

UNION VALE TOWN BOARD TOWN BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 16, 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

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 August 19, 2026 meeting minutes which was seconded by Councilman Harrington and all were unanimously in favor.

Supervisors Report

- Asked to add topic of UVFD report, motioned by Councilman McGivney, seconded by Councilman Harrington, all in favor.
- Finance Report **August 2026:** General Checking: \$756,023.00 MSC Receipts: \$11,932.00, General MM: \$141,458.00 General NYCLASS: \$2,826,233.00, General NYCLASS-Reserve: \$10,426.00 Total \$3,746,073.00
- Highway Checking: \$397,897.00, Highway MM: \$55,181.00, Highway NYCLASS: \$32,849.00, Highway New Acct for W. Clove Mtn Bridge: \$627,961.00, Equip Reserve \$243,179.00, total \$1,357,068.00 **Grand Total: \$5,103,141.00**
- Net income is favorable 350,000 vs budget due to timing of expenses, YTD revenues is up \$90K vs budget due to sales of highway surplus equipment, higher franchise fees, pool and facility rentals.
- Reminder for Oktoberfest this Sunday, September 20th 12 – 7:30pm
- Thank Finance office with assistance with the budget, preliminary budget will be prepared in the next few weeks with presentations to follow and public hearing as well and finalizing for November 20th

Board Member Reports

Councilman Redinger- thanks UVFD, he attended 911 ceremony and thank all who attended and remarked at the amount of people.

Councilman Harrington- thanked all the people that made the Balloon Festival a success and the amount of work that went into making it happen.

Councilman Durland- commented on the success of the Balloon Festival and encouraged all to attend

Councilman McGivney- spoke about the balloon festival he attended and he is amazed at their set up and take down and marvels at the pristine condition of the venue after the event. He also reminded residents to attend the Oktoberfest.

Town Clerk Report

Clerk Casey reminded residents Oktoberfest is a rain or shine event. The Recreation Department will also host a vaccine clinic on Friday, Sept. 25th, more information posted on Facebook. The Equestrian Center will host a horse show on Sunday, September 27th from 8am until days end, all are welcome to attend and the UVFD will serve food for purchase. Lastly DEC hunting licenses are on sale with the DMP lottery ending September 30th and reopening on November 1.

Highway Report

Superintendent Kading reported they are mowing roadsides for hopefully last day, cleaning ditches, trimming low hanging branches and winter prep for trucks along with all the day to day activities of the highway department.

Animal Control Report August 2026, submitted by ACO, Mary Jean Calvi

During the month of August, there were no lost or found dogs. There was one wildlife call and one mutual aid call from the Dutchess County Sheriff's Office.

Dutchess County Legislature Report

Legislator Tresca spoke about the MIG Grant, aka the municipal infrastructure grant, UV did receive \$20,000 for the addition of an ADA compliant door opening at Town Hall. Overall district wide, \$95,000 was given to the district as a whole. He also mentioned the homeless

shelter for Poughkeepsie was funded from the State, will include a 100 bed facility and other counseling services.

UVFD Report, submitted by PIO, Kathy Welsh

Touch a Truck Oct 24, 2026

The Union Vale Fire Company and the Town of Union Vale will hold a joint Touch a Truck event on Sat. Oct. 24 from 1 to 4 pm at Tymor Park. Rain date will be Sun. Oct. 25 (same time) Not only will there be fire trucks there will also be town trucks, commercial trucks and perhaps farm equipment as well! This will be a Halloween themed event and everyone is encouraged to come in costume! Candy will be handed out. And the public can vote for their favorite Halloween decorated truck for a People's Choice award. Any questions, please email: UVFDPIO@gmail.com

Public Comment on Agenda Items- None

New Business

JB's II liquor license Application

The restaurant asked for the waiver of the 30-day advance notice for their application to SLA. Supervisor Frazier also noted they have a restaurant in Baird Park.

Motion for waiver of 30 Day-Waiver for JB's II

Councilman Harrington made a motion to waive the 30-day waiting period for the State Liquor Authority License application. Councilman Durland seconded the motion noting all were unanimously in favor.

Planner Proposal for Master Plan/ Code Updates

Supervisor Frazier stated the planner sent the recommendations that arrived late this afternoon but he has forwarded to the Board for their review. It covers all the issues that were spoken about at a prior meeting, he asks for the Board to review and discuss at the next meeting. He also forwarded a prior proposal with recommendations they can make to the Planning and Zoning Boards in terms of forms and guidance for the members as well.

Resolution to Purchase Replacement Parks Mower – Supervisor Frazier noted there has been no data for this and trying to communicate with the co-op that is handling this and the representative is on vacation, there will be more info to follow.

Public Comment on Town Issues

Jean Moore, Darren Road, spoke about the longstanding library issue. She had asked the Town Board after the proposition on the ballot to formally vote to abolish the library which to her knowledge, was not done. She included a copies of Education Law 259 & 268 and feels the lease is invalid due to incorrect information such as the address.

Supervisor Frazier asked for a meeting with the Board of Education who has refused to meet with the Town and further promised to discuss this with the Town Attorney and do as he recommends.

Councilman Harrington pointed out the Town Board as a whole reallocated the funds and it was a unilateral decision.

Laura Lahay, S. Smith Road, she explained she is very agitated as a resident, taxpayer and elector. She noted that the vote was 2 to 1 in favor of not wanting the library. She referenced the current Article 78 questioning why it was cited there was no evidence to support the abolishment of the library and cannot understand the complete disregard for the voice of the public. She wants the Town to stand up for the voters wishes as was the sentiment of the ballot proposition and is very upset at the wasted taxpayer money caught up in this event.

Attorney Lindars responded. He agrees, there was a resolution, that was subject to this vote, the vote passed, which is the basis for not handing over the funds and this was unchallenged. The library responded and demanded the funds and filed an Article 78 to formally demand those funds. The Town is currently in the appeal process on the premise that the people of Union Vale voted the proposition and the sentiment was to abolish the library. Supervisor Frazier was under the impression due to the charter, the library must dissolve themselves to which Attorney Lindars agreed this is correct. And noted there are many outcomes

to this appeal and it all hinges upon the Courts decision. The timeline for the appeal is that is due in December 2026 and then it is scheduled according to the Court of Appeals.

Supervisor Frazier explained further that the Town is also very frustrated that the vote went unheard, he stated the library trustees should do the right thing and step down as a result of that vote but yet refuse and have the legal right not to due to the Charter. Supervisor Frazier assured the residents the library will continue to not be funded.

Approve Budget Adjustments, Transfers, Warrants, Pay Bills

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

Enter Executive Session Councilman McGivney made a motion at 7:58pm to enter executive session to discuss information relating to a current prosecution which was seconded by Councilman Redinger and all were unanimously in favor.

Exit Executive Session Councilman Harrington made a motion at 8:17pm to exit executive session to resume the regular meeting which was seconded by Councilman McGivney and all were unanimously in favor. Supervisor Frazier advised that no funds allocated and no decisions were made.

Motion to Adjourn At 8:18pm Councilman McGivney made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Councilman Durland and all were unanimously in favor.

Next Meeting is October 7th 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