

A Special Session Meeting was called by the Town Board of the Town of Orchard Park, Erie County, New York, held at the Orchard Park Municipal Center, S4295 South Buffalo Street, Orchard Park, New York on the 10th day of June 2026 at 6:11 P.M. (local time)

Present:	Joseph Liberti	Supervisor
	Scott Honer	Deputy Supervisor
	Julia Mombrea	Councilmember
	John Mariano	Councilmember
	Dr. Gregory Bennett	Councilmember
	Tim Gallagher	Town Attorney

MOTION MADE BY SUPERVISOR LIBERTI to go into Special Meeting, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BENNETT, WITH UNANIMIOUS APPROVAL, THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.

MOTION made by SUPERVISOR LIBERTI for a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a NY Plays Grant application for the Burmon Road Recreation Area Playground replacement project, the Resolution was read into the record.

WHEREAS, the Town of Orchard Park owns and operates the Burmon Road Recreation Area, a public park providing recreational opportunities for residents and visitors of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the existing playground structure serving children ages 5-12 has reached the end of its useful life, exhibits significant deterioration, is not fully compliant with current accessibility standards, and requires replacement to ensure the continued safety and enjoyment of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Town has identified the replacement and modernization of the Burmon Road playground as a priority through ongoing parks planning efforts, including its Seven-Year Playground Revitalization Plan and recent public outreach activities; and

WHEREAS, DASNY has made available funding through the NY PLAYS Program for the construction and improvement of public playground facilities; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated cost of the Burmon Road Recreation Area Playground Replacement Project is approximately **Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000)**; and

WHEREAS, the Town intends to request **Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000)** in funding through the DASNY NY PLAYS Program and will provide a local share of **Seventy-Five**

Thousand Dollars (\$75,000), representing approximately **23 percent of the total project cost**; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department anticipates providing the required local share through eligible in-kind services and volunteer contributions associated with a community-build installation effort, and additional labor provided by Town staff and community volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the value of these local contributions as evidence of strong community support and stewardship for the project and is committed to documenting such contributions in accordance with NY PLAYS program requirements; and

WHEREAS, should local funding be necessary to satisfy the required local share, the Town Board authorizes the use of available Parks and Recreation Department Reserve Funds for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to authorize its grant consultants, **J. O'Connell and Associates**, to prepare and submit the NY PLAYS application and any associated documents necessary to secure funding for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Orchard Park hereby authorizes the submission of an application to the DASNY NY PLAYS Grant Program for funding assistance for the Burmon Road Recreation Area Playground Replacement Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board commits to providing a local share of **\$75,000**, through the use of eligible volunteer labor and in-kind services furnished by the Parks and Recreation Department and community volunteers, with Parks and Recreation Department Reserve Funds available, if necessary, to ensure fulfillment of the Town's financial commitment.

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes **J. O'Connell and Associates** to act on behalf of the Town in preparing and submitting the grant application and to provide such additional information and documentation as may be required by DASNY in connection with the application process; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and such other Town officials as may be necessary are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution and to fulfill the requirements of the NY PLAYS Grant Program.

THE MOTION WAS OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR LIBERTI, WHO MOVED FOR ITS ADOPTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MOMBREA, WITH UNANIMIOUS APPROVAL, THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.

at 6:16 P.M. a motion was made by SUPERVISOR LIBERTI, to end the Special Session seconded by COUNCILMEMBER MARIANO, with unanimous approval the Special Session was closed.
Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Gallagher', is written over a horizontal line.

Tim Gallagher, Town Attorney