George Luther, and Dale Dodge. County Legislator Anthony Lucenti, Don Hammond, Sarah Collignon, and Planning Board Secretary Jeffery Dingman.

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<b>Planning Board Meeting - January 7, 2026 cont'd.</b>
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Chairman Costanza opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Motion to Approve Minutes:**

Motion by Fusillo, second by Digristina to approve the December 3, 2025 Planning Board minutes; all in favor.

**New Projects:**

Joe Juliano offered his support for the Bryne Dairy project in (what is now) Dave's Diner. A new application and presentation for this project will be given next Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 5:30 P.M. A public hearing for the Stark Development Project (Utica Roofing) and the Bryne Dairy Project will be scheduled for February 4, 2026.

**Motion for Reappointments:**

Jim Digristina and Michael Ritter are up for re-appointment to the Planning Board. Supervisor Werczynski gave his approval to keep the current appointments (Chairman Victor Costanza and Vice-Chairman Dave Fusillo included).

**Motion to Close Meeting:**

There being no additional business, a motion to close the Planning Board meeting was made at 6:10 P.M. by Digristina, second by Finster; all in favor.

<b>Planning Board Meeting - January 13, 2026</b>
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**Planning Board Members Present:**

Chairman Victor Costanza, Vice Chairman David Fusillo, Jean Finster, Robin Lindsay, James Digristina, and Dan Tripoli. Absent was Michael Ritter and Catherine Nimey.

**Also Present Were:**

Town Supervisor John Werczynski, Town Councilmen Joe Juliano and Dale Dodge, Phillip Green, Christine Proulx, Rick Proulx, Legislature Anthony Lucenti, Heather Tehan, AJ Klimek, Recording Secretary Sarah Collignon, and Planning Board Secretary Jeffery Dingman.

Chairman Costanza opened the meeting at 5:30 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Motion to Approve Minutes:**

Motion by Fusillo, second by Digristina to approve the January 7, 2026 Planning Board minutes; all in favor. Modification needed to reflect that Catherine Nimey was absent at both December 3, 2025 and January 7, 2026 Planning Board Meetings.

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**Planning Board Meeting - January 13, 2026 cont'd.**

**Motion to Adopt Resolution of Intent to Act as Lead Agency:**

Motion by. Tripoli, second by Digristina; all in favor

**Motion to Set Public Hearing**

A Public Hearing will be set for February 4, 2026 at 6:30 P.M. Motion by Fusillo, second by Digristina; all in favor.

**Motion to Close Meeting:**

There being no additional business, a motion to close the Planning Board meeting was made at 5:58 P.M. by Fusillo, second by Digristina; all in favor.

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**Town Board Meeting - January 14, 2026**

**Town Board Members Present:**

Supervisor John Werczynski, Councilmen Joe Juliano, Dale Dodge, Eric Kane, George Luther, III, and Highway Superintendent Philip Johnson

**Also Present Were:**

Christine Proulx, Rick Proulx, Legislature Anthony Lucenti, JoAnn Mammone, Mohawk Valley Economic Development Deputy Director Heather Devitt, Codes Officer Robin Lindsay, Tina Dodge, Tim Riecker, Harry Robbins, Don Haman, Dan Maxwell, Andrew Tophan, Joshua Phillips, Sarah Collignon, and Jeffery Dingman.

Supervisor John Werczynski opened the meeting at 6:02 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**December Minutes:**

The December 10th and 31st, 2025 Town Board minutes will be approved at the February meeting.

**Presentation by Heather Devitt, Deputy Director MVEDD:**

Heather Devitt from Mohawk Valley Economic Development District presented an update on the Wood Lane Park project and would like to put together a committee. They currently have a Parks & Recreation grant from the State and have land that was purchased. They answered questions from the board members regarding the finances, terms of the grant/funding, and timeframe.

**Pay the Bills:**

Motion to pay bills by Juliano, second by Dodge; all in favor.

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<b>Town Board Meeting - January 14, 2026 cont'd.</b>
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**Codes Officer Report:**

Robert Lindsay gave a report. One resident is having an issue he's been dealing with, but overall things are good.

**Highway Report:**

Philip Johnson gave an update and indicated there is a salt shortage, but we have been able to obtain what we need at this point. He also gave an update on the finances of the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program 'CHIPS'). There was discussion about the roads that may need some attention/repair come spring.

**Assessor Report:**

Dan Maxwell gave an update saying many tax bills have gone out. They have been fielding a lot of questions via phone and email and assisting residents with registering for the STAR program. They have been gathering information on the mobile home parks in Town.

**Supervisor's Report:**Municipal grant writing

Anthony Lucenti gave an update regarding the finances/funding for the West Schuyler water district. He is still working on acquiring further qualifying grant money. There are several prospects. A resident had a question if certain contracts had been signed, approvals and timeframes. Juliano expressed confidence in acquiring the money needed to complete the project, but it may take time. Motion by Kane to go forward with applications for grants, second by Dodge; all in favor.

Dumpster Dates for 2026

The second weekends of April, June, August, and October were set for Town Dumpster dates. April 18 and 19, June 13 and 14, August 15 and 16, October 17 and 18.

Printer for Assessor

Jeff Dingman indicated a request has been made for a new printer for the assessor, and a line item was already set aside for the purchase in 2026. Motion by Kane, second by Juliano to purchase a printer for the Assessor for an amount not to exceed \$400.00; all in favor.

Jeff Dingman proposed a solution to avoid having the Assessor utilize the Town Clerk's fax line. Motion by Kane, second by Juliano to approve Cloud Fax, provided by Northland Telephone, for a cost of \$15.99 per month which includes 500 pages of faxes, one e-mail address, and one fax number; all in favor. Dingman indicated the two other fax numbers for the Town Clerk and Town Court will be kept as regular POTs lines.

Jeff Dingman suggested the Town Clerk be provided with a digital recorder. Motion by Dodge, second by Kane to purchase a digital recorder for an amount not to exceed \$150.00; all in favor.

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**Town Board Meeting - January 14, 2026 cont'd.**

Planning Board Report

Planning Board Secretary Jeff Dingman gave an update on the current applications for new business and projects coming to Schuyler, including Stark Development and Byrne Dairy.

Zoning Board of Appeals Report

ZBA Secretary Jeff Dingman gave an update on a solar application by Acadia Energy that the board is considering.

Miscellaneous

Motion by Juliano, second by Kane to give all full-time employees a \$50 Christmas bonuses; all in favor.

Councilman Kane brought up that they have had a problem with ADP and getting Supervisor Werczynski as an approver. Tim Riecker recommended another company called ConnectPay that could be used. The board will give it some time to see if the issues resolve before switching companies.

**Resident Comment:**

Tim Riecker spoke about the Public Nuisance Ordinance and would like to get things up and running again for the Public Safety Committee, which includes himself, Phil Johnson, John Scholl, JoAnn Mammone, Joe Scalise, and Robin Lindsay. Motion to reappoint positions by Dodge, second by Juliano; all in favor.

**Motion to Close Meeting:**

There being no additional business, a motion to close the Town Board meeting was made at 7:12 P.M. by Kane, second by Juliano; all in favor.

**Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - February 3, 2026**

**Zoning Board Members Present:**

Chairperson JoAnn Mammone, Jeffery Dingman, Sarah Collignon, and Carrie Puleo.

**Also Present Were:**

Town Supervisor John Werczynski, Phillip Green, County Legislature Anthony Lucenti, and Codes Officer Robin Lindsay.

Chairperson Mammone opened the meeting at 6:10 P.M.

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<b>Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting - February 3, 2026 cont'd.</b>
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**Firehouse Land Purchase Discussion:**

Legislature Lucenti presented a situation where Herkimer County has acquired an abandoned house with land on Newport Road. The Firehouse would like to purchase the land; however the county would like to keep the house. As it is, the property boundary would only cover 6,400 ft., under the required zoning of 15,000 ft. for a house. Phillip Green said that the house is old enough to be grandfathered in and not subject to the current requirements, provided the ZBA gives their approval of a variance, as well as location of the septic system.

Motion by Dingman, second by Collignon to grant and area variance, with the stipulation that the Septic System is within the Boundary; all in favor.

**Initial Meeting between ZBA & Solar Engineer  
Re: Application by Acadia Energy Corp.:**

Tim Carpenter with MRB Engineering called into the meeting by phone and gave his credentials to the board. Some of that included Tim having done a lot of work in our surrounding area, 25-30 years of experience is civil engineering, and he is very familiar with solar projects. Secretary Dingman will send over the documents we have on the project so far for Tim to review and the board will set up another meeting later this month with the applicant.

**Motion to Close Meeting:**

There being no additional business, a motion to close the Zoning Board meeting was made at 6:45 P.M. by Collignon, second by Dingman; all in favor.

<b>Planning Board Meeting - February 4, 2026</b>
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**Planning Board Members Present:**

Vice Chairman David Fusillo, Jean Finster, Robin Lindsay, James Digristina, and Dan Tripoli *Absent:*  
*Chairman Victor Costanza, Michael Ritter, James Digristina, and Catherine Nimey.*

**Also Present Were:**

Town Supervisor John Werczynski, Town Councilmen Joe Juliano, George Luther, III, and Dale Dodge, County Legislator Anthony Lucenti, Harry Robbins, Donald Ehre, Christine Proulx, Rick Proulx, Anthony Klimek, Christian Brunelle, Marshall Winn, Sarah Collignon, and Planning Board Secretary Jeffery Dingman.

Vice-Chairman Fusillo opened the meeting at 6:02 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Motion to Approve Minutes:**

Motion by Finster, second by Lindsay to approve the January 7, 2026 Planning Board minutes; all in favor.

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**Planning Board Meeting - February 4, 2026 cont'd.**

**Open Public Hearing: Stark Development LLC:**

Donald Ehre gave a brief summary of the plans that Stark Development LLC has for the business park. A few residents had questions about equipment storage, whether it would be inside or out. It will be both.

**Motion for Resolution to Confirm Lead Agency status:**

Motion by Lindsay, second by Tripoli; all in favor

There being no further questions, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:14 PM

**Motions to close SEQR/Adopt Negative Declaration/Approve Project:**

Motion to close SEQR by Lindsay, second by Finster; all in favor.

Motion to Adopt a Negative Declaration by Finster, second by Lindsay; all in favor.

Motion to approve project by Fusillo, second by Lindsay; all in favor.

**Public Comment:**

Legislature Lucenti gave an update about Herkimer County Land Bank acquiring an abandoned house with land on Newport Road. The Firehouse would like to purchase the land; however the county would like to keep the house. As it is, the house property boundary would only cover 6,400 ft., under the zoning requirements. Phillip Green and Codes Officer Robin Lindsay were present at the ZBA meeting last night and said that the house is old enough to be grandfathered in and not subject to the current requirements, provided the ZBA gives their approval of a variance, as well as location of the septic system. The ZBA did vote to give a variance (with the septic stipulation) and the County confirmed today that the septic is within the house boundary.

**Open Public Hearing: Sonbyrne Sales, Inc. (Schuyler Byrne Dairy):**

Christian Brunelle gave a brief summary of the plans for the Byrne Dairy Convenient store where Dave's Diner was. He also said that the DOT requirements will be met. The septic will be moved to allow for the car shows to take place without an issue.

A resident asked if there are plans for the area behind the property. Brunelle said no, but it will be mowed.

**Motion for Resolution to Confirm Lead Agency status:**

Motion by Lindsay, second by, Fusillo; all in favor

There being no further questions, the Public Hearing: was closed at 6:37 PM

**Motions to Close SEQR/Adopt Negative Declaration/Approve Project:**

Motion to close SEQR by Lindsay, second by Fusillo; all in favor

Motion to Adopt a Negative Declaration by Lindsay, second by Finster; all in favor

Motion to approve the project by Lindsay, second by Tripoli; all in favor

**Motion to Close Meeting:**

There being no additional business, a motion to close the Planning Board meeting was made at 6:39 P.M. by Lindsay, second by Tripoli; all in favor.

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## 2026 Town Dumpster Dates

April 18 and April 19  
June 13 and June 14  
August 15 and August 16  
October 17 and October 18

Saturday: 8 A.M.- 4 P.M.  
Sunday: 8 A.M.- Noon

### Items Accepted:

(Limited to (1) Pickup Truck Load (4 cubic yd.)

- Green Waste (Brush, Grass, Leaves)
- White Goods & Metals (Household Appliances)
- Stuffed Furniture, Mattresses, Rugs
- Batteries

### Items Not Accepted:

- Construction & Demolition Materials
- Chemicals, Oil, Toxic Containers
- Large Tires (over 16"); Tractor Tires
- Household Garbage
- Paint Cans
- Recyclables

### Additional Charge:

- Car Tires up to 16 " - \$6 each
- Car Tires up to 16" with Rims - \$3 each

Permits available from the Town Clerk's Office for \$10  
(valid for entire year)

Proof of town residency (valid driver's license) required





# FREE TAX PREP

You may qualify for FREE tax preparation through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program if your household income was less than \$67,000 through employment in 2024.

- **No Walk-Ins**
- **Appointments Available (Feb. through Apr.)**
- **Returns Filed Electronically**
- **Refunds *Usually* Available Within Two (2) Weeks of Filing**

# Upcoming Community Events

## VIRTUAL LIVESTOCK SUMMIT

**When:** Wednesdays at 7pm  
**Where:** Zoom  
For ages 8 and up

- **February 4:** Swine
- **February 11:** Meat Science
- **February 18:** Goats
- **February 25:** Show Calves
- **March 4:** Opportunities & Quiz Bowl



**More Register:**  
<https://bit.ly/2026LivestockSummit>

## Winter Horse Round-Up

**When:** Friday - Saturday,  
February 20-22  
**Where:** Amboy 4-H Center  
For ages 8 and up



Join for a weekend of fun, learning, and adventure at the annual 4-H Winter Round-Up!



**Register:**  
<https://bit.ly/4pODWXS>

## Virtual Dairy Bowl Quiz

**When:** Thursdays at 7 PM  
**Where:** Zoom

- **February 12:** Mastitis & Milk Quality
- **February 19:** Reproduction
- **February 26:** Nutrition



**More Register:**  
<https://bit.ly/2026DairyQuiz>



## 4-H Dairy Farm Tour & Dairy Judging Clinic

**When:** Sunday, February 22  
Noon  
**Where:** Ridgedale Farms  
Sharon Springs

Open to 4-H youth ages 8-19.

RSVP to  
[KY292@cornell.edu](mailto:KY292@cornell.edu)  
or 518-853-2135 by  
**Thursday, February 19th.**





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Town Clerk: 315-733-7458  
  
Court Clerk: 315-733-1093

**Town Highway Department**  
  
Philip Johnson  
Highway Superintendent  
  
Highway Garage: 315-733-7617  
Cell Phone: 315-240-1485  
highway@townofschuylerny.gov

**Town of Schuyler  
Historical Society**  
  
317-917-3334  
  
Please leave a message  
if no one is available

**Town Assessor**  
  
Amie Maxwell: 315-733-7458 ext. 225  
  
Office Hours Tuesdays 1 P.M. - 3 P.M.  
or by appointment

**Codes Enforcement Officer**  
  
Call Before Starting  
ANY Building Project  
  
Robin C. Lindsay: 315-373-9592

**Dog Control Officer**  
  
Andrew Tiohan  
  
315-404-8447

**New York State Police or Fire  
Dial 911**

**East Schuyler Miller Cemetery**  
**Burial Sites Available**  
  
For information and current pricing, contact:  
Harry Robbins, President at 315-269-0861

**West Schuyler Miller Cemetery**  
**Burial Sites Available**  
  
For information and current pricing, contact:  
Earl Haman at 315-733-2920



**S/Sgt. John A. LaPolla Post #8728 VFW**  
**240 Wood Lane**



**Mike Collver, Commander**  
**Post Phone: 315-733-6609**  
**Commander Mike Collver Phone Number: 315-525-3680**  
Post Social Hour held Fridays at 3 P.M. ALL WELCOME