

**BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
DECEMBER 23, 2025**

6:00 PM

- Meeting called to order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Administrative Announcement--Fire Exits

TOWN BOARD MEETING

- Supervisor Comments
- Comments on Agenda Items (3 Minute Limit)

RESOLUTIONS

1. Approve Entertainment for Senior Winter Event
2. Approve User Fee Schedule for 2026
3. Revise Town Salt Shed Capital Project Funding
4. Authorize Payment to Dutchess County for Salt Shed Improvements
5. Approve Hiring of Part Time Account Clerk
6. Accept Insurance Proposal for Town Liability Policy (NYMIR) for 2026
7. Appoint Recreation Advisory Board Members
8. Revise FEMA Road Repairs Capital Budget
9. Adopt Driver and Fleet Safety Policy
10. Acknowledge Documents from Town Supervisor
11. Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement
12. Payment of Claims

- Other Town Board Business
- General Town Board Comments
- Public Comments (3-Minute Limit)
- **Next Regular Town Board Meeting: Tuesday, December 30, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-1
RE: RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ENTERTAINMENT FOR SENIOR EVENT

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department has monies in their budget for Senior Activities,
and

WHEREAS, the Senior Center has a Winter Party scheduled for Thursday, January 29,
2026 between the hours of 11 AM to 2 PM, at Recreation Park,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following expenditures be authorized,

Bob Martinson \$150 Senior Winter Party.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-2
RE: UPDATE USER FEE SCHEDULE YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Beekman passed Local Law #1-2022 Concerning Fees and Penalties; and

WHEREAS, the law removes Fees and Penalties from all sections of the Town Code and establishes a Fee Schedule approved by the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, this User Fee Schedule can be updated from time to time by a resolution of the Town Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the User Fees and Escrow Deposits Schedule as attached hereto and made a part hereof for the year 2026.

Introduced: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO.12:23:25-3
RE: RESOLUTION REVISING THE TOWN SALT SHED CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDING

WHEREAS, Town of Beekman revised the funding for the Salt Shed Improvement Capital Project in Resolution 12:09:25-9, and

WHEREAS, Dutchess County has submitted the schedule of total project costs; and

WHEREAS, the contribution for Dutchess County is now \$130,698;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the new funding sources for the Salt Shed Capital Project are recognized and approved as follows:

ARPA Funds	\$130,000
Other Funds	<u>\$2,500</u>
Total Town Funds	\$132,500
County Funds	<u>\$130,698</u>
Total Project Fund	\$263,198

Introduced: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

Seconded: COUNCILMAN CAPOLLARI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-4
RE: AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO DUTCHESS COUNTY TO REIMBURSE FOR THE
TOWN PORTION OF THE SALT SHED PROJECT

WHEREAS, by Resolution 12:02:24-1 the Town Board of the Town of Beekman entered into a joint project and Lease Agreement (the “Agreement”) with Dutchess County to allow for repairs/improvements to be made to the Salt Shed in 2025, with the parties sharing in the cost of same, and for the continued use and maintenance of same by the parties for an initial lease term to the County for ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman has received an invoice from Dutchess County for the Town’s share of the project as agreed to by both parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby approves the payment to Dutchess County in an amount not to exceed \$130,698.00.

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-5
RE: APPROVE THE HIRING OF A PART TIME ACCOUNT CLERK

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has received and accepted the resignation of part time Account Clerk Theresa Manzo as of December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is authorized under Town Law to make appointments and set salaries; and

WHEREAS, postings for the position of a part time Account Clerk and interviews of candidates for the position were conducted in accordance with Town Code; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous in filling the position of part time Account Clerk as of December 29, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman hereby appoints Nicole Klein to the position of part time Account Clerk as of December 29, 2025 with an hourly salary of \$22.11 per hour.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPELLARI

Seconded: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-6

**RE: ACCEPT INSURANCE PROPOSAL AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR
LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE TOWN OF BEEKMAN THROUGH NEW
YORK MUNICIPAL INSURANCE RECIPROCAL (NYMIR) FOR THE POLICY PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2026 TO DECEMBER 31, 2026**

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman received a proposal from Marshall & Sterling for General Insurance Services through NYMIR for the Town of Beekman for the year 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Town has received a summary proposal which is attached showing new premiums and deductibles

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman does hereby authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the agreement for general insurance coverage to the Town of Beekman through New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal (NYMIR) for the policy term January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$144,563.00.

Introduced: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-7
RE: APPROVE RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

WHEREAS, by Resolutions 03:02:16-2(23) the Recreation Advisory Board was created replacing the Beekman Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has the authority to make appointments to various boards; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Director has submitted the following names to be considered,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Beekman Town Board does hereby make the following appointments to the Recreation Advisory Board with the terms as listed:

Kathleen Macdonald	term to expire December 31, 2030
Jayden Rampolla	term to expire December 31, 2029
Deb Rodrigue	term to expire December 31, 2028
Colleen Hayes	term to expire December 31, 2027
Sharon Wohrman	term to expire December 31, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all appointments are contingent upon completion and submission of the Disclosure of Interest Statement pursuant to Chapter 19-9 of the Town Code, unless already on file and the information has not changed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all appointees shall file their Oath of Office with the Town Clerk before taking office.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

Seconded: COUNCILMAN CAPELLARI

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO.12:23:25-8

RE: RESOLUTION REVISING THE FEMA ROAD REPAIRS CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Town of Beekman in Resolution No. 08:26:25-2 revised the Capital Project Sources for the Repairs to Damaged Roads with FEMA & Highway Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer is preparing plans to complete the Special Road Repairs with the total estimated cost of \$540,000,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Beekman Town Board approves the Roads Repair Project Budget of \$540,000 summarized as follows:

<u>Capital Project Expenses</u>	<u>Total Costs</u>	<u>FEMA Funds</u>	<u>Highway</u>
<u>Funds</u>			
Garden Hollow Rd Embankment	181,841	181,841	
Stowe Drive Culvert	307,005	54,625	252,380
Town Management & Engineering	23,534	12,259	11,275
Contingency Reserve	<u>27,620</u>		<u>27,620</u>
Total Authorization +Funding	<u>\$540,000</u>	<u>\$248,725</u>	<u>\$291,275</u>

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-9
RE: RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE TOWN OF BEEKMAN DRIVER AND FLEET
SAFETY POLICY

WHEREAS, as a result of the Safety Inspection conducted by NYMIR, the Town of Beekman
was advised they develop a Driver and Fleet Safety Plan; and

WHEREAS, a policy following NYMIR guidelines has been created; and

WHEREAS, the employees who drive or have access to Town Vehicles will receive a copy
of the policy and acknowledge the same,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Beekman
hereby adopts the Driver and Fleet Safety Policy attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Policy take effect immediately.

Introduced: COUNCILMAN CAPELLARI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-10
RE: CONFIRMATION OF TOWN SUPERVISOR ABSENCE NOVEMBER 6, 2025

WHEREAS, as the result of an accusation by Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono that the Supervisor was untruthful about her absence at the November 6, 2025 Town Board Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor at the Town Board meeting December 9, 2025 presented documents corroborating her reasons for the absence at said meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk Laureen Abbatantuono refused to take the documents and include them in the minutes confirming the reason for the Supervisor's absence; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor has signed and notarized a HIPPA release for the documents,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following documents attached hereto be included to establish the accuracy of the Supervisor statements.

Introduced: SUPERVISOR COVUCCI

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	NAY
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-11
RE: SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, Civil Service Employees Association, Inc., Local 814, AFSCME, AFL-CIO (“Union”) and Town of Beekman (“Town”) are parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (“CBA”) with a duration of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2027 (“CBA”);

WHEREAS, the Union and the Town feel it is mutually beneficial to the parties to enter into this agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Union and the Town agree to the following:

1. The positions of Senior Clerk, Record Clerk, Account Clerk, Bookkeeper, Recreation Director, Recreation Assistant, Secretary to the Highway Superintendent, Legislative Aide, and Deputy Town Clerk will be added to the bargaining unit effective January 1, 2026.
2. All terms and conditions of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement shall apply to the added positions.
3. If there are any discrepancies between the CBA and the terms of the new positions are discovered after this agreement has gone into effect, the Town and the Union shall meet to negotiate out the details.
4. Effective January 1, 2026 the salaries for the newly added titles will be as follows:

Senior Clerk – \$27.81/hr

Record Clerk - \$25.75/hr

Account Clerk - \$25.75/hr

Bookkeeper – \$38.37/hr

Recreation Director - \$66,495 annual

Recreation Assistant – \$20.00/hr

Secretary to the Highway Superintendent – \$20.00/hr

Legislative Aide - \$18.88/hr

Deputy Town Clerk – \$22.35/hr

5. Effective January 1, 2027 the salaries for the newly added titles will be as follows:

Senior Clerk – \$28.78/hr	Record Clerk - \$26.65/hr
Account Clerk - \$26.65/hr	Bookkeeper – \$39.71/hr
Recreation Director - \$68,822 annual	Recreation Assistant – \$20.70/hr
Secretary to the Highway Superintendent – \$20.70/hr	
Legislative Aide - \$19.54/hr	Deputy Town Clerk – \$23.13/hr

6. This Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement will be incorporated into the next Successor Agreement between the Union and the Town.
7. This Supplemental Memorandum of Agreement is subject to approval by the Town Board.

Agreed to:

ON BEHALF OF TOWN OF BEEKMAN TOWN BOARD

Mary Covucci
Town Supervisor

Date

**ON BEHALF OF CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES
ASSOCIATION, INC., LOCAL 814, AFSCME, AFL-CIO**

Neil Heard

Neil Heard
Labor Relations Specialist

12/23/25
Date

Introduced: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

Seconded: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

RESOLUTION NO. 12:23:25-12
RE: PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

WHEREAS, the Bookkeeper has audited and approved claims pursuant to Sect. 119 of Town Law as set forth in the attached abstracts; be it

RESOLVED, that the payment, therefore, is hereby authorized as follows:

Claims to be paid from the A-General Fund	\$ 56,009.15
Claims to be paid from the DA-Highway Fund	\$ 364,876.45
Claims to be paid from the SS-Dover Ridge Sewer	\$ 3,532.50
Claims to be paid from the SW-Dover Ridge Water	\$ 24,067.55
Claims to be paid from the T-Trust Fund	\$ 3,852.02
Claims to be paid from the H-Capital Fund	<u>\$ 10,933.27</u>
	<u><u>\$ 463,270.94</u></u>

12/18/2025 Payroll #26

General Fund	\$ 36,827.88
Highway Fund	<u>\$ 33,424.43</u>
	<u><u>\$ 70,252.31</u></u>

Introduced: COUNCILWOMAN WOHRMAN

Seconded: COUNCILMAN LEMAK

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Councilman Capollari	AYE
Councilman Battaglini	ABSENT
Councilman Lemak	AYE
Councilwoman Wohrman	AYE
Supervisor Covucci	AYE

Dated: December 23, 2025