

**A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, 201 THIRD AVE., FRANKFORT, NEW YORK. PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2026 REGULATING PROPERTY MAINTENANCE WITHIN THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT. REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING FOLLOWED**

Present: John Wallace, Supervisor  
Christopher Evans, Councilman  
Michael Perritano, Councilman  
Joseph Tamburro, Councilman  
Chief Matthew Palumbo  
Marcus Perritano, Highway Superintendent  
Karl Manne, Town Attorney

Supervisor Wallace opened the regular meeting at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING - LOCAL LAW 1, 2026 REGULATING PROPERTY MAINTENANCE WITHIN THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT**

Supervisor Wallace opened at the Public hearing at 6:00PM and read the legal notice

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Ally Spongr DeGon** of the Byway administration addressed the town board regarding the proposed Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad byway resolution; the byway is 550 miles route from New York City to Niagara Falls, following approximately where Harriet Tubman took slaves along the Underground Railroad to freedom. Phase One (1) runs from Auburn to Niagara Falls. Supervisor Wallace asked about the part of the resolution that stated the town would not any new signage along the proposed route; does the board have authority what went up on private property and if an existing billboard would be able to make changes. Spongr DeGon stated any existing billboards were grandfathered in and would be able to make changes, private properties would be regulated by the town's codes and laws.

**NO. 46 APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION** made by Supervisor Wallace that the town board resolves to approve the meeting minutes of January 22, 2026. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

Supervisor Wallace closed the Public Hearing at 6:15 PM  
No public comments

**COMMITTEE REPORT / DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Various reports submitted

Chief Matthew Palumbo submitted his report; attached and discussed.

- Conducted interviews in accordance with Civil Service law. Several candidates have no training and will need to be sent to full academy. Need to establish pay rate for non-trained employees.
- LE Tec grant has still not been opened up.
- CAP court issues being discussed regarding arraignment issues and holding issues. Sheriff informed the police chiefs that due to staffing they are unable to hold pre-arraignments for the month.
- Gym membership.

Superintendent Perritano submitted his report;

- It has been a long month with a lot of snow, extremely cold temps, and break downs
- We need to address the security/fire alarm system at the garage
- I met with BCA group about pump station upgrades. They will be working on a bid packet
- We've been working on putting a highway newsletter together to answer commonly asked questions about the department

- I would like to appoint James Coveleski as Deputy Highway Superintendent until his retirement at the end of April
- The Town of Frankfort is registered with the DEC as a collection site for residents' dropped off electronics that are received during the summer trash drop off season

**NO. 47 APPOINT HIGHWAY DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT –J AMES COVELESKI**  
**MOTION** made by Supervisor Wallace that the town board resolves to appoint James Coveleski to Deputy Highway Superintendent effective March 2, 2026, for the remaining two months until his retirement. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Supervisor Wallace reported that he gave the town board the current bank balances and the Supervisors monthly report for January. NYClass is still doing very well. All of the POLIT's were paid and deposited along with the town's tax warrant. Railroad Street Bridge is going out for bid on March 19, 2026

**NO. 48 ACCEPT JUSTICE COURT AUDIT**  
**MOTION** made by Supervisor Wallace that the town board resolves to accept the Audit of the two Justices of the Town of Frankfort, regarding finances and keeping of the books (Attached) Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**NO. 49 ADOPT LOCAL LAW NO.1, OF 2026 -A LOCAL LAW REGULATION PROPERTY MAINTENANCE WITHIN THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT**  
**MOTION** made by Supervisor Wallace that the Town Board resolves to adopt Local Law 1, 2026, a local law regulating property maintenance within the Town of Frankfort. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0. **APPROVED**

**HARRIETT TUBMAN UNDERGROUND RAILROAD BYWAY RESOLUTION** **TABLED**

**NO. 50 ADOPT A LOCAL LAW IMPOSING A SIX MONTH MORATORIUM ON NEW SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS, SOLAR FARMS, WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS, WINDMILLS, AND OR BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS WITHIN THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT LOCAL LAW NO. 5 OF 2025**  
**MOTION** made by Supervisor Wallace that the town board resolves to approve a six month moratorium to allow the town board time to analyze and determine potential appropriate zoning regulations concerning solar and wind energy system effective at the end of the current moratorium April 23, 2026. Second by Councilmembers Perritano and Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**JUNKYARD APPLICATION-ST AUTO LIGHTS LLC**

Codes officer Jerry Meyers addressed the town board with concerns about complaints from residents about noise and suggest regulating hours and the number of vehicles allowed on the property. He recommends the permit be specific about caveats and proper enforcement. He recommends sending it back to the Zoning Board for changes. **TABLED**

**NO. 51 BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW — APPOINTMENT Gerald Meyers**  
**MOTION** made by Supervisor Wallace that the town board resolves to file the vacancy on the Board of Assessment Review with Gerald Myers; term of office 02/26/2026 to 9/30/2030. Second by Councilmember Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**WEST FRANKFORT PART 2 WELSHBUSH ROAD**

Supervisor Wallace stated that in the next couple of months BCA will have some type of planning opportunities for the Town and that the town is going to have to start talking to the residence and send out flyer sand surveys. Councilman Evans said that he will help with all of it.

**TOWN HALL EXTERIOR LIGHTS**

Supervisor Wallace stated that all the exterior lights at the Town Hall that were out have been replaced.

**ABSTRACT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS—FEBRUARY ABSTRACT #2**

**NO. 52** MOTION made by Councilman Tamburro to approve General Abstract #2—Claim No. 53-1090, Total \$169,689.85. Second by Councilman Evans. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**NO. 53** MOTION made by Councilman Tamburro to approve TOV Abstract #2—Claim No. 9-21A, Total \$5,053.99 Second by Councilman Perritano Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**NO. 54** MOTION made by Supervisor Wallace to approve Highway Abstract #2—Claim No. 24-51A Total \$ 90,145.48 Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**NO. 55** MOTION made by Councilman Evans to approve Highway TOV Abstract #2—Claim No. 3-4, Total \$202,736.05 Second by Councilman Evans. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**NO. 56** MOTION made by Supervisor Wallace to approve Special District Abstract #2—Claim No.6-21, Total \$24,579.90. Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

**NO. 57** MOTION made by Supervisor Wallace to approve Water Project Abstract #2—Claim No.4-5, Total \$254,711.05. Second by Councilman Perritano. Upon roll call; All in favor. Vote was 4-0 **APPROVED**

MOTION made by Supervisor Wallace to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel & Litigation issue. Second by Councilman Perritano Upon roll call; All in favor. 7:00 PM.

MOTION made by Councilman Wallace to come out of Executive Session and resume the regular meeting. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. 7:30 PM.

MOTION made by Supervisor Wallace to adjourn. Second by Councilman Tamburro. Upon roll call; All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dorri DeRollo, Town Clerk

**NEXT MEETING: March 26, 2026 at 6:00PM**