

ROLL CALL: Present: Supervisor Gary Dickson
Councilmember Scott Robertson
Councilmember Mary Sherman
Councilmember Robert Breidenstein
Councilmember Marc D. Priore

Absent:

SUPERVISOR CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Fire Safety Notification
3. Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Accept agenda as published

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Sherman, to move the appointments of Brennan Garvey and Marc Priore to the front of the agenda, and group the Communications to be Voted On items in one motion.

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

1. Town Clerk Newton re Meeting Minutes 2026-10 of May 28, 2026

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Breidenstein, to approve Meeting Minutes 2026-10 of May 28, 2026.

Ayes: 3 Noes: 0 Abstain: 2 Motion Carried

Voting For: Gary Dickson, Mary Sherman, Robert Breidenstein

Voting Against: None

Abstain: Councilmembers Priore and Robertson

OLD BUSINESS

1. Town Clerk Newton re Proofs of Publication and posting of legal notice "OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND CITIZENS FOR OR AGAINST THE ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW 2026-4 MODIFICATION OF CHAPTER 46-6 AVOIDABLE ALARMS" in the Town of West Seneca.

Supervisor Dickson stated that the final version is not ready for review.

2. Town Clerk Newton re Proofs of Publication and posting of legal notice "OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND CITIZENS FOR OR AGAINST THE ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW 2026-3 MODIFICATION OF CHAPTER 12-20.8 OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT" in the Town of West Seneca.

Town Attorney Trapp stated the Code Enforcement Office has requested a minor change, and he will have the final version prepared for the next Town Board Meeting.

Councilmember Sherman referred to live entertainment at businesses abutting residential property and questioned if a special permit is always required. Mr. Trapp stated the Code Enforcement Office will be reviewing applications and would be aware of prior complaints.

Councilmember Breidenstein stated he would follow up with Mr. Schieber about permits for events listed online.

3. Councilmember Breidenstein re Appointment of Town Council Member

Motion by Councilmember Breidenstein, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to adopt the following resolution and appoint Marc Priore as a Town Council Member to fill the vacant term effective immediately:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of West Seneca traditionally operates with five members, inclusive of the Town Supervisor, and

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of one Town Board member, there currently is a vacancy on the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, it is within the authority of the Town Board to select an individual to fill such seat pending the general election in November 2026 at which time such appointee shall have the right to seek election for the remainder of the unexpired term of the individual who resigned, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the people of the Town of West Seneca to have a fully constituted Board of individuals so that their voices can be heard most effectively,

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of West Seneca hereby appoints Marc D. Priore as a Board member of the Town Board of the Town of West Seneca.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board will now entertain public comments for an item on the agenda or for any topic of concern. Each speaker should state your name and street for the record. Please be respectful in your comments and do not divulge any personal or confidential information (for example: names, specific situations, etc.). Speakers should recognize that not all questions or comments can be answered immediately and may require additional research. It is the Board's goal to respond in a thoughtful, timely, and accurate manner.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following public comments were received:

Jeff Quain, Davis Road:

- Congratulated Councilmember Priore
- This is the second time the Town Board has made an appointment before the public could comment and, in his opinion, this action shows a disregard for transparency
- Questioned why the appointment was placed under "Old Business" - Councilmember Breidenstein

stated this item was discussed previously and felt it was most appropriate given previous discussions and stated the agenda was republished Friday morning when the redaction of personal information for Mr. Priore was completed. Supervisor Dickson welcomed the new Councilmember and stated the position was advertised, interviews were held, and also noted that Mr. Priore won West Seneca in a recent election. Councilmember Robertson expressed similar sentiments. Councilmember Breidenstein stated six individuals expressed interest in the position, from all political spectrums, some withdrew or did not apply. There was much attention brought to the situation.

- The agenda was posted without information and was subsequently revised

Councilmember Priore thanked the Town Board for the opportunity and likened the appointment to a 5-month interview. He will be accountable to the residents of West Seneca.

Kylie, Manhasset Street:

- Requested a clear outline for residents regarding the avoidable alarms code amendment -

Supervisor Dickson acknowledged the request for additional information.

- Are any safety measures being implemented for Harlem Road Park - Supervisor Dickson stated that the police do patrol the park.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PERSONNEL

1. Highway Superintendent Adams re Retirement of Buildings and Grounds Working Crew Chief Donald Bebak

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to accept the retirement of Donald Bebak from his position as the Working Crew Chief for Buildings and Grounds Department after 29 years of service, noting his official retirement date will be May 29, 2026.

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

2. Highway Superintendent Adams re Appointment of Brennan Garvey as a Buildings and Grounds Laborer

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to appoint Brennan Garvey as a full time Buildings & Grounds Laborer, Group 1, Step 1 at a rate of \$25.92 per hour, effective June 9, 2026, to be paid from the Buildings & Grounds full-time account line 001-7110-0144-0000-0000.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

3. Director of Recreation Cox re Status change of part-time Recreation Department employees

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Sherman, to change the status of the following Recreation Department employees from part-time to part-time seasonal, effective June 10, 2026, at the designated hourly rates listed below:

Recreation Leader

Erin Sullivan -\$21 per hour

Nate Mellerski -\$22 per hour

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Chris Mellerski -\$22 per hour
Hanna Dylik -\$22 per hour
Aiden Czaja -\$22 per hour
Ava Rivarola -\$21 per hour

Recreation Attendant

Isobel Bucki - \$18.50 per hour
Nancy Birkmeyer \$18.50 per hour
Kennedy Louth \$18.50 per hour
Hayden Zarbo- \$18 per hour
Olivia Hunger- \$17 per hour
Sean Sullivan - \$17 per hour
Lillian Sikora - \$17 per hour

Lifeguard

Brooke Weber -\$18.50 per hour

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

4. Director of Recreation Cox re Rate of pay increase for Recreation Attendant Adelyn Louth

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Sherman, to increase the rate of pay for Recreation Attendant Adelyn Louth to \$17.50 per hour effective June 10, 2026.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

5. Director of Recreation Cox re Appointment of part-time seasonal Recreation Department employees

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Sherman, to appoint the following part-time Recreation Department employees with seasonal status at the rates of pay as listed effective June 10, 2026:

Recreation Attendant

Allison Culliton- \$17 per hour
Parker Wright- \$17 per hour
Kathryn Harrington- \$17 per hour
Oliver Dana- \$17 per hour
Matthew Odom- \$17 per hour
Hunter Krug - \$17 per hour

Recreation Aid

Sophia Margarone- \$16 per hour
Juliana Giammaresi- \$16 per hour
Jack Keane- \$16 per hour
Luke Blatchley - \$16 per hour
Delaney Banks - \$16 per hour
Olivia Renzoni - \$16 per hour
Adam Skrzypczyk - \$16 per hour

Connor Cox- \$16 per hour
Owen Jaworski- \$16 per hour

Lifeguard

Aiden O'Neil- \$18.50 per hour
Julia Buczynskyj- \$18 per hour
Jacob St.John - \$18 per hour

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

6. Director of Recreation Cox re Appointment of part-time seasonal Recreation Department employees

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Sherman, to appoint the following part-time Recreation Department employees with seasonal status at the rates of pay as listed effective June 10, 2026:

Recreation Aid

Lily Robertson- \$16 per hour
Sophie Robertson- \$16 per hour

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 1 Motion Carried

Voting For: Supervisor Dickson, Councilmembers Sherman, Breidenstein, and Priore

Voting Against: None

Abstain: Councilmember Robertson

7. Director of Recreation Cox re Appointment of part-time seasonal Recreation Department employee

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Board Member Breidenstein, to appoint the following part-time Recreation Department employees with seasonal status at the rates of pay as listed effective June 10, 2026:

Recreation Attendant

Abby Sherman- \$17 per hour

Ayes: 4 Noes: 0 Abstain: 1 Motion Carried

Voting For: Supervisor Dickson, Councilmembers Breidenstein, Robertson, and Priore

Voting Against: None

Abstain: Councilmember Sherman

2. FOR DISCUSSION

1. Councilmember Breidenstein re Naming Rights Protocols and Policy

Councilmember Breidenstein presented the attached draft Naming Rights Protocol for consideration by the Town Board.

Supervisor Dickson noted requests to rename town facilities are received infrequently and asked if Councilmember Breidenstein was proposing a standing committee or whether one would be created at the time such a request was made. Councilmember Breidenstein stated he did not envision a

standing committee.

Supervisor Dickson asked if the proposal would apply to future requests as the Recreation Commission is currently considering the Joint Veterans Committee's request to rename parks. Councilmember Breidenstein stated the current request has provided the model for this proposal and reiterated the requirement of a super majority vote.

Councilmember Sherman asked if there was a budget to cover any costs. Councilmember Breidenstein stated the entity requesting the change would cover the costs. In the instance of the Joint Veterans Committee's request, there is a dedicated budget through the building fund that could cover the signage. Councilmember Sherman stated the Joint Veterans Committee will be providing plaques at each of the parks at their expense.

3. COMMUNICATIONS TO BE VOTED ON

1. Chief Cosgrove re Purchase of Duty weapon mounted lights

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to approve the purchase of (70) seventy Streamlight TLR-7 HLX USB lights per the quote from Amchar Wholesale Inc. in accordance with NYS contract #PC70923 for the total amount \$9,841.30 to be paid from the Federal Asset Forfeiture Program account.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion

2. Chief Cosgrove re Purchase of Holsters for duty weapons

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to approve the purchase of holsters from AmChar Wholesale at a cost of \$9,687.77 for the department's new duty weapons to be paid from the Federal Asset Forfeiture Program.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

3. Chief Cosgrove re 2026 Budget Amendment – Police Department

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to authorize the following 2026 budget amendment for the use of revenue from NYS Sheriff's Association proceeds awarded to the Police Department:

WHEREAS, the Town of West Seneca Police were reimbursed \$6,971.92 by the NYS Sheriff's Association for overtime costs incurred; and

WHEREAS, the payment was received from the NYS Sheriff's Association on May 21, 2026 in the amount of \$6,971.92 will be recognized as revenue in the General Fund as Other Public Safety Income, account 01000100.41589:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the 2026 budget amendment to increase Other Public Safety Income, account 01000100.41589 by \$6,971.92 for the receipt of proceeds. Police – Overtime, account 01312000.50199 will also be increased by \$6,971.92 for Overtime costs.

Increase:

01000100.41589 Other Public Safety Income \$6,971.92

01312000.50199 Police – Overtime \$6,971.92

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

4. Director of Finance re 2025 Budget Amendment - Highway Department

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to authorize the following 2025 budget amendment for the use of revenue from the sale of excess woodchips by the Highway Department:

WHEREAS, the Town of West Seneca Highway Department received proceeds from the sale of excess woodchips in the amount of \$10,990; and

WHEREAS, the payments received from this sale were received on October 29, 2025 have been recognized as revenue in the Highway Fund as Sale of Excess Scrap and Materials, account 02000200.42650:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the 2025 budget amendment to increase Highway Sale of Excess Scrap and Materials Income by \$10,990 for the receipt of proceeds from the sale of excess woodchips. Highway – Equipment, account #02511000.50200 will also be increased by \$10,990 for the associated expenses.

Increase:

02000200.42650 Highway Sale of Excess Scrap & Material \$10,990.00

02511000.50200 Highway – Equipment \$10,990.00

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

5. Director of Finance re 2025 Budget Amendment - Highway Department

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to authorize the following 2025 budget amendment for the use of revenue from the Town of Cheektowaga to the Highway Department:

WHEREAS, the Town of West Seneca Highway Department performed a service contract for the Town of Cheektowaga in the amount of \$75,000; and

WHEREAS, the payments received from this service contract on October 29, 2025 have been recognized as revenue in the Highway Fund as Services for Other Governments, account 02000200.42300:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the 2025 budget amendment to increase

Highway Services for Other Governments Income by \$75,000 for the receipt of proceeds from the Service Contract. Highway – Equipment, account #02511000.50200 will also be increased by \$75,000 for the associated expenses.

Increase:

02000200.42300 Highway Services for Other Gov \$75,000.00

02511000.50200 Highway – Equipment \$75,000.00

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

4. WARRANT

1. Director of Finance re Approval of Warrant

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Sherman, to approve the vouchers submitted for audit, chargeable to the respected funds as follows:

General Fund: \$ 92,455.19

Highway Fund: \$ 53,379.83

Capital Fund: \$ 71,617.60

Sewer Districts: \$ 1,379,252.08

Water Districts: \$ 0.00

Drainage District: \$ 0.00

Gas Conversion Lighting Districts: \$ 26.08

Electric Lighting Districts: \$ 41.00

Total: \$ 1,596,771.78

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

ISSUES OF THE PUBLIC

Kylie, Manhasset Street:

- Concerned that the culture surrounding resident concerns are not taken seriously
- Continued to question the code change surrounding hens/chickens

COMMUNICATIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Director of Recreation Cox

- Pool opening on June 22nd
- Kick-off to summer is scheduled for June 30th

Chief Cosgrove

- Congratulated Don Bebak on his retirement
- The Police Department's property auction is June 13th

Councilmember Robertson

- Reminded all that the next Town Board meeting has been rescheduled from June 22nd to June 29th
- Encouraged all to enjoy Community Days

Supervisor Dickson

- There were many opportunities for the public to speak during the process to update the town code to ban chickens and the Town Board carefully considered their decision

Councilmember Sherman

- Excited that the pool is opening earlier than usual
- Welcomed Councilmember Priore

Councilmember Breidenstein

- Reminded all that there will be fireworks on Friday and Saturday during Community Days as the Town collaborates with the West Seneca Civic and Patriotic Commission to celebrate the USA's 250th anniversary and the Town of West Seneca's 175th anniversary
- A September celebration is being planned
- Many end of the school year activities are ongoing and encouraged students to be safe
- Was not a Town Board member when the law banning chickens was brought up, but noted the members that were carefully considered the issues

Deputy Highway Superintendent Gugliuzza

- Congratulated Don Bebak on his retirement
- The Highway Department is now operating out of 100 Gemcor Drive and electronics should be brought to this location

Town Attorney Trapp

- Congratulations Councilmember Priore on his appointment
- Chickens have not been banned, the zone where chickens are permitted has changed
- Requested an executive session to update the Town Board on a matter regarding litigation involving Queens Landing

Town Engineer Foote also welcomed Councilmember Priore.

Town Clerk Newton

- Congratulated Don Bebak and Marc Priore
- Completed the first day of a Town Clerk training conference and noted the amount of similar circumstances the Tax Collectors across NYS experience
- One of the Tax Collector's warrants is over \$1B!

Deputy Supervisor Greenan

- Also congratulated Don Bebak and Marc Priore
- The Summer newsletter is available
- Remember to stop by the Farmers Market on Thursdays

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to enter into executive session to discuss the Queens Landing litigation at 6:44 P.M.

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Carried

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Breidenstein, to exit executive session

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and return to the open meeting at 7 P.M.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Supervisor Dickson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to adjourn the meeting at 7 P.M.

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 Motion Carried

TOWN OF WEST SENECA



TOWN SUPERVISOR
Gary A. Dickson
TOWN COUNCILMAN
Robert J. Breidenstein
Scott Robertson
Mary T. Sherman

To: Town Board Members

From: Robert J. Breidenstein, Town Councilman

Re: Naming Rights and Dedication Protocol

Date: June 4, 2026

I would propose as a starting point for conversation the following Naming Rights Protocol for your consideration and would ask to place this item on an upcoming Town Board agenda. Your input is welcomed.

Town Facility* Naming and Dedication Policy:

- Proposed policy would allow facilities* to be named/re-named or dedicated/re-dedicated (i.e. buildings or roads or parks) for an individual(s) who:
 - has played a critical role, achieved notable accomplishment to benefit society in ways that supported the success and well-being of the Town of West Seneca, Western New York, the State of New York, or the United States of America, and
 - “Principal legacy” (i.e. the key activity, advocacy or accomplishment for which the individual is most known) aligns with or reflects the Town’s mission, vision, values and beliefs, and
 - Individual(s) has been deceased for two (2)** or more years

*includes any structure, building, park, equipment or town-maintained road

**recommended waiting period, could be waived if deemed appropriate and so motioned

Requests for Naming or Dedication of Facilities:

- Proposals for consideration of Naming or Dedication must:
 - Be submitted to the Town Council in writing by sponsoring town entity
 - Clearly articulate the reasons for the requested naming or dedication, design elements of signage, size etc. and costs associated with renaming/dedication
 - Be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Town Council
 - If the naming or dedication request necessitates a cost incurred to the Town (i.e. signage), the cost must be borne by the requesting entity.

Town Obligations for Naming or Dedication of Facilities*:

- The Town Board must appoint 6 committee members (1 member appointed by each Councilmember and Highway Superintendent) plus the Code Enforcement Officer for the town to review requests for naming or dedication requests
- The written request for Naming Dedication:

- Must be shared publicly and presented to the community via regular or special Town Board meeting or Commission/Board meeting (i.e. Recreation Commission, Historical Commission)
 - Written request must be posted conspicuously on Town Website(s)
- A 30 day waiting period must occur allowing residents or interested parties to provide public comments on proposed naming or dedication requests.
- After a waiting period of 30 days, the Town appointed committee shall provide a written recommendation in support of or denial of naming or dedication request to the Town Board.
- The Town Board will consider such request(s) and approve by a super majority vote (4 of 5 Councilmembers) to name or dedicate a town facility*
- The Town Board has final approval of any signage (design, color and size) in accordance with any applicable zoning or code requirements