Regular Town Board Meeting
October 19th, 2026

The regular meeting of the Prattsburgh Town Board was called to order on October 19th, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. at the Prattsburgh Town Hall, Prattsburgh, NY. Supervisor Wordingham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Albert Wordingham Supervisor
Angela Einwachter Councilmember
Elizabeth Peck Councilmember
Sandra Squires Councilmember
Pete Scheid Councilmember
Edward Brockman Legal Counsel
Kim Sobolewski Town Clerk

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Squires, September 21st Meeting Minutes and the October 6th Special Meeting minutes were accepted with corrections.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires- Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the October 2026 financial report was accepted as presented by Supervisor Wordingham.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires- Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

AUDIT OF BILLS

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the board approved payment of the following bills on ABSTRACT #10 to be paid as presented. The total amount to be paid on ABSTRACT #10 is $119,965.64 (Voucher#399-432)

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires- Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

APPROPRIATIONS

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Squires, the board approved the October 2026 appropriations.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye

Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

HIGHWAY

Road Maintenance and Shared Services

- Provided shared services to the county, using the grader to help excavate an apron for its barn doors.
- Completed sweeping the roads that were chip sealed this year.
- Assigned two crew members to patch potholes on various roads for one day. Additional patching is still needed.

Equipment Deliveries and Rentals

The new grader was delivered on September 23, 2026. Thank you to the Town Board for its support. The grader is expected to provide reliable service for several years.

On September 24, 2026, we picked up a rental excavator from George and Swede. Most of the month was spent ditching to address damage from the March flooding and make roads safe for winter driving and plowing.

Ditching and Drainage Repairs

- **Cook School:** Spent 11 days on repairs and installed 50 feet of overflow pipe. Work will resume in the spring to complete the remaining FEMA-required repairs.
- **Lyons Hollow:** Spent 11 days on repairs, replacing 40 feet of 12-inch pipe and 45 feet of 24-inch pipe, installing 30 feet of 18-inch pipe, and ditching down to the bridge. The remaining FEMA-required repairs will be completed in the spring.
- **Tuttle Road:** Spent three days ditching, extended a driveway pipe, and increased the size of the cross pipe at the bottom from 18 inches to 24 inches. Ditched all of Tuttle Hill and the flats down to John Kunak's home. These repairs were not part of the FEMA work.
- **Hubbard Road:** Began ditching as part of the FEMA work.
- **Nageli Road:** Replaced a deteriorated cross pipe and cleaned the check dams.
- **Wraight Road:** Cleaned the check dams.

Repairs and Maintenance

- Recycled a load of old pipes.
- Replaced the radiator hose on T-304.
- Replaced the alternator on S-121.
- Greased and washed all trucks throughout the month.

Upcoming Work

We will continue ditching with our excavator as long as the weather permits. Once the rental excavator is returned, work will focus on:

- Roadside mowing and pothole patching.
- Preparing equipment for the winter season.
- Installing snow fencing, which is typically done in November.

WATER

I sent in our September Water Report to the DOH
I took our October Coli/Ecoli water sample to the Savona Lab
I read meters for the October billing
I did eight data logs for customers with high usage
I cleaned out 2 valve boxes and replaced the covers with newly painted covers
I cleaned and repainted 2 valve box covers
I cleaned out the old water truck of all the tools and equipment
I organized the new water truck with everything from the old one
I have been getting quotes from Cyclops, EJP and Ti Sales for a new chlorine analyzer because ours has quit working again
I have been working on replacing our failing automatic backwash valve at the pump house
I have had 5 alarms at the pump house from our failing chlorine analyzer
UDIG
Tickets – 65
Mark outs – 7
Emergency – 0
Design – 0

CODE

Permits apps - 7
Appearance Tickets-0
Renewals mailed-0
Building inspections- 15
Fire safety/property maintenance inspections- 3
Septic Inspections – 2
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Compliance inspections -2
Compliance orders – 0
Phone Calls – 119
Plan/Permit app. Reviews. 7
Emails-36
Incidents – 0

SUPERVISOR

9/15/26 Matt Bull (I.D.A.), Brad Sick (Larson Design), Lucas Martin (E.D.A.) and I are working on the next grant application for the wastewater project. We hope to have it submitted in the next two to three weeks.
9/17/26 I am in the middle of the 2027 Prattsburgh Budget. I hope to have it completed for a board review by the 25th.
9/24/26 Matt and I submitted the updated E.D.A. Grant request to Lucas Martin today. Lucas reviewed the revised request and responded with additional questions. We are hoping to complete the paperwork by the middle of October. I am also in contact with the regional director in Chicago to report on our progress.
10/1/26 Since July, the Office of the State Comptroller has been auditing the town. I had a meeting today with one of the members of that team. There was no particular reason that they chose Prattsburgh other than Prattsburgh has not been audited since the 90's. For the most part the team found no issues with Prattsburgh other than lack of formal documentation for planning of highway equipment purchases, specific work to be performed by the highway department in the coming year (to be approved by the board), and future use of the building reserve.
10/6/26 The Town Board met to discuss the Preliminary 2027 town budget. The budget was passed with 2% increase. The public hearing for the budget in scheduled for November 2nd at 6:00 P.M.
10/9/26 E.J. Warden (Planning Board Chair), Angela, and I met to discuss the Comprehensive Plan for the town. The existing plan is in desperate need for revision and updating. The plan hasn't been updated for over a decade. At the meeting we agreed that an outside resource is needed to ensure the finished product is correct. Southern Tier Central provides professional services to update comprehensive plans. SCT will also try to secure grants for the project. We will discuss it at the October meeting.
10/13/26 Deb Mathews (town dog warden) informed me that the kennel in Wayland that Prattsburgh and ten other towns have been using is scheduled to close the first of the year due to financial issues. Deb and I have discussed a couple of solutions. The next step is to meet with the town supervisor of Wayland and hopefully resolve the problem.
10/14/26 Matt Bull (I.D.A.), Lucas Martin (E.D.A.), Carly Creed-Herman (E.S.D.), and I met to discuss the next step in acquiring the E.D.A. Grant. Lucas wants complete assurance that the state grant from E.S.D. is totally secured for Prattsburgh before the E.D.A. moves to the next step. Carly was very clear that the state grant was in place. Next Monday Matt Bull, an engineer from the E.D.A., an engineer from Larson Design, and I are scheduled to discuss the P.E.R. and environmental impact of the project.

FOIL LAW

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the Board approved the following:

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Nye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH

Resolution No.25 -2026

Adopt of a Local Law Establishing Records Access Procedures for the Town of Prattsburgh

Motion by Councilperson Einwachter, seconded by

Councilperson Scheid to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh intends to adopt records access procedures for the Town of Prattsburgh pursuant ot the Public Officers Law of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board intends to act as Lead Agency for the purposes of the review of this proposed Local Law under the provisions of SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the action addresses only administrative provisions and therefore such adoption may be deemed to be a Type II Action pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law has been prepared and circulated to the Town Board.

Now Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh establishes itself as Lead Agency pursuant to 6NYCRR § 617 for the purposes of the environmental review of this action; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh determines that this action relates solely to administrative matters, therefore determines it to be a "Type II" action under SEQRA and accordingly no environmental review will be undertaken; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing on the proposed Local Law is hereby scheduled for

November 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Prattsburgh Town Hall and that notice thereof be made by legal counsel.

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, Kim Sobolewski, Clerk for the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben and State of New York, do hereby certify that the before mentioned RESOLUTION 25 2026 was adopted at the regular meeting the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh held on October 19, 2026 and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Dated: October 20, 2026

Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk

Town of Prattsburgh

PRATTSBURGH WIND ROAD USE AGREEMENT

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, the Board approved the Supervisor Wordingham to execute the Prattsburgh wind road use agreement.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2026
UPON MOTION OF Councilmember Peck, SECONDED BY Councilmember Einwachter, IT IS RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH AS FOLLOWS:
AUTHORIZATION FOR TOWN SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE PRATTSBURGH WIND ROAD USE AGREEMENT
WHEREAS, on September 24, 2024, Prattsburgh Wind LLC ("Prattsburgh Wind") was issued a Siting Permit for a Major Renewable Energy Facility (the "Siting Permit") by the State of New York Office of Renewable Energy Siting ("ORES") for a 147-megawatt (since amended to be a 152.1 megawatt) wind energy facility to be located in the Towns of Prattsburgh, Cohcoton, Wheeler, Howard, and Avoca (the "Project"); and
WHEREAS, the Siting Permit requires Prattsburgh Wind to address the use of Town roads and traffic control plans during Project construction and repair of Town roads if they are damaged by heavy equipment, construction, or maintenance activities during construction and operation of the Project; and
WHEREAS, the Permit also requires that Prattsburgh Wind obtain the necessary rights-of-way and access rights required for construction and operation of the Project, including underground electric cable crossings and Town road connections for Project access roads; and
WHEREAS, special counsel to the Town, in consultation with the Highway Superintendent, Town Supervisor, Town Attorney, and the Town's consulting engineers, have negotiated a draft Road Use Agreement, attached as Exhibit A and acceptable to Prattsburgh Wind, addressing the above Project matters related to Town roads, providing for pre- and post-construction surveys, road repair, road repair bonding, designated haul routes, traffic control plans, and approval processes for the location and methods for installation of access roads and road crossings; and
WHEREAS, the Board has had an opportunity to review the draft Road Use Agreement and understands its contents.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Board finds that entry into the Road Use Agreement by the by the Town, in terms presented in the Draft Road Use Agreement, is in the best interests of the Town of Prattsburgh; and
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into the Road Use Agreement and execute those documents necessary to memorialize such agreement, the execution thereof by the Town Supervisor to constitute conclusive evidence of such consistency and approval.
The foregoing Resolution was duly put to vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Wordingham AYE
Councilperson Peck AYE
Councilperson Einwachter AYE
Councilperson Squires AYE
Councilperson Scheid AYE

This Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

CERTIFICATION OF TOWN CLERK
STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF STEUBEN
Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk of the Town of Prattsburgh, Steuben County, New York, DOES HEREBY CERTIFY that she has compared the above Resolution duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh on the 19th day of October, 2026 with the original Resolution now on file in her office, and she certifies that it is a correct and true copy of that Resolution.
Dated: October 19, 2026

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KIM SOBOLEWSKI, TOWN CLERK

ADJOURNMENT
On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, and duly carried, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Squires-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye