

TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY

Town Board Meeting

May 27th, 2026

Town Hall

6 PM

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**Meeting called to Order**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

1. Presentation to Wendy Whetsel, Woman of Distinction Award
2. Community Reports
3. Legislative Reports
4. Supervisor's Comments
5. Districts:
  - a. Approve Applied Watershed Sciences, LLC Proposal for 2026 Lake Oscawana Management Services
  - b. Approve LPID Beach Monitors and LPID Lake Supervisor Appointments 2026
  - c. Approve Lookout Manor Appointment for 2026
  - d. Approve Lake Oscawana Supervisor Appointment 2026
  - e. Approve Roaring Brook Lake Superintendent 2026
  - f. Approve Lake Oscawana Harvester Operator 2026
  - g. Approve Tree Removal at Roaring Brook Lake
6. Highway: Approve Driveway Opening Permit Report
7. Planning: Review Enloe Street Project re Water/Sewer Capacity
8. Facilities:
  - a. Approve Putnam County Humane Society Shelter Contract
  - b. Approve SPCA Dog Control Officer Contract
9. Approve Storage Use of Old Dog Shelter Building
10. Parks & Recreation:
  - a. Discuss Recommendation from Parks & Recreation Commission regarding Extension of Lighting at Town Park
  - b. Approve Performance Agreement with Mark Saplicki for DJ Services at Community-Wide Picnic on June 13th
  - c. Approve May 2026 Refunds
  - d. Approve Additional May 2026 Refund
  - e. Approve Lifeguard Salaries for 2026 Season
11. Finance: Audit of Monthly Bills
12. Public Comment [Three-Minute Time Limit Per Person]



**Adjournment**

**Next Town Board Work Session: Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, 5 pm**

**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY  
TOWN BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, May 27th, 2026  
6:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Jolicoeur  
Councilman Brooks  
Councilman Russo  
Councilwoman Howard  
Councilman Luongo

**ALSO PRESENT:** Town Clerk Michelle Stephens  
Town Counsel David Daniels  
Town Counsel Lily Mead

Supervisor Jolicoeur opened the meeting at 6:05 pm with the Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in recognition of a devastating loss experienced by members of the Putnam Valley community. The Town extended its thoughts and prayers to the affected families and community members

**PRESENTATION TO WENDY WHETSEL, WOMAN OF DISTINCTION AWARD.**

The Town formally recognized Wendy Wessel for receiving the Women of Distinction Award within the 94th Assembly District.

A proclamation was read acknowledging Ms. Wessel's longstanding service to the Town of Putnam Valley, including:

- Service on the Putnam Valley Town Council for four consecutive terms over sixteen years.
- Advocacy for environmental preservation and conservation initiatives.
- Support for and revitalization of the Conservation Commission.
- Recruitment of commission members and service as liaison to the Town Board.
- Initiation of the Putnam Valley heating oil co-op program, which continues to assist residents with heating costs.
- Dedication to constituents and reputation for kindness, compassion, and public service.

The Town expressed its gratitude for Ms. Wessel's many contributions to the community and congratulated her on receiving the Women of Distinction Award.

An additional proclamation from the Putnam County Legislature was presented on behalf of Legislator Bill Gouldman.

#### **Remarks by Wendy Wessel**

Ms. Wessel thanked the Town and reflected on the importance of environmental stewardship, balance with nature, and community respect. She emphasized the need to live in harmony with the environment and spoke about the value of diversity, mutual respect, and understanding within society.

#### **COMMUNITY REPORTS**

Cole read the following report for the library.

May 27, 2026

Putnam Valley Library  
Director's Report  
Amina Chaudhri

My apologies for being unable to attend tonight, due to a scheduling conflict with our Mystery Book Club.

We are pleased to announce that our 2026 Putnam Valley Library Budget Vote passed successfully. Thank you so much for your ongoing support.

We are having our Spring Tag Sale on June 6th.

Our Youth Services Crew continues to move forward with some excellent programs including a variety of storytimes, including a new program - Tween Dungeons and Dragons PLUS our Summer Reading Kickoff which takes place on June 27th.

For adults we are offering REV250 programs, Yoga, Sound Bath, Knitting, Mahjong, Chess and many assorted book clubs. We have a special program on June 26th entitled Duty, Honor, Country in an American Family.

Some programs do require advanced registration, so please check our website or stop in.

We have our next Board of Trustees meeting on June 15th at 7:00 p.m. Attendance can be either in person or via Zoom. A reminder to the public that we are closed on June 19th.

Additionally, the Putnam Valley Library also offers a \*free\* dry goods pantry, wholesome frozen meals, Meals on Main Street truck visits, tech help, garden seeds, 3D Printing, computer, fax and printer usage, museum passes, EZ Pass Purchases, a wide variety of digital materials and our Library of Things!

Please learn more about us or our upcoming programs at [putnamvalleylibrary.org](http://putnamvalleylibrary.org)

Thank you for your time!

Cole also gave the following report for the Putnam Valley Volunteer Ambulance Corps Report

The Volunteer Ambulance Corps reported the following activity for April:

- 51 total calls responded to
  - o 32 medical calls
  - o 7 motor vehicle accidents
  - o 8 falls
  - o 4 mutual aid calls

Members contributed a total of 584 volunteer hours to staffing and operations.

### **EMS Recognition Awards**

Several members were recognized at the EMS Council Awards ceremony in Carmel, including awards for:

- Excellence in prehospital care
- Basic Life Support saves
- Multiple lifesaving recognitions

The Corps expressed pride in the dedication and professionalism of its volunteers.

Allison Hague presented the Conservation and Climate-Smart Communities Report

### **Community Day Waste Reduction**

Community Day was conducted as a near zero-waste event through the use of:

- Recycling stations
- Trash sorting stations
- Food scrap collection

### **Food Scrap Recycling**

Cucumber Hill Farm will begin collecting food scraps at the farmers market every Friday beginning this week for agricultural reuse.

### **Climate Smart Communities Task Force**

The task force continues work on an inventory of:

- Government building energy use
- Municipal fleet energy consumption

The collected data will be used to identify inefficiencies and opportunities for cost savings and reduced energy consumption.

Residents were invited to attend the next Climate Smart meeting on Wednesday, June 3, at Poncho's and Gringo's

**Linda Thornton gave the following report for the Tompkins Corners Cultural Center**

### **Farmers Market**

The seasonal farmers' market opens Friday from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will feature:

- Produce
- Meat and poultry
- Baked goods
- Flowers
- Crafts
- Live music

### **Upcoming Events**

- Stage readings of the play *Dirt* on June 5–7 at regional locations.
- Outdoor concert featuring the Long Town Boys on June 6.
- Dream Choir concert on June 12.
- Poets Corner Open Mic on June 14.
- True North Jazz Project performance on June 18.
- Artist reception for Chad Klemm on June 28.

### **July Preview Events**

- “Byron Time with Mark Van Aken” concert scheduled for July 10.
- “Tavern Night: Liberty 3” Revolutionary War-themed music and dance event scheduled for July 18.

Residents were encouraged to visit the organization's website and subscribe to newsletters for updates.

Frank DiMarco gave the following report

### Board Notes

#### Parks:

- **Forestry Project** –For those who don't know, we continue to work on a forestry Project for both the Town Park and the Camp facility. If everything goes right, the plan will start in the fall. Bids to go out in mid to late summer. As mentioned previously everything is done in cooperation with the DEC and their recommendations and should serve as a benefit to the town in several different ways including financially
- **Trail System and grant** –Still waiting on response, we should hopefully hear something in the next few days actually. Should we not get the grant, I will work on a smaller scale trail improvement project in the park that can hopefully be done in house.
- **Community Garden** – the community garden at the senior center has been completed. A special thanks to **2 local citizens** for their tremendous contributions. Also, to the Town Supervisor and Parks and Recreation crew for their assistance and continued maintenance on the garden throughout the summer
- The area currently known as “**the bike pad**” is slated to be repaved and painted in July. While it became an unintentional facility after removing the old hockey rink, it is highly used and in need of refurbishing.

### Departmental

**Programs** – we are still running a full slate of programs in addition to summer camp and sports camp preparation. Check PVPR.com and our social media pages for updates

Concerts will begin on July 2<sup>nd</sup> along with our Independence Day celebration. I put a few flyers out on the table here with the schedule for the summer and it can also be found on the PVPR website.

Camp prep is going well and we are looking forward to a great season all around

**Manpower Analysis by Incident**

Date Range: From 04/01/2026 to 04/30/2026

Putnam Valley Fire Department

| Incident Type                                      | Incident Count | Number Attended | Average Attended | Total Length (hrs) | Average Length (hrs) | Average Man Hours | Total Man Hours |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Other Outside Fire                                 | 1              | 23              | 23.00            | 0.22               | 0.22                 | 5.06              | 5.06            |
| Vehicle Fire - Passenger                           | 1              | 19              | 19.00            | 0.65               | 0.65                 | 12.35             | 12.35           |
| Gas Leak / Gas Odor                                | 1              | 16              | 16.00            | 0.30               | 0.30                 | 4.80              | 4.80            |
| Electrical Power Line Down / Arching / Malfunction | 2              | 32              | 16.00            | 4.47               | 2.23                 | 35.48             | 70.95           |
| Odor - GAS                                         | 1              | 18              | 18.00            | 0.45               | 0.45                 | 8.10              | 8.10            |
| Breathing Problems                                 | 1              | 14              | 14.00            | 0.30               | 0.30                 | 4.20              | 4.20            |
| Cardiac Arrest                                     | 1              | 12              | 12.00            | 0.13               | 0.13                 | 1.56              | 1.56            |
| Unknown Problem                                    | 1              | 18              | 18.00            | 0.20               | 0.20                 | 3.60              | 3.60            |
| Motor Vehicle Collision                            | 7              | 83              | 11.86            | 4.40               | 0.63                 | 7.78              | 54.44           |
| Controlled Burning (Authorized)                    | 1              | 21              | 21.00            | 0.15               | 0.15                 | 3.15              | 3.15            |
| No Incident Found Upon Arrival / Location Error    | 1              | 7               | 7.00             | 0.30               | 0.30                 | 2.10              | 2.10            |
| CO Alarm                                           | 3              | 40              | 13.33            | 1.38               | 0.46                 | 5.80              | 17.39           |
| Fire / Smoke Alarm                                 | 5              | 76              | 15.20            | 1.04               | 0.21                 | 3.11              | 15.53           |
| Lift Assist                                        | 2              | 29              | 14.50            | 0.65               | 0.33                 | 4.64              | 9.29            |
| Move-up / CO2                                      | 1              | 15              | 15.00            | 0.18               | 0.18                 | 2.70              | 2.70            |
| Blank, No Incident Type(s) Entered                 | 0              | 0               | 0.00             | 0.00               | 0.00                 | 0.00              | 0.00            |
| <b>Total and Averages for all Incident Types</b>   | <b>29</b>      | <b>423</b>      | <b>14.59</b>     | <b>14.82</b>       | <b>0.51</b>          | <b>7.42</b>       | <b>215.22</b>   |

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**Superintendent Shawn Keeler of the Highway Department gave the following report**

Good evening, ladies and Gentlemen

I'd like to take a moment to thank the men and women of the Highway Dept. for their continued hard work and dedication.

Cimarron Rd. is closed at the bridge. Barring any issues, we are trying to keep this closure as short as possible, 8 to 10 weeks at most I will do my best to keep everyone updated as the project moves along. I ask residents to drive slowly on Horton Hollow. Unregistered vehicles are not permitted to be parked on town roads. If they are, they will be tagged by the building dept and will be towed within 10 days.

Our tree crew took down several dead trees along roads.

Our Blacktop crew has been out patching roads where needed

We continue to repair dirt roads

We have been hammering and splitting ledge rock on Sprout Brook Road, widening the shoulders in several areas as well as creating a gutter to allow rainwater to flow towards basins

We did drainage repairs on North Shore Rd, where we replaced 40 ft of 18 in pipe, and Lovers Lane, where we replaced 40 ft of 18-inch, 120 ft of 15 inch 40 feet of 12-inch Our Basins repair crew has been repairing basins; they will be out daily as we have several in need of repair. They repaired 25 YTD

Vac-ALL crew has started cleaning basins in Lake Peekskill they have cleaned roughly 100 basins so far.

The phones at the highway are monitored 24 / 7, and I ask residents with issues to call us and not post on Facebook, as we don't troll for complaints. Several people have been

going back and forth about highway-related issues on social media instead of calling me.  
My phone is on 24 / 7 I will not answer people's questions on social media.  
I can always be reached in my Office 845-526-3333, on my cell 845-745-0795, and  
SKEELER@PUTNAMVALLEY.GOV  
211 Days till Christmas

**LEGISLATIVE REPORTS**

Bill Gouldman was unable to make it tonight and asked Councilman Russo to read his report.

### **Putnam Valley Town Board Meeting – 5/27/26**

Legislator Gouldman has a conflict tonight so he will not be able to be here, so he has asked me to give his report.

**\*\*If you have an old mattress or box spring that you no longer need, Putnam County is partnering with Casella Waste Management to help you dispose of it. On May 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am till 11:00am you can bring it to 526 Gage Road in Patterson. Up to 4 mattresses and/or boxsprings will be accepted.**

**\*\*Spring is here; it is a season of renewal and awaking. If you don't Compost, you should consider it. The Putnam County Health Department has a wonderful composter available for purchase. Go on the County Website for more information.**

**\*\*We have all seen garbage dumped on the side of the road. Please think twice before you throw garbage out of your car.**

We should all understand the total cost of littering.

- It pollutes the environment
- It affects and can kill wildlife
- It also affects the aesthetic look of our community.

Let's all work together for the betterment of our town and help keep our community a cleaner greener place to live.

We do live in a beautiful area. Let's keep it that way.

If you would like to put together a team to clean up an area, please reach out to Bill, he will supply everything you need to do

the job.

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**\*\*The Gas Tax Reduction Legislation that Legislator Gouldman proposed has been delayed. He is extremely unhappy about this. It is up for a vote next week at the Full Legislative meeting. He expects it to pass and to go into effect on September 1.**

**\*\*On June 14<sup>th</sup>, the Putnam County Youth Bureau will be hosting a Youth Business Market which will be held at Tilly Foster. If you know of a youth who has a great product to sell, sign them up. For more information, go to the county website.**

**\*\* He would like to thank the residents who have contacted him about issues they need help with.**

**\*\* He is interested in your concerns. His door is always open. If you see something or have a problem or an issue do not hesitate to call his office at 845-808-1020. He will do everything he can to help.**

 **SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS**

Thank you, everyone.

The Supervisor thanked all Town departments for their continued collaboration and teamwork. Biweekly interdepartmental meetings have been taking place regularly, with updates provided to the Board. Deputy Supervisor Sherry has also participated in these meetings, which have helped improve communication, coordination, and overall progress on Town matters.

**Memorial Day Ceremony**

The Supervisor expressed gratitude to everyone who participated in and attended the Town's Memorial Day ceremony held on Monday.

Special recognition was given to:









- The VFW Commander for delivering a meaningful address
- Mills Smogler, a 99-year-old veteran and survivor of Iwo Jima, for sharing his experiences

The ceremony was described as heartfelt and deeply moving, and appreciation was extended to all who helped make the event successful.

### Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant Award

The Supervisor announced that the Town was awarded a Hudson River Valley Greenway Grant to support updates to the Town's Comprehensive Plan. The Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor Sherry attended the Grants Committee meeting at the FDR Historic Site in Hyde Park, where remarks were delivered on behalf of the Town before the committee's final vote. The committee voted to approve the grant award.

The update to the Comprehensive Plan is expected to help address several regional and local priorities, including:



-   Watershed protection
-   Stormwater management
-   Infrastructure planning
-   Sustainable development

  **Future funding eligibility:** The Town anticipates forming a steering committee and engaging the public throughout the planning process to encourage community collaboration and participation.

The Town also acknowledged the support of the Hudson River Valley Greenway throughout the application process.

### **Community Events**




#### **Picnic in the Park**

 **Date:** June 13  
 **Time:** 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

The Town will host a community “Picnic in the Park” event featuring entertainment and karaoke provided by DJ Mark. Residents are encouraged to bring a picnic for their families and enjoy an afternoon of music, dancing, and community activities.

#### **Community Blood Drive**

A blood drive will be held due to ongoing blood shortages.

 **Date:** Thursday, June 4  
 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 7:45 PM  
 **Location:** Putnam Valley Fire Department

Residents are encouraged to participate and donate if able. 

**APPROVE APPLIED WATERSHED SCIENCES, LLC PROPOSAL FOR 2026 LAKE OSCAWANA MANAGEMENT SERVICES.**

Presented by Supervisor Jolicoeur

**RESOLUTION #R26-209**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorize the Supervisor to accept and sign the proposal from Applied Watershed Sciences, LLC for professional limnological and lake management consulting services for Lake Oscawana.

The proposal includes the following services and associated costs:

- Water quality monitoring - \$14,800
- Aquatic plant surveying - \$4,440
- Public presentation - \$2,660
- Cyanobacteria ID/count - \$1,800
- Zooplankton samples - \$1,200
- Nutrients - \$6,696
- Miscellaneous - \$720
- Sediment sampling - \$1,400
- Laboratory Sediment tests - \$3,000
- Consulting Services - \$2,720
- Data Analysis - \$7,100

The total cost of the proposal is \$46,536. The estimate has been reviewed and approved by LOMAC and is fully incorporated into the district's 2026 budget.

The full proposal is attached for your consideration.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

**APPROVE LPID BEACH MONITORS AND LPID LAKE SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENTS 2026**

Presented by Councilman Russo

**RESOLUTION #R26-210**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoint the following personnel as **LPID** Beach Monitors for the 2026 season. They will be paid at an hourly rate of \$17.00 with no benefits. This position will run from Memorial Day weekend (5/23) through Labor Day weekend (9/7).

- Joseph Aviles
- Marianne Forlano
- Susan Gaffney
- Brianna Gambichler
- Alyssa Gambichler
- Nick DiMichele

In addition, please appoint Joseph Aviles as the LPID Beach Supervisor for the 2026 season at a salary of \$1,600, with no benefits.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

**APPROVE LOOKOUT MANOR APPOINTMENTS FOR 2026**

Presented by Councilwoman Howard

**RESOLUTION #R26-211**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the appointment of Joseph Aviles as a laborer for Lookout Manor for the 2026 season. This position is as needed, at an hourly rate of \$20.00, with no benefits. The district will cover the cost.

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried

**APPROVE LAKE OSCAWANA SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENTS**

Presented by Councilman Brooks

**RESOLUTION #R26-212**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoint Mike Deprima as the Lake Oscawana Lake Supervisor for the 2026 season at a salary of \$2,000, with no benefits. The cost will be covered by the districts.

This appointment will run from May 23rd, 2026, to September 7th, 2026.

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

**APPROVE ROARING BROOK LAKE SUPERINTENDENT 2026**

Presented by Councilman Luongo

**RESOLUTION #R26-213**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoint Janet Eliopoulos in the capacity of the Roaring Brook Lake Superintendent for the 2026 season at a set salary of \$4,000.00, with no benefits. This position will run from mid-May through mid-September.

Seconded by Councilman Brooks, unanimously carried

**APPROVE LAKE OSCAWANA HARVESTER OPERATOR 2026**

Presented by Councilwoman Howard

**RESOLUTION R26-214**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board appoint Dave Lussier at an hourly rate of \$24, with no benefits, as a Harvester Operator in Lake Oscawana for the 2026 season (May-October). He will work on an as-needed basis. The cost will be paid for by the district.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

**APPROVE TREE REMOVAL IN ROARING BROOK LAKE**

Presented by Councilman Russo

**RESOLUTION #R26-215**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the removal of six dead trees located on district property, tax map 41.6-1-19. These trees have been identified by the arborist

Stephen Knapp as dead and posing a significant risk of falling onto the neighboring property. They are considered a hazard, and the situation has become urgent. In addition, there are dead trees surrounding the dam valve that also require removal. Robert Lussier has agreed to complete the necessary work at a cost not to exceed \$4,000. While this expense was not budgeted for, it is necessary. The funds for the project will come from the District Fund.

Seconded by Councilwoman Howard, unanimously carried

**APPROVE DRIVEWAY OPENING PERMIT/REPORT**

Presented by Councilman Russo

**RESOLUTION #R26-216**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the Driveway Opening Permit Report

For the month of April, the following application(s) were filed for driveway opening permits.

| <u>PERMIT #</u> | <u>NAME &amp; LOCATION</u>          | <u>DATE</u> | <u>FEE</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| 2026-01         | David Mascia<br>South Highland Road | 04/06/2026  | \$200.00   |

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

**REVIEW ENLOE STREET PROJECT RE WATER/SEWER CAPACITY**

 **Discussion Regarding Proposed Mixed-Use Development on Enloe Street**


  **Presentation by Frank Smith, Attorney**

Attorney Frank Smith, from the Law Office of Shilling & Smith in Carmel, appeared before the Town Board on behalf of applicant Tom Citello regarding a proposed mixed-use development project located on Enloe Street.

### **Property Information**

- Tax Map #: 91.27-1-16
- Size: Approximately 0.56 acres
- Zoning District: CC-1 Commercial
- Current Status: Unimproved parcel

The applicant is currently before the Planning Board seeking site plan approval for a mixed-use building consisting of:

-  Commercial space on the first floor
-  Residential apartments on the second floor

The proposed structure complies with zoning requirements and does not require zoning variances.

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### **Water & Sewer Capacity Discussion**



The primary purpose of the discussion was to address sewer and water capacity allocations for the proposed development.

Because the future commercial tenant has not yet been determined, projected sewer usage varies depending on the type of business ultimately occupying the commercial space.

### **Estimated Sewer Usage**

#### **Residential Component**

The proposal includes:

-  Two 2-bedroom apartments
-  Two 1-bedroom apartments




Estimated residential usage:

-  660 gallons per day total



#### **Commercial Component**

Potential commercial uses produce varying wastewater demands under New York State design standards.

Examples discussed included:

-  Coffee shop/restaurant
-  Medical or dental offices
-  Storage or retail uses

Estimated usage range:

-  Low estimate: 2,710 gallons/day
-  High estimate: 4,160 gallons/day

The highest projected usage would result from medical or dental office uses.

Attorney Smith explained that the figures were derived from:




 New York State Design Standards for Intermediate-Size Wastewater Treatment Systems

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### **Board Discussion & Concerns**

Town Board members expressed support for mixed-use development and additional housing opportunities within the community.

### **Positive Feedback**

-  Additional apartments are needed in Town
-  Mixed-use development could benefit economic growth
-  Vacant commercial properties remain a concern

However, the Board also discussed concerns regarding:

-  Sewer treatment capacity limitations
  -  Long-term allocation of available capacity
  -  Future development opportunities for neighboring parcels
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### **Current Sewer Capacity**

Discussion included current wastewater system figures:

-  Current estimated usage: approximately 48,000 gallons/day
-  Total system capacity: approximately 60,000 gallons/day

Board members questioned:

- Whether current numbers represent actual metered use
- Whether capacity is reserved based on maximum approved usage
- How unused but previously allocated capacity is handled

Examples involving existing commercial properties and restaurants were discussed to better understand how allocations are historically managed.

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### Key Questions Raised

The Board discussed several unresolved questions, including:

#### Should capacity be allocated based on:

- Actual metered usage?
- OR
- Maximum potential approved use?

#### Can previously allocated but unused capacity be reclaimed?

#### Would granting higher allocations now limit future projects?

#### How should the Town handle flexible commercial uses when a future tenant is unknown?

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Attorney Smith stated that the applicant:

- Is not seeking special treatment
- Wants to work collaboratively with the Town
- Is willing to provide additional engineering documentation and supporting calculations

The applicant also acknowledged that:

- Final commercial use may need to be more specifically defined during the Planning Board process
- Future amendments may be required depending on eventual tenants




### **Next Steps**

Town officials agreed that:

- Additional engineering review is needed
- Sewer allocation methodology should be clarified
- Further discussions with engineers and consultants are necessary

 **No formal action was taken by the Town Board during this discussion.**

Attorney Smith indicated he would:

-  Provide supporting documentation
-  Submit additional wastewater calculation information
-  Continue discussions with the Planning Board and Town consultants

The matter remains under review.

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May 13, 2026

**BY ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Putnam Valley Town Clerk  
Attn: Hon. Michelle Stephens  
265 Oscawana Lake Road  
Putnam Valley, NY 10579

RE: Enloe Street Project  
Town Board – Water/Sewer Capacity

Dear Ms. Stephens,

Pursuant to a request of the Putnam Valley Planning Board, please allow this correspondence to respectfully request that the Enloe Street Project be placed on the Town Board's May 27<sup>th</sup> agenda to discuss water and sewer capacity.

Should the Board have any questions prior to the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at (845) 225-7500 or by email at frank@shillinglegal.com.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank J. Smith III, Esq.

**APPROVE PUTNAM COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY SHELTER CONTRACT**

Presented by Supervisor Jolicoeur

**RESOLUTION #R26-217**

**RESOLVED** that the Putnam Valley Town Board approve the Town Supervisor to sign a 7-month contract with the Putnam County Humane Society for Dog shelter housing, caretaking, and other various services. Cost would be \$13,487.83.

This Contract would replace the contract with the SPCA for Dog Shelter services and eliminate the use of the Putnam Valley Dog Shelter due to the NYS Department of Agriculture's new strict regulations for animal shelters referred to as "Article 26-C" and "Article 7" from the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY AND  
THE PUTNAM COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY FOR THE PROVISION  
OF DOG SHELTER SERVICES.  
June 1, 2026-December 31, 2026

AGREEMENT made and entered into this **1st** day of **June 2026** by and between the TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY, a municipal corporation of the State of New York, having its principal office and place of business at 265 Oscawana Lake Road, Putnam Valley, New York, 10579 and the PUTNAM COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY, a New York not-for-profit corporation, located at 68 Old Rte. 6 Carmel, N.Y. 10512. Mailing address P.O. Box 297, Carmel, New York 10512.

WITNESSETH

IN CONSIDERATION OF the mutual promises, covenants and conditions contained herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. This agreement is for a term of **seven months** commencing on **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**, and terminating on **December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**. Said commencement is subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 below.
2. The Society shall provide dog shelter services in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article 7 of the Agriculture and markets law of the State of New York. It is expressly understood that the Town will provide its own Dog Control Officer and be responsible for such services and matters related thereto.
3. In consideration of the foregoing, the Town agrees to pay to the Society the sum of **\$13,487.83**
4. The foregoing consideration shall be made as a single payment on June 1, 2026, at the time the contract is signed.
5. The Society shall be open to the public from 10:00 AM until 4:30 PM, seven (7) days a week. The Town's Dog Control Officer shall have access to the facility 24 hours per day, seven days per week. We currently remain open to the public on all Holidays. The office may be closed, but the facility is open to the public.
6. The public may bring dogs to the Shelter by appointment during the hours that the shelter is open. The society shall require such pets are spayed/neutered, vaccinated and tested negative for heartworm disease. If not, they will ask the owner to donate towards having these services done if they are able.
7. Subject to limitations of capacity, the Society will accept privately owned dogs from the Town residents provided they are "adoptable". "Adoptable" means the dogs are not aggressive, do not bite and are not of poor health or old age. PHS does make exceptions for older dogs and dogs with health issues. We also have a fund to help residents who may not be able to afford to care needed to help their dog but would otherwise want to keep their dog. We have helped many residents with this fund.
8. The Society will not assume any liability; responsibility or costs associated with the Town providing its own Dog Control Officer services. This includes such services in connection with dogs that require emergency medical attention prior to

- being brought to the Society. The Town will provide the Society the name of its Dog Control Officer and a means by which to contact said Dog Control Officer.
9. This Agreement is and shall be for shelter services. Unclaimed dogs shall be fully vetted to prepare them for adoption, including ongoing medical care needed while at the shelter. All dogs are assessed by the trainer prior to adoption. The parties agree to comply with all of the provisions of the law of the state of New York applicable to this Agreement and the subject matter thereof.
  10. Neither party may assign or transfer this Agreement or any rights hereunder without the prior express written consent of the other party.
  11. In the event of any breach of this Agreement or any default hereunder on the part of the either party, then the other party, at its sole option, shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice, sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the defaulting party. In such event, an amount equal to the unused portion of the single payment provided for in paragraph 3 above shall be refunded to the Town.
  12. The Society makes no representation that this Agreement fulfills the obligations of the Town under the Agriculture and Market Law, except that the Society is a duly incorporated humane society authorized to provide shelter services in accordance with Section 115 of the New York Agriculture and Markets Law.
  13. All representations made by the Society to the Town are contained in this Agreement and any representations made outside of this Agreement, whether written, verbal or otherwise, are deemed merged into and superseded by this Agreement. All dog seizures and related fees will be sent to the town by the 7 day of each month.
  14. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and any amendments thereto or modifications thereof shall be in writing signed by both parties. Subject to the provisions of paragraphs 11, this Agreement shall enure to and be binding upon the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties hereto. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. In the event any part of this Agreement be held invalid or unenforceable by any Court, the remaining parts of this Agreement shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day, and year first above written.

Town of Putnam Valley

Putnam Humane Society

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Alison Jolicouer  
Supervisor Town of Putnam Valley

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Michele Dugan  
PHS President and Shelter Director

**APPROVE SPCA DOG CONTROL OFFICER CONTRACT**

Presented by Councilwoman Howard

**RESOLUTION #R26-218**

**RESOLVED**, that the Putnam Valley Town Board approve the Town Supervisor to sign a 1-year Contract with the Putnam County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Inc. (SPCA) for dog Control Officer services, including the capture

of dogs found running at large in the Town of Putnam Valley. These dogs will be directly transported to The Putnam County Humane Society, Carmel, NY.

Annual cost is \$23,000.00 /year, which is an increase of \$3,000.00/yr. This will be paid in equal monthly installments of \$1,916.67.

This contract would replace and render the previous contract as well as eliminate the use of the Putnam Valley Dog Shelter due to the NYS Department of Agriculture's new strict regulations for animal shelters referred to as "Article 26-C" and "Article 7" from the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law.

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried

**DOG CONTROL OFFICER SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE  
TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY, NY**

This contract, is made by and between the Town of Putnam Valley, NY a municipal corporation hereinafter referred to as the "Town", and the Putnam County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Inc., a non-profit corporation hereinafter referred to as the "Society".

The "SOCIETY" agrees to undertake the role of Dog Control Officer/Warden for the "TOWN". The "SOCIETY" will provide a trained Dog Control Officer/Warden as its employee. The "SOCIETY" will also provide trained "back-up" for the position of Dog Control Officer/Warden at no additional cost to the "TOWN".

1. The Society will, through duly appointed and legally qualified agents and officers, enforce all animal regulation laws of the Town of Putnam Valley Code and the NYS Agriculture and Markets Law and will capture/seize and impound dogs found running at large in the Town of Putnam Valley, NY and transport them to the Putnam Humane Society (Putnam Valley's Contract Shelter). The SOCIETY will enforce violations of ordinances relating to stray dogs, to the licensing of dogs, to the restraint of dogs, complaints of barking, dangerous dog complaints and biting.
2. The Society will cooperate with the Health Department by following procedures required by the ordinance concerning persons or dogs bitten by a dog in the Town of Putnam Valley.
3. The Society will investigate all reports of violations of Town ordinances relating to dog control and regulation and, when warranted by the facts, shall cause to be prosecuted all persons charged with violation of said ordinances.
4. The Society shall employ individuals to enforce the provisions of, and to perform as dog control officers/wardens. The Society shall be responsible for all continuing education training of Dog Control Officers/Wardens to assure their continued compliance with State educational and training requirements.
5. The Dog Control Officer/Warden shall be on call 24 hours/7 days per week.
6. The Society shall provide a cell phone for the Dog Control Officer/Warden to use in the performance of their duties and as a means to contact during all hours.
7. The Society shall provide a vehicle, insurance, maintenance and fuel for use of Dog Control/Warden included in the below Annual Proposed Price.

This Contract obligates the Society to provide the same services currently handled by the Dog Control Officer/Warden employed by the Town of Putnam Valley, but in a 24/7/365 day basis. Costs associated with the Society's employee such as Workman's Compensation, Liability Insurance, payroll costs, backup coverage, additional training, equipment, etc. will all be borne by the Society.

Authority/Liability/Insurance

- (1) Society is hereby designated as the Town's "Dog Control Officer" for purposes of Chapter 51 of the Putnam Valley Town Code, and shall have and exercise all of the authority conferred thereby.
- (2) Society shall hold Town harmless from, and indemnified against, any and all liability arising out of its exercise of the authority and discharge of the responsibility assumed by it pursuant to this contract.
- (3) Society shall maintain a liability insurance policy in the face amount of at least \$ one million dollars, and will cause Town to be named as an "additional insured" under said policy.

Term

This contract shall be for a term of one (1) year(s), commencing ~~April~~ <sup>June</sup> 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026.

This contract shall replace and render the two (2) current contracts between the Town of Putnam Valley and the Putnam County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Inc. dated January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 cancelled by mutual agreement.

Compensation

Town will pay Society the annual sum of \$23,000 for the services to be rendered hereunder, in equal monthly installments of \$1916.67 on or before the first of each month commencing April 1, 2026 and terminating December 31, 2026.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

Town of Putnam Valley

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Putnam Valley Supervisor

Dated: 3/20/2026, 2026

Putnam County SPCA

By:   
Kenneth Ross, Pres.

**APPROVE STORAGE USE OF OLD DOG SHELTER BUILDING**

Presented by Supervisor Jolicoeur

**RESOLUTION #R26-219**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the use by the Building Department of the space previously used as a dog shelter facility for storage purposes.

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

RICHARD QUAGLIETTA  
Code Enforcement Officer

PATRICIA A. SMITH  
Zoning Inspector

DOREEN C. PIACENTE  
Sr. Clerk to the Building Dept

Stephanie Conte  
Clerk to the Building Dept.



**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY  
BUILDING & ZONING DEPARTMENT**

TOWN HALL

265 Oscawana Lake Road  
Putnam Valley, New York  
10579

Tel: 845 526-2377  
Fax: 845 526-8806

May 18, 2026

Memorandum to: Supervisor and Town Board Members

 From: Richard Quaglietta, Code Enforcement Officer

RE: Dog Shelter Building

There has been discussion for the last few months with the Supervisor for the Building Department to occupy the previous dog shelter building. As you may know, the building department is packed with all the files returning, etc. which it is a fire hazard and most likely a violation of the NYS Fire Code.

The building department is requesting when the previous dog shelter building will be ready for us to occupy



**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

RE: dog shelter vacancy

To Putnam Valley Town Board,

**Be it resolved**, that the Town of Putnam Valley Parks and Recreation Commission formally requests consideration for the use and occupancy of the structure currently being vacated by the dog shelter, in response to the continued growth of the Parks and Recreation Department and the resulting space limitations within its current facilities.

The Commission further believes that, due to the building's close proximity to the existing Parks and Recreation office, utilizing this structure would provide a practical and cost-effective solution to accommodate departmental expansion, as opposed to pursuing new construction or alternative facilities.

Sam Oliverio

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Oliverio".

Acting Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman

Town of Putnam Valley



## **Discussion Regarding Former Dog Shelter Building Use**

### **Temporary Use of Former Dog Shelter for Building Department Storage**

The Town Board discussed the temporary use of the former dog shelter building to assist the Building Department with storage needs related to ongoing records management and digitization efforts.

### **Building Department Records Project**

The Building Department has been undergoing an extensive records verification and digitization process involving approximately:

-  500,000–600,000 pages of documents

The paper files were digitized and have since been returned to Town Hall in boxed form for verification. Staff are now manually reviewing the files to ensure that all scanned records are accurate and complete.

Because the original files have returned to Town Hall:





-  Significant storage space is now required
-  Office areas have become overcrowded
-  Concerns have been raised regarding workplace safety and fire hazards

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### Safety & Space Concerns

Town officials discussed the current conditions within the Building Department offices.

Concerns included:

-  Potential fire hazards
-  Excessive file storage in office areas
-  Overcrowded working conditions
-  Limited available office space in Town Hall

The Supervisor noted:

- Four employees currently work within the Supervisor's office area
- Five employees work within the Building Department office

It was stated that the current conditions are:

-  Not an ideal work environment
-  Potentially in violation of New York State workplace and fire safety standards

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### Former Dog Shelter Proposal

A resolution was introduced to approve the temporary use of the former dog shelter building for Building Department storage purposes.

The use would:

-  Store returned records and file boxes
-  Help alleviate overcrowding within Town Hall
-  Improve workplace safety conditions



Officials emphasized that:

-  The arrangement is intended to be temporary
  -  Some work may still need to be completed inside the building before full use
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### Parks & Recreation Request

Parks & Recreation also expressed interest in utilizing part of the former dog shelter space for temporary storage.

The Supervisor stated that:

-  Parks & Recreation already has access to additional storage locations
-  Department heads would work together to coordinate any available shared space if possible

Examples of existing Parks & Recreation storage locations mentioned included:



-  The Town Park
  -  Town Camp facilities
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### Long-Term File Management Discussion



Board members also discussed the long-term future of the returned paper records.

Topics included:

-  Possibly returning original files to property owners
-  Renting off-site storage if necessary

-  Potential future shredding or disposal after verification
-  Continuing digital modernization efforts

The Supervisor also noted that:

-  A grant application has been submitted to digitize Planning Department files as well
  -  Similar file verification work may continue in the future
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### Board Action

A motion was made to:

- Approve temporary use of the former dog shelter building to the Building Department for storage purposes

 Motion approved unanimously.




The Board agreed the matter can:

-  Be revisited in the future
  -  Return to the agenda for further review if necessary
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### Closing Comments

Town officials emphasized the importance of improving efficiency within the Building Department and supporting staff during the ongoing records modernization process.

The Supervisor stated that:

-  Residents frequently request faster and more efficient Building Department services
-  These temporary measures are intended to support long-term operational improvements
-  Once the records project is completed, overall efficiency is expected to improve significantly

**DISCUSS RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION  
REGARDING EXTENSION OF LIGHTING AT TOWN PARK**



**TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY**  
**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

RE: facility usage and fees

To Putnam Valley Town Board,

Having been posed regarding current policies, procedure and fees related to park lighting.

***Be it resolved***, that the Town of Putnam Valley Parks and Recreation Commission hereby supports the continuation of all current policies, procedures, and fee schedules governing the use of Town recreational facilities, with no changes recommended at this time.

Sam Oliverio

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Acting Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman

Town of Putnam Valley

## Parks & Recreation Commission Discussion Summary

### Main Resolution

The commission discussed maintaining all current policies, procedures, and fee schedules for recreational facility use.

#### **Proposed Resolution:**

- Continue all existing policies and fee structures
- No recommended changes at this time

### Topic: Keeping Park Lights on for Public Use

A resident requested that park/court lights remain on longer so people could casually use facilities like:

-  Pickleball courts
-  Tennis courts
-  Basketball courts





The request was mainly for evening recreational play without the need for reservations.

### Concerns Raised by Staff

Frank DiMarco explained several operational and financial concerns:

#### Rising Electricity Costs

Sports lighting expenses have steadily increased:

-  2023: about **\$12,000**
-  2024: about **\$14,000**
-  Last year: about **\$17,000**
-  Expected to continue increasing

Additional costs include:

-  Lighting control/service systems

- 💰 Annual service fees ranging from \$600–\$1,000+

Currently:

- Facilities must generally be **reserved**
- Users pay small lighting fees when reserving courts/fields
- Organized leagues already contribute toward lighting costs 🏀🏈

Example:

- A reservation may cost:
  - o 📅 \$50 base fee
  - o 💡 +\$20 for lights after dark

### ? Main Argument Against Free Open Lighting

Officials stated:

If lights are turned on freely for one group, it becomes difficult to deny the same access to everyone else.

Concerns included:

- ⚡ Increased utility expenses
- 📉 Loss of reservation revenue
- 📄 Potential taxpayer burden
- ⚠️ Scheduling conflicts with paying renters

One official emphasized that the original recreation project promised:

- 🚫 No extra burden on taxpayers
- 💰 Facilities would support themselves financially

### 👥 Public Perspective

Some residents argued:

- 🏠 Taxpayers already fund parks

- 🌙 Evening recreation is valuable for the community
- 👤👤👤 Casual play helps residents stay active and social

Others countered:

- 📅 Organized leagues already pay for lighting
- 🎯 Recreational lighting is a “nice-to-have,” not essential

### 🗨️ Discussion About Upgrading Lights

The commission discussed possibly switching to newer LED systems in the future.

However:

- 💰 Estimated upgrade costs could reach **\$400,000–\$600,000**
- The existing lighting system was already an earlier “green” upgrade
- Turning systems on also carries startup/service costs

Still, members agreed:

- ✓ It may be worth exploring in the future
- ✓ More efficient technology could reduce long-term costs

### 📌 Outcome

No formal motion was made.

The discussion ended with an acknowledgment that:

- The request is reasonable 👍
- But the financial and operational realities make it complicated ⚖️

**The matter remained discussion-only at this time.**

**PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH MARK SAPLICKI FOR DJ SERVICES AT  
COMMUNITY-WIDE PICNIC ON JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>.**

Presented by Supervisor Jolicoeur

**RESOLUTION #R26-220**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorize the Town Supervisor, Alison Jolicoeur, to enter into a Performance Agreement with Mark Saplicki, a/k/a DJ Mark, whose business is referred to as Class Affair Inc. for disc jockey and karaoke services for the town-wide community picnic that is taking place on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. in the Town Park at a cost of \$400.00, which will be deducted from the Parks & Recreation contractual line in the budget.

Seconded by Councilman Brooks, unanimously carried

Supervisor Jolicoeur noted a mistake in the memo. It should read Saturday, June 13th, 2026, NOT May 13th

**Class Affair Inc.**  
*DJ Mark 'the crowd pleaser'*  
**Disc Jockey/Master of Ceremonies/Karaoke**  
2914 Morgan Ave #1, Bronx, NY 10469-5508 Phone: 646-209-2517  
email: djmark@classaffair.com

**CLASS AFFAIR INC. PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT**

|                                                          |                                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>DATE</b> May 10, 2026                                 |                                     |
| <b>CLIENT</b> Town of Putnam Valley c/o Alison Jolicoeur |                                     |
| <b>ADDRESS</b> ajolicoeur@putnamvalley.gov               |                                     |
| <b>TELEPHONE HOME</b>                                    | <b>BUSINESS</b> CELL (914) 406-3767 |
| <b>REFERRED BY</b> Panchos & Gringos                     |                                     |

|                                        |                                                 |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <b>TYPE OF AFFAIR</b> Town Picnic      | <b>SURPRISE?</b> NO                             |
| <b>DATE</b> Saturday June 13, 2026     | <b>START TIME</b> 2:00PM <b>END TIME</b> 5:00PM |
| <b>HELD AT</b> Putnam Valley Town Park | <b>PHONE</b> 845-526-3292                       |
| <b>ADDRESS</b> 156 Oscawana Lake Road  | <b>CONTACT</b> above                            |

|                                             |                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>TIME GUESTS ARRIVE</b>                   | <b>CONTRACT PRICE</b> \$400 Special                                         |
| <b>COCKTAILS</b> N/A <b>DINNER</b> Pot Luck | <b>DEPOSIT REQUIRED</b> N/A                                                 |
| <b>#GUESTS ?</b> <b>AGES</b> Varied         | <b>BAL DUE AT PARTY</b> \$400<br><i>(check payable to Class Affair Inc)</i> |
| <b>EMCEE?</b> As required                   | <b>OVERTIME RATE/HOUR</b> N/A                                               |
| <b>TOTAL PERFORMANCE HOURS</b> 3.0          |                                                                             |

**TYPES OF MUSIC REQUESTED**  
Variety per request. DJ will solicit music requests during the picnic. DJ will have selections of country line dancing available, but cannot lead them.

**OTHER DETAILS, REQUIREMENTS OR COMMENTS**  
Special rate extended to customer of Panchos & Gringos.  
Event held at the Pavilion in the park and will be held rain or shine.

**PERFORMANCE**  
Class Affair Inc. cannot be held liable for inability to perform due to circumstances beyond its control. The client will indemnify, defend and hold harmless from any and all claims, demands, losses, suits, proceedings, penalties, expenses, or other liabilities, including attorney fees and court costs, arising out of or resulting from the performance of this contract. The liability of the DJ will not exceed the total cost of the services to be provided under this contract. The cover letter contains details which are a part of this agreement

**CLIENTS ACCEPTANCE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
Printed Name

**APPROVE MAY 2026 REFUNDS**

Presented by Councilman Luongo

**RESOLUTION #R26-221**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the May 2026 refunds from Parks & Recreation.

Brandon Neville

\$575.00

110 Lake Drive, Apt. A2

LPCC

Lake Peekskill, NY 10537 Deposit fee refund/partial rental fee refund for cleaning the mess

Maria Caseres \$500.00

55 Circle Road LPCC

Lake Peekskill, NY 10537 Deposit

refund

|                                                                 |                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nelly Bermeo<br>52 Morrissey Drive<br>Lake Peekskill, NY 10537  | \$500.00<br>LPCC<br>Deposit refund                                |
| Karla Zepeda<br>139 Hewitt Street<br>Lake Peekskill, NY 10537   | \$500.00<br>LPCC<br>Deposit refund                                |
| Adelaine Polisenia<br>11 Cindy Lane<br>Putnam Valley, NY 10579  | \$700.00<br>LPCC<br>Deposit and rental fee refund/cancelled       |
| Evan Kneuer<br>30 Saw Mill Road<br>Putnam Valley, NY 10579      | \$775.00<br>Programs/Sports<br>Dropped team out of men's softball |
| Dmitriy Prokofyev<br>48 Ridge Avenue<br>Putnam Valley, NY 10579 | \$1,675.00<br>Day Camp<br>No longer wants day camp for 1 child    |
| Carolina Layton<br>96 Lake Drive<br>Lake Peekskill, NY 10537    | \$500.00<br>LPCC<br>Deposit refund                                |
| Matias Morales<br>30 Maple Road<br>Lake Peekskill, NY 10537     | \$500.00<br>LPCC<br>Deposit refund                                |
| Carolyn Borgatti<br>61 Spruce Knolls<br>Putnam Valley, NY 10579 | \$245.00<br>Day Camp<br>Refund for dropping 1 week of camp        |
| Olivia Downes<br>41 Quincy Road<br>Putnam Valley, NY 10579      | \$185.00<br>Lifeguard Training<br>Refund overpaid for course      |
| Jeremy Whalen<br>30 Fox Hill Road<br>Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567  | \$500.00<br>LPCC<br>Deposit refund                                |

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

**APPROVE ADDITIONAL MAY 2026 REFUND**

Presented by Councilman Luongo

**RESOLUTION #R26-222**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the Additional May 2026 refunds from Parks & Recreation.

Corrine Lewis  
34 Sunnyside Place  
Lake Peekskill, NY 10537

\$520.00  
Lifeguard Training  
Refund -did not take the course

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried

**APPROVE LIFEGUARD SALARIES FOR 2026 SEASON**

Presented by Councilman Luongo

**RESOLUTION #R26-223**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approved the request for approval of the 2026 Lifeguard pay scale.

The following is a list of potential lifeguards for the 2026 season. Lifeguards will be selected pending verification of required certifications and availability.

Per-hour salary based on the number of seasons employed as a lifeguard. Starting 2026 salary is \$17.00 hr. with Jr. Guards at \$16.00 hr.

- |                    |              |        |
|--------------------|--------------|--------|
| 1. Raphael Antunez | @\$17.00 hr. |        |
| 2. David Berdecia  | @\$17.00 hr. |        |
| 3. Dakota Bourgie  | @\$17.25 hr. |        |
| 4. Hunter Bourgie  | @\$16.00 hr. | Jr. lg |
| 5. Jaxson Bowe     | @\$16.00 hr. | Jr. lg |

6. Catie Caputo @\$17.00 hr.
7. Maggie Caputo @\$17.50 hr.
8. James Carlsen @\$17.75 hr.
9. Mikayla Carravone @\$17.25 hr.
10. Emily Cleary @\$17.00 hr.
11. Gabriella Coletti @\$16.00 hr. Jr. lg
12. Isabella Coletti @\$17.25 hr.
13. Ashmin Contractor @\$17.25 hr.
14. Matthew Curran @\$16.00 hr. Jr, lg
15. Justin Dejesus @\$17.00 hr.
16. Grayden Demaio @\$17.25 hr.
17. Kieran Deprima @\$17.00 hr.
18. John Dimichele @\$16.00 hr. Jr. lg
19. Julia Dimichele @ \$17.25 hr.
20. Olivia Downes @\$17.50 hr.
21. Alec Dreessen @ \$17.50 hr.
22. Zachary Gabriel @\$17.25 hr.
23. Theodore Gannon @\$17.75 hr.
24. Gavin Garibaldi @\$17.00 hr.
25. CJ Gesue @\$17.00 hr.
26. Aiden Gibbs @\$17.00 hr.
27. Ava Harman @ \$17.50 hr.
28. Leah Harman @\$17.50 hr.
29. Ella Hatfield @\$17.00 hr.
30. Sofia Hatfield @\$17.25 hr.
31. Reece Horan @\$17.00 hr.
32. Elisabeth Knuth @\$17.00 hr.
33. Thomas Kuney @ \$17.50 hr.
34. Cassidy Lewis @\$17.00 hr.
35. Chloe Moore @ \$17.50 hr.
36. Jacqueline Moore @\$17.00 hr.
37. Will Moore @ \$17.50 hr.
38. Kate Mulqueen @ \$17.25 hr.
39. Amanda Orlando @\$19.50 hr. wkd sub
40. Jakob Platt @\$17.00 hr.
41. Noah Ramos @\$16.00 hr. Jr. lg
42. Gabriella Randazzo @\$18.00 hr.
43. Nicholas Randazzo @\$16.00 hr. Jr. lg
44. Sophia Randazzo @\$17.50 hr.
45. Aleks Rexhepi @\$17.00 hr.
46. Serena Rexhepi @\$17.25 hr.
47. Kaleigh Rund @\$17.00 hr.

- 48. James Russo @\$19.25 hr.
- 49. Olivier Rzezwicki @\$16.00 hr. Jr. lg
- 50. Isabelle Salisbury @\$17.25 hr.
- 51. Fabian Sanchez @\$17.00 hr.
- 52. Giovanni Scuderi @\$17.00 hr.
- 53. Saxon Sohaili @\$17.25 hr.
- 54. John Speidell @\$16.00 hr. Jr. lg
- 55. Hudson Sperrazza @\$18.25 hr. wkd sub
- 56. Emma Stewart @\$17.50 hr.
- 57. Ethan Teshar @\$17.00. hr.
- 58. Jaden Teshar @\$17.75 hr.
- 59. Evan Vasile @\$17.50 hr. wkd sub

**Day Camp Lifeguards:**

- 1. Victoria Deluca @ \$22.50 hr. Water Safety Instructor/Lifeguard  
Mgmt.
- 2. Amanda Orlando @ \$21.75 hr.
- 3. Hudson Sperrazza @ \$20.00 hr.
- 4. Evan Vasile @ \$18.00 hr.
- 5. James Russo @ \$19.25 hr. camp sub

Seconded by Councilman Russo, unanimously carried.

**AUDIT OF THE MONTHLY BILL**

Presented by Councilman Russo

**RESOLUTION #R26-224**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board approve the following bills, after audit, being paid:

| <b>VOUCHER NUMBER</b> | <b>AMOUNTS</b> |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| 54936-55062           | \$70,889.36    |
| 54735-55039           | \$172,058.38   |
| 54741-55059           | \$394,245.27   |

Seconded by Councilwoman Howard, unanimously carried

### **Public Comment Summary**

### **Memorial Day Appreciation**

A resident, Mike, thanked the town and local leadership for organizing Memorial Day events and honoring veterans. 🇺🇸

He spoke about:

- 🇫🇷 Respect for those who served overseas
- 🙏 The importance of compassion, understanding, and civic responsibility
- 📖 A philosophical quote from Marcus Aurelius emphasizing living honorably and thoughtfully

He stated that:

“You can’t legislate understanding. You can only be an example.”

He praised town leadership for setting a positive example for the community. 🙌

### **Discussion: Invasive “Tree of Heaven.”**

Mike then raised concerns about the invasive species known as:

- 🌱 **Tree of Heaven**
- 🦋 Closely associated with the **Spotted Lanternfly**

He explained:

- The species spreads aggressively
- It overtakes forests, roadsides, and residential lots
- It harms native trees such as:
  - o 🍁 Maples
  - o 🌳 Ash trees
  - o 🌲 Fir and spruce species

He noted:

- The tree grows rapidly (up to several feet per year)
- Cutting it incorrectly can cause dozens of new shoots to appear 😬
- It has become widespread around:
  - 🛣️ Highways
  - 🏖️ Beaches
  - 🌊 Lake areas
  - Public rights-of-way

### ⚠️ Suggested Treatment Methods

Mike described recommended removal methods researched through agricultural and extension programs:

#### 🧴 Chemical Treatment

Methods included:

- **Basal bark application**
- **Hack-and-squirt treatment**

Key points:

- Applications work best in the fall 🍂
- Proper safety equipment is required 🧤
- Trees should NOT simply be cut down ❌🌳

He stressed:

Incomplete removal causes aggressive regrowth.

#### 📚 Request to the Town

Mike encouraged the town to:

- 📣 Increase public awareness
- 📄 Share educational materials/PDFs
- 🛣️ Address infestations on public property and roadsides

He offered to help prepare educational information for residents. 🤝

### **Community Event Announcement**

Officials also announced the upcoming **German-American festival/event** 🇩🇪🎵

### **Event Details**

- **Friday, May 30:** 3 PM – 10 PM
- **Saturday, May 31:** Noon – 7 PM

Features include:

- 🍔 Food
- 🎵 Live music
- 🍺 Beer
- 🎪 Community activities

Residents were encouraged to attend and support the event.

### **Closing Remarks**

Additional comments highlighted:

- Appreciation for community organizations
- Encouragement for younger residents to get involved 🙌
- Gratitude for maintaining a peaceful, welcoming town atmosphere

Supervisor Jolicoeur made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm

Seconded by Councilman Luongo, unanimously carried.

**Next Town Board Work Session June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026 at 5 pm.**

**Supporting documents can be viewed by clicking the following link:**

[05-27-2026-Town-Board-MEETING-with-supporting-documents.pdf](https://www.townofputnamvalley.com/files/05-27-2026-Town-Board-MEETING-with-supporting-documents.pdf)

**The meeting can be watched in its entirety by clicking the following link:**

[: https://youtu.be/uzI2PkJaXWY?si=b4s8LkXjAovWQAY](https://youtu.be/uzI2PkJaXWY?si=b4s8LkXjAovWQAY)

Respectfully submitted

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