

**UNION VALE TOWN BOARD TOWN BOARD MEETING MAY 20, 2026**  
**249 DUNCAN ROAD, UNION VALE, NEW YORK, TOWN HALL 7:30 PM**  
**PRESENT: Supervisor Steve Frazier**  
**Town Council: Kevin Durland, Kevin McGivney, Josh Redinger,**  
**Kevin Harrington**  
**Town Clerk: Andrea Casey**  
**Highway Superintendent: Ed Kading**  
**Town Attorney: Ian Lindars**

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Supervisor Frazier called the meeting to Order to Order and Salute to the Flag at 7:30PM

**Motion Approve Minutes:** Councilman McGivney made a motion to approve the April 15, 2026 meeting minutes, seconded by Councilman Harrington and all were unanimously in favor.

**Supervisors Report**

- Asked for amendments to agenda, change reason for executive session to legal advice regarding library litigation motioned by Councilman Harrington seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were in favor.
- Events, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 the Arlington Jazz Machine will perform at Tymor for Music in the Park. Food truck will be there, great family event. June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Community Night, food trucks and fireworks.
- Finance Report April 2026: General Checking: \$1,226,461.00 MSC Receipts: \$3,708.00, General MM: \$96,883.00 General NYCLASS: \$2,792,713.00, General NYCLASS-Reserve: \$10,302.00 Total \$4,130,068.00
- Highway Checking: \$633,549.00, Highway MM: \$37,312.00, Highway NYCLASS: \$32,459.00, Highway New Acct for W. Clove Mtn Bridge: \$620,504.00, Equip Reserve \$209,508.00, total \$1,530,332.00  
**Grand Total: \$5,663,399.00**
- Aprils YTD is favorable by \$102,000 due to timing of expenses; April revenue is down \$8000 due to lower recycling center fees and interest. Overall YTD expenses are favorable vs the budget by \$110,000 due to the timing of expenses

**Board Member Reports**

*Councilman Redinger-* nothing specific to report tonight

*Councilman Harrington-* thank Highway for quick repair to Duncan Road

*Councilman Durland-* preparing for the upcoming meeting, reviewing the library litigation issue

*Councilman McGivney-* nothing to report

**Town Clerk Report**

Clerk Casey read a note from the Tax Collector, last day for collection is June 1<sup>st</sup> please pay online, in person or get envelopes hand stamped. June 9<sup>th</sup> all will be handed over the Dutchess County. The Park Manager wanted pool users to be aware the kiddie pool will not be open for opening day and will have an update as repairs allow due to an issue with the pump.

**Highway Report**

Superintendent Kading reported the crews are mowing road shoulders, repairing pot holes, cleaning ditches, oil and chip scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup> weather permitting, paving unsure due to the escalation of pricing on blacktop, the middle east oil issue is not helping. West Clove Mtn bridge is down to 1 late, guiderail is in disrepair on the south side.

**Animal Control Report, Submitted by ACO, Mary Jean Calvi**

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT FEBRUARY 2026**

During the month of February, there were one lost and two found dogs. There were 3 complaints.

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT March 2026**

During the month of March, there were two lost dogs and three found dogs. There were 2 complaints. Please make sure your dogs are wearing readable tags and/or their license tags. A found dog will be reunited with its owner much faster and potentially avoid spending a night in the shelter away from his family when we can easily identify the dog.

**ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT April 2026**

During the month of April, there were no lost dogs and one found dog who was later transferred to the town shelter. Two dogs were picked up from a motor vehicle accident and temporarily

cared for while the owner was transported to the hospital. There was one request from the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office for assistance and one complaint.

**Dutchess County Legislature Report, Joe Tresca**

Mr. Tresca informed the residents that the Minority Caucus submitted a resolution to support Senator Rob Rolinson's senate bill no. S8463 which would be a one-year tax cut on utility bills, and 2 year cut for the energy portion which would create a tax holiday. This was submitted to the floor for a memorialization, a letter of support, that would be sent to Albany which helps these bills get pushed through. However, the Chair of the Legislature denied the bill. Mr. Tresca urges the public the contact the DC Legislature to see this letter of support be put through for help with the energy bills they are facing.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items – None**

**RESOLUTION NO. 42 OF 2026 AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO HIGHWAY LAW § 284 (see attached)**

**Millennium Grant Services**

Supervisor Frazier advised that rates changed significantly, there was a flat rate, and \$150 hourly with a cap of \$7500 per grant to administer. The second meeting revealed a purchase of software of \$15,000 which would include the \$4000 access fee and \$500 monthly fee to administer which equals \$25,000 per year and no guarantee that we would be eligible or receive any grants. Supervisor Frazier thought this risk was too great as many appeal to larger towns with more resources and feels it would not be enough or frequent enough to make this logical. Town of Pawling is withdrawing their shared partnership based on these new figures. Councilman Redinger and Durland agreed that doing business with a company who drastically changes their fees in go faith is unacceptable. There was further discussion and all agreed it was disorganized and not worth the risk. Supervisor Frazier will continue to search for reasonable assistance for grant research.

**Motion to Table Millennium Grant Services**

Councilman McGivney made a motion to table Millennium Grant Services indefinitely, which was seconded by Councilman Harrington and all were unanimously in favor.

**Revisit Highway Radio Upgrade**

Supervisor Frazier reminded the Board that Councilman McGivney suggested to check into the radio tower the highway dept. transmits through. A1 Communications is the company who performs work on the tower on it and will send a report to the Town Board when completed.

**Brightly Software Proposal**

Supervisor Frazier sent the link to a webinar for the Board to review it in depth and see how it is employed. Millbrook School District uses it and thinks it is useful. They are willing to negotiation a start price.

Councilman Durland suggested a trial period at a reduce rate to test it to see if it is a good fit. All agreed a trial would be helpful to see if it will and can be used. Supervisor Frazier will follow up with the suggested idea and see what they say.

**Public Comment Town Issues – None**

**Approve Budget Adjustments, Transfers, Warrants, Pay Bills**

Councilman Harrington made a motion to pay the bills and which was seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were unanimously in favor.

**Executive Session** Councilman McGivney made a motion at 7:50pm to enter executive session to discuss legal advice regarding library litigation, which was seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were unanimously in favor.

**Executive Session** Councilman McGivney made a motion at 8:31pm to exit executive session to resume the regular meeting which was seconded by Councilman Redinger and all were unanimously in favor. Supervisor Frazier advised that no decisions were made and no money allocated.

Attorney Lindars explained the executive session was to discuss library litigation, there was a recent decision and order that was the subject matter in executive session. Pursuant to the

conversation had in executive session, the Board is prepared to proceed with an appeal and assign counsel to file the appeal and a resolution to follow.

**RESOLUTION NO. 43 OF 2026 APPOINTING SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE UNION VALE PUBLIC LIBRARY APPEAL** (see attached)

**Motion to Adjourn** At 8:36PM Councilman Durland made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were unanimously in favor.

Next Meeting is June 3, 2026 at 7:30PM

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Casey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Andrea Casey, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF UNION VALE TOWN BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 43 OF 2026**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR LEGAL SERVICES IN  
CONNECTION WITH THE UNION VALE PUBLIC LIBRARY APPEAL**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Union Vale previously appointed Ian C. Lindars, Esq. of Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & Iuele, LLP, in connection with an Article 78 proceeding commenced by The Board of Trustees of the Union Vale Public Library and the Union Vale Public Library against the Town of Union Vale, the Town Board of Union Vale and Steven Frazier in his official capacity as Supervisor of the Town of Union Vale; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 18, 2026, a Decision & Order was rendered in this matter; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intention of the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale to appeal this matter.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as follows:

1. The recitations set forth above are incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth and adopted herein.

2. The Town Board of the Town of Union Vale hereby appoints and retains Ian C. Lindars, Esq. of Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & Iuele, LLP, with offices at 1136 Route 9, Wappingers Falls, New York 12590 as Special Counsel for the purposes of conducting all Appellate matters in relation to the May 18, 2026 Decision & Order in the above matter including any motions to renew or reargue.

3. Ian C. Lindars, Esq. of Stenger, Glass, Hagstrom, Lindars & Iuele, LLP, shall be paid for such legal services in accordance with the Representation Letter submitted to the Town Board dated January 8, 2026.

INTRODUCED Councilman Harrington

SECONDED Supervisor Frazier

The foregoing resolution was put to a vote which resulted as follows:

Supervisor Frazier	Aye
Councilmember Durland	Abstain
Councilmember Harrington	Aye
Councilmember McGivney	Aye
Councilmember Redinger	Aye

Dated: Union Vale, New York  
May 20, 2026

  
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ANDREA CASEY, TOWN CLERK