

**VILLAGE OF PERRY
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 10, 2026**

A regular board meeting of the Village of Perry was held at the Village Hall, 46 North Main Street, Perry, New York at 7:30 pm on the 10th day of August 2026.

PRESENT:	Rick Hauser	Mayor
	Arlene Lapiana	Trustee
	Joel Bouchard	Trustee
	Richard Muolo	Trustee
ALSO PRESENT:	Samantha Marcy	Administrator
	Christina Slusser	Village Clerk
GUESTS:	Jeff Boorsma, MRB Group	Lorraine Sturm, Perry Herald
	Robert Ball, Resident	Tim Cipolla, Resident
ABSENT:	Sandy Lawrence	Trustee

Mayor Hauser called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2026 ENTITLED: “AMENDING CHAPTER 490 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF PERRY TO ADD A TRAILSIDE CAMPING SPECIAL USE.”

At 7:30 pm, Mayor Hauser opened the public hearing on a proposed local law to add trailside camping. This is the second public hearing. Comments were received from the Wyoming County Planning Board and lead agency notices were sent out. Once 30 days pass and no comments are received in response to the lead agency notices, the Board can declare lead agency, issue a negative declaration, and prepare for adoption of the local law at the Board Meeting on 9/8/2026. The public hearing was left open to allow for comments and later closed at 7:51 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Ball, of 158 Water Street, presented a letter to the board stating his concerns with the drainage in front of his home which has caused flooding in the driveway and basement. He wishes for the issue to be addressed by adding a storm drain. Mayor Hauser recalls previous conversations with Mr. Ball and plans to involve Superintendent Deaton. Jeff Boorsma offered options the village could use to help locate any obstructions by using a sewer camera or jetter to clean out the line.

JEFF BOORSMA, MRB GROUP – WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT UPDATE

When Jeff Boorsma last addressed the Board, plans for Water Treatment Plant upgrades were being prepared for submission. Plans have since been submitted to the NYS DEC, Army Corps of Engineers, and the DEC. Army Corps requested additional information which is still under review. Comments were also received from the DEC which have been responded to. DEC review is still pending.

The original plans for the Water Treatment Plant were developed prior to the formal water withdrawal permitting process. During the application process, it was identified that the Village was required to obtain a water withdrawal application number, resulting in an unforeseen delay. MRB Group continues to perform QA/QC reviews to identify and address potential issues in advance, with the goal of minimizing future change orders and ensuring the project is ready to proceed to bid upon receipt of the necessary approvals.

MINUTES

Trustee Lapiana made a motion to approve the minutes for 7/20/2026 and 7/27/2026. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bouchard and carried with all voting aye.

RESOLUTION APPROVING PEDDLER AND SOLICITOR'S PERMIT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, per Village Law Section 327-4, no person shall sell at auction any goods or pursue or exercise the occupation of hawking or peddling in the Village of Perry without first procuring a license therefor from the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Jenifer Sanchez has submitted a Peddler and Solicitor's Permit Application to sell educational books, study guides, handbooks, leadership programs, and SAT/ACT prep on August 12, 2026; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Perry Board of Trustees hereby approves the permit application, pending payment of the permit fee, and authorizes the Village Clerk to provide the license to Ms. Jenifer Sanchez for August 12, 2026.

Motion was made by Trustee Lapiana approving the peddler and solicitor permit for Jennifer Sanchez which was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried with all voting aye.

RESOLUTION APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 4 FOR THE MUNICIPAL SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the Village of Perry has a municipal snow & ice agreement with New York State Department of Transportation, Contract No. D014890; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation has provided a supplemental agreement to adjust funding due to the severity of the winter during 2025/2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Perry Board hereby approves the Supplemental Agreement No. 4 with the New York State Department of Transportation for an increase in funding of \$2,151.03; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village of Perry Board authorizes the Mayor to execute the Supplemental Agreement No. 4 and all related documents.

This is the fourth amendment to the snow and ice agreement which is based on a calculation of snow events. Trustee Bouchard made a motion to adopt the resolution approving the municipal snow and ice agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation. Trustee Muolo seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

FOIL REQUEST APPEAL

A FOIL request appeal was received in response to a letter sent by Records Access Officer, Christina Slusser, citing 87(2)(e), which permits withholding records for law enforcement purposes. The Chief of Police and Judge advised that the records should not be released as the matter is pending and may remain so for up to a year. The issue was discussed with the Committee on Open Government, which determined that the correct law was cited. The Board is required to review and respond within 10 days, either upholding the decision or releasing the records.

Trustee Lapiana made a motion to deny the release of records due to the pending case. This motion was seconded by Trustee Muolo and carried unanimously.

CLERK/DEPUTY TREASURER REPORT

VILLAGE OF PERRY

Abstract # 005 Summary by Fund

08/07/2026
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Code	Fund	Prepays	Unpays	Totals
A	GENERAL FUND	2,821.71	69,999.75	72,821.46
CD	SPECIAL GRANT FUND		607.38	607.38
F	WATER FUND	67.47	7,928.36	7,995.83
G	SEWER FUND	2,859.99	28,693.49	31,553.48
JA	SILVER LAKE WATERSHED COMMISSI		51.33	51.33
TA	TRUST & AGENCY		4,004.53	4,004.53
Total:		5,749.17	111,284.84	117,034.01

Vouchers were audited by Trustee Lapiana. Trustee Muolo made a motion to approve payment of abstract #5, vouchers #297-415, for a total of \$117,034.01 which was seconded by Trustee Bouchard and carried with all voting aye.

Outstanding tax collections equal \$190,794.76 of the original warrant total of \$2,588,561.96.

COMMITTEE/TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustees Muolo and Lapiana had nothing to report due to the timing of committee meetings.

Trustee Bouchard reported on the Parks Committee meeting which discussed the beach washout, Rotary's consideration of support for projects, and boardwalk easements awaiting citizen approvals.

Silver Lake Trail

Mayor Hauser spoke on the Silver Lake Trail process as part of the DRI. There is an open house on Thursday from 5:00-6:30 pm at the Arts Council for Wyoming County. A proposal is being considered for a footbridge where the old trestle was. Funding is being sought to pay consultants to further develop the design and to help determine project costs to ensure it fits within the budget.

Assembly Hall

A meeting will be held soon on the Assembly Hall project to review floor plans and elevations to finalize the project scope. Proposed changes include windows, heating/cooling, plumbing, and bathrooms.

Streetscape

Streetscape designs on South Main Street are being developed by Colliers. The project has a \$350,000 budget to extend the streetscape character to Mill Street and possibly add sidewalks along Mill Street.

Small Project Fund

Several projects are moving forward. Once project is currently under construction with another out to bid. A couple experienced some minor issues. There are funds remaining after the first round of awards and projects that advanced to the second round are being revisited.

Private DRI

Construction is likely in 2027 for almost all of the privately owned projects selected for the DRI. The village awaits responses on the V-FIRE, LGRMIF records grant), and Open Space grant.

With no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Lapiana at 8:04 pm, seconded by Trustee Muolo, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Slusser, Village Clerk