

**TOWN OF DEERPARK
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

April 13, 2026

7pm Public Hearing Local Laws 1, 2, 3 &4

7:30pm Town Board Meeting

Meeting was held at Town Hall, 420 Route 209, Huguenot, New York 12746

Public Hearing Called to Order: 7:10 pm by Gary Spears

7:11pm Town Supervisor Gary Spears reads Public Hearing Notice for **Local Law #1 of 2026** - Real Property Tax Exemption for Volunteer Firefighter and Ambulance Members

No Sign-ups for Public Comments

Town Attorney Glen Plotsky further explained the Local Law

7:15pm Motion to Close Public Hearing

Motion by Art Trovei, 2nd by Robert Whitney

Votes: 5 Ayes: Art Trovei, Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Town Supervisor Gary Spears reads Public Hearing Notice for **Local Law #2 of 2026** – Requiring Prior Written notice of defect(s) in civil actions for damages commenced against the Town of Deerpark

No Sign-ups for Public Comments

Town Attorney Glan Plotsky further explained the Local Law

7:17pm Motion to Close Public Hearing

Motion by Alan Schock 2nd by Christina Hoovler

Votes: 5 Ayes: Art Trovei, Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Town Supervisor Gary Spears reads Public Hearing Notice for **Local Law #3 of 2026** – Amending Local Law #1 of 1978 regulating exemptions from Taxation and Special AD Valorem Levies imposed on the Town of Deerpark

No Sign-ups for Public Comment

Town Attorney Glan Plotsky further explained the Local Law

7:20pm Motion to Close Public Hearing

Motion by Alan Schock 2nd by Art Trovei

Votes: 5 Ayes: Art Trovei, Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Town Supervisor Gary Spears reads Public Hearing Notice for **Local Law #4 of 2026** – Retirement Medical Benefits for Full Time Elected Official

No Sign-ups for Public Comment

Town Attorney Glan Plotsky further explained the Local Law

Councilmember Christa Hoovler questioned the cost.

7:33pm Motion to Close Public Hearing

Motion by Alan Schock 2nd by Art Trovei

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Recess: 5 Minutes

Invocation: Art Trovei, Councilmember

Pledge: Christina Hoovler, Councilmember

Regular Meeting Called to Order at 7:39pm

Attendance:

Supervisor: Gary Spears

Councilmembers: Alan Schock, Art Trovei, Robert Whitney, Christina Hoovler

Attorney: Glen Plotsky

Absent: Town Clerk Florence Santini

Addition to Agenda: Add Minutes of Emergency Meeting from April 10th 2026

Motion to Add Emergency Meeting Minutes for Approval

Motion by Alan Schock 2nd by Art Trovei

Votes: 5 Ayes: Art Trovei, Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation/Communication:

Mobile DMV will be at the Senior Center April 22nd, 2026 10am-12pm and 1pm-3:30pm

UDC Litter Sweep – Earth Month

Bulk Clean-up Permits for May

Public Comments:

Grace Woodard

-Dragon Springs Fence

-Junkyard Licenses

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Department Head Reports:

*Deerpark Police Chief Richard Szyndor reads his March 2026 Monthly Report.
(Attached to Minutes)*

*Supervisor Spears asked Police Chief Szyndor to review what was needed for security and traffic
in the past for the Mass Gathering Events for New Century*

*Highway Superintendent Raymond Cirulli reads his March 2026 Monthly Report.
(Attached to Minutes)*

Motion to Approve March 9th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Christa Hoovler 2nd Alan Schock

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

**Motion to Approve April 10th, 2026 Emergency Board Meeting Minutes- Accepting Resignation
from Justice Charlotte Van Horn and Appointing Matthew Costello to open Judge Position**

Motion by Art Trovei 2nd Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

Motion to Review Opened Fuel Bids from Mirabito & Bottini Fuel

Discussion and reviewed for approval

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Fuel Bid from Bottini Fuel for Deisel and Unleaded Fuel

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

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Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Local Law #2 of 2026 – Requiring Prior Written notice of defect(s) in civil actions for damages commenced against the Town of Deerpark

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd Art Trovei

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Local Law #3 of 2026 – Amending Local Law #1 of 1978 regulating exemptions from Taxation and Special AD Valorem Levies imposed on the Town of Deerpark

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd Art Trovei

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Approve Local Law #4 of 2026 – Retirement Medical Benefits for Full Time Elected Officials

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

New Business:

Resolutions

Resolution #7 of 2026 – Internal Financial Audit – Suzan Sacks

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Robert Whitney to adopt Resolution No.7 of 2026

5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

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Resolution #8 of 2026 – Orange County Stop DWI – Traffic Safety Program

Motion by Christa Hoovler, 2nd by Art Trovei to adopt Resolution No.8 of 2026

5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

CDBG 2027 – Public Hearing May 11, 2026 7:15pm for Discussion on CDBG Grant

- Pickleball Courts – Building #2 (Done)
- ADA Bathrooms – Harriet Space Park (Done)
- New Playground – Sparrowbush (Suggestion)

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd Christa Hoovler to Hold Public Hearing May 11, 2026 at 7:15pm

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Junkyard/Racetrack/Campground Licenses

Motion to Accept Eckes Junkyard License

Inspection has been completed by Code Enforcement Office

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Brim Junkyard License

Inspection has been completed by Code Enforcement Office

Motion by Christa Hoovler, 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Trovei Junkyard License

Inspection has been completed by Code Enforcement Office

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 4 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

Abstained: Art Trovei

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Motion to Accept Neversink River Resort Campground License

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Motion by Robert Whitney, 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Oakland Valley Racetrack License

Inspection has been completed by Code Enforcement Office

Motion by Christa Hoovler, 2nd by Alan Schock

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Leave of Absence for Officer Brandon Osborne April 23 – June 1, 2026 for the Birth of Daughter

We do not participate with FMLA but he can use his own time following the FLMA Guidelines.

Motion by Robert Whitney, 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to Accept Mass Gathering Permits from New Century for America the Beautiful, June 13-14 & Moon Festival Sept 19-20

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Christa Hoovler

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Gary Motioned to Review a Plan for Parking, Police Presence, Security and Billing for Mass Gathering – Speak with Chief

Table for May Meeting

Motion by Art Trovei, 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Gary Spears

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Motion to Approve 2026 Bulk Clean-up

Motion by Alan Schock, 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Bills to pay:

General Fund Abstract #5 of 2026	\$320,199.39
Highway Fund Abstract #5 of 2026	\$205,068.16
Street Lighting Fund Abstract #3 of 2026	\$680.55
Special Revenue Reserve Abstract #1 of 2026	\$1,314.69
Total	\$527,262.49

Motion to Approve Paying Bills

Motion by Christa Hoovler 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made to go into Executive Session by Gary Spears for Town Board and Town Attorney after Closing Comments

Motion by Alan Schock 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Closing Comments

Christa – Congratulations to Officer Osborne and his family

Art Trovei – Great Job by the Highway Dept

Alan Schock – None

Robert Whitney - None

Gary Spears – Good Job Highway Dept and Police Dept

10 Minute Recess @8:51pm

Motion to start Executive Session at 9pm

Motion by Art Trovei 2nd by Robert Whitney

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Motion to Re-enter Regular Session at 10:20pm

Motion by Art Trovei 2nd by Robert Whitney

VOTES: 5 AYES: Alan Schock, Robert Whitney, Art Trovei, Christa Hoovler, Gary Spears

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Roseann Jenks

Deputy Town Clerk

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