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Town of East Fishkill
Dutchess County, New York
330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction,
New York 12533

**TOWN OF EAST FISHKILL
TOWN BOARD MEETING
February 12, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
AGENDA**

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor's Presentation

Supervisor's Announcements

Roll Call

Public Hearings

Approve Minutes

January 15, 2026

Announcement of Additions to the Agenda

Courtesy of the Floor

Receive and File

Resolutions:

- (1) Authorize Police Officers to Attend Training Program
- (2) Acknowledge the Hiring of Additional Seasonal Wingmen
- (3) Authorize Promotions in the Highway Department

- (4) Authorize to Advertise Bid for Town Wide Paving
- (5) Fill Vacancies on Assessment Review Board
- (6) Award Bid for Bulk Storage Tank Registrations
- (7) Refer a Request to the New York State Senator and Assemblyman to Designate a Portion of Route 376 as Veterans Memorial Highway
- (8) Authorize Town Clerk to Attend Town Clerk's Association Conference April 19-22, 2026
- (9) Set Dangerous Building Proceedings for March 26, 2026
- (10) Authorize Supervisor to Execute a Master Agreement with Energy Safety Response Group in Regard to Battery Storage
- (11) Authorize Emergency Replacement of Generator for Hopewell Hamlet Sewer District
- (12) Authorize Hamlet Sanitary Sewer Engineering Study
- (13) Authorize Solicitation for the Construction of the FEMA Woodmont Culvert Replacement Project

Additions to the Agenda by Majority Vote (If any)

Budget Transfers - Yes

Board Member Comments

Adjournment

Next Town Board Meetings: Workshop March 12, 2026
Regular Meeting March 26, 2026

RESOLUTION- XXX/2026

(AUTHORIZING TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR POLICE ASSISTANT)

WHEREAS, Chief Cuccia is requesting that Officer Bruce White and Officer Albert Taurone attend overnight trainings; and

WHEREAS, a training program is available for Officer Bruce White to attend an Active Shooter Training in Saratoga Springs, New York from February 17, 2026 through February 19, 2026; and

WHEREAS, a training program is available for Officer Albert Taurone to attend an Axon Conference/Records Training in Nashville, Tennessee from April 7, 2026 – April 10, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board to authorize the Supervisor to approve said traveling;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to send Officer White and Officer Taurone to attend the overnight trainings for the Active Shooter Training and Axon Conference/Records Training to be held out of the area requiring overnight stays; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred may be approved by the Supervisor for reimbursement by the Town.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION - XXX/2026

(ACKNOWLEDGE THE HIRING OF SEASONAL WINGMEN)

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has a need for Seasonal Wingmen; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that the Seasonal Wingmen positions are limited and seasonal; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has interviewed & hired Alison Gaston (Step 1) to be paid in accordance with the payroll schedule below; and

WINGMEN

| <u>Step</u> | <u>2026</u> |
|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 18.00 |
| 2 | 18.50 |
| 3 | 19.00 |
| 4 | 19.50 |
| 5 | 20.00 |

WHEREAS, that it may be necessary for the Highway Superintendent to hire additional Seasonal Wingmen throughout the season and will notify the Town Board of such hiring; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller be authorized to place them on Town payroll as Seasonal Wingmen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Highway Wingmen shall be seasonal employment and that upon completion of their task, they shall be removed from the payroll.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**



Town of East Fishkill - Highway Department
2484 Route 52
Hopewell Junction, New York 12533
Phone: 845-221-2681 Fax: 8454-226-6229

Kenneth Williams
Highway Superintendent

TO: East Fishkill Town Board
FROM: Kenneth Williams, Highway Superintendent
DATE: January 30, 2026

I, Kenneth Williams, respectfully request the East Fishkill Town Board recognize hiring of Alison Gaston as a wingperson for the East Fishkill Highway Department.

Thank you.

Kenneth Williams
East Fishkill Highway Superintendent

RESOLUTION-XXX/2026

(AUTHORIZE PROMOTIONS AT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has requested promotions within the Highway Department for the following employees: Joseph Angot to Senior Auto Mechanic; Ryan Rennhack to Head Groundsman; and Daniel Knapp and Joseph Pennachio to Construction Equipment Operator 2 (CEO2); and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has submitted a memo to the Town Board requesting these promotions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the promotions of Joseph Angot to Senior Auto Mechanic, Ryan Rennhack to Head Groundsman, and Daniel Knapp and Joseph Pennachio to Construction Equipment Operator 2 (CEO2) in the Highway Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Joseph Angot, Daniel Knapp and Joseph Pennachio will be paid in accordance with the current CSEA contract, effective February 12, 2026 with said compensation retroactive to January 1, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ryan Rennhack shall receive a stipend of \$2.00 per hour, effective February 12, 2026, retroactive to January 1, 2026.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**



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2484 Route 52
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Kenneth Williams
Highway Superintendent

TO: East Fishkill Town Board
FROM: Kenneth Williams, Highway Superintendent
DATE: January 30, 2026

I, Kenneth Williams, respectfully request the East Fishkill Town Board recognize the following promotions in the East Fishkill Highway Department:

*Joseph Angot to Senior Auto Mechanic
Daniel Knapp to Construction Equipment Operator II
Joseph Pennachio to Construction Equipment Operator II*

Additionally, please acknowledge the following stipend addition:
Ryan Rennhack for Head Groundsman.

Thank you.

Kenneth Williams
East Fishkill Highway Superintendent

RESOLUTION – XXX/2026

(AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR BLACK TOPPING)

WHEREAS, for many years, the Town of East Fishkill Highway Department has performed all repaving in house; and

WHEREAS, due to the current economic conditions, a review of the matter appears that it may be more cost effective and additional roads may be able to be paved should paving be bid out; and

WHEREAS, if the paving is done by an independent contractor, the existing highway forces can work on extensive drainage improvements that are planned by the Town Highway Superintendent which are necessary throughout the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has met with the Highway Superintendent and they are developing bid documents and standards; and

WHEREAS, a list of the roads to be paved is being assembled by the Highway Superintendent for further review by the Town Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Engineer and Highway Superintendent are hereby authorized to prepare bid specifications with respect to obtaining a contractor for laid-in-place asphalt services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon completion of said bid specifications and documents, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for these services with the advertisement for the bids taking place at least 21 days prior to the date set for the receipt of bids; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon the receipt of the opening of the bids by the Town Clerk, the Town Engineer and Highway Superintendent shall review the bids received and make further recommendation to this Board with respect to the award of the same.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION-XXX/2026

(APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW)

WHEREAS, under the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the Town Board designates and appoints all members of the Board of Review; and

WHEREAS, said Board of Review meets during the month of May and June to review assessment complaints filed with the board; and

WHEREAS, the Town Assessor has recommended Lisa Argyle be reappointed to the Board of Assessment review for a term of (5) five years and Trussie Taylor also be appointed with a term of (5) five years; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town Board to appoint said members;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Lisa Argyle be and hereby is reappointed as the Chair of the Board of Assessment Review and Trussie Taylor will be appointed to a (5) five year term as members of the Board of Assessment Review; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Lisa Argyle's term as Chair will expire on December 31, 2026 and term as member will expire on September 30, 2030. Trussie Taylor will expire on September 30, 2030.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION – XXX/2026

AWARD BID FOR BULK STORAGE TANK REGISTRATIONS

WHEREAS, a NYSEDEC has requested that the Town update and make current the petroleum storage tank registrations for both the Highway Garage facility and the Town Hall facility; and

WHEREAS, the Town has performed initial efforts to register the tanks as well as establish a compliance schedule with the NYSDEC. Per NYSDEC, the Town will need assistance from a certified environmental consultant; and

WHEREAS, this project's SEQR action is classified as a Type II action and requires no further action; and

WHEREAS, the Town solicited and received bids from three consultants; and

WHEREAS, the lowest, qualified bid was received by OPTIMA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares and Authorizes Nicholas D'Alessandro, Town Supervisor, be provided the authority to authorize a contract with Optima Environmental Services to perform PBS registrations not to exceed \$3,000.00.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**



Town of East Fishkill

Sewer and Water Department

330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, New York 12533

Telephone 845-223-5114

Engineer's Memo

Subject: Petroleum Bulk Storage Consultant

From: George Cronk, P.E.

Date: February 3, 2026

In 2024 the NYSDEC inspected the Town's fuel storage tanks. Subsequently, the Town received two notifications from the NYSDEC addressing the Highway Garage and Town Hall facilities various fuel storage tanks. Because each facility houses more than 1,100 gallons, the Town must keep all tanks registered with the NYSDEC. The Town last updated their annual registrations over 20 years ago. We are out of compliance and need to get all tanks registered ASAP. Further, many of our tanks are decades old and are not meeting today's storage standards including paint, labeling, venting, containment, etc.

The Town responded to NYSDEC in November/December 2024 with a work plan that will mitigate the various deficiencies sited by the NYSDEC. The plan provides a 3 step solution.

- Step 1 – Complete Registrations for 15 tanks.
- Step 2 – Replace selective “smaller” tanks. Repair/label/upgrade all other above ground tanks to meet standards.
- Step 3 – Remove and replace 3,000 gallon underground diesel tank located at the Highway Garage.

We received bids for Step 1 as follows;

| Bidder | Fee |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| American Petroleum | \$5,000 |
| Barton & Loguidice | \$10,000 |
| Optima Environmental Services | \$3,000 |

Once we complete Step 1 we will be able to prepare a tank program and cost estimate. We are hopeful to complete all three steps in 2026. We have spent 4 months seeking grants or other subsidize to offset the anticipated costs. Unfortunately, we have not identified any funding programs.

RESOLUTION- XXX/2026

**(A RESOLUTION REQUESTING CONSIDERATION TO
DESIGNATE A PORTION OF ROUTE 376 TO VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY)**

WHEREAS, the East Fishkill Veterans Committee has made a request to have a section of Route 376 between Route 82 and Route 52 designated as Veterans Memorial Highway; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of East Fishkill hereby requests that the New York State Department of Transportation designate this section of Route 376 as Veterans Memorial Highway; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this request be referred to Senator Rolison and Assemblyman Beephan for their authorization to designate a portion of Route 376 between Route 82 and Route 52 as Veterans Memorial Highway; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said change be made effective as soon as possible.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION=XXX/2026

(AUTHORIZE ATTENDANCE AT THE NEW YORK STATE TOWN CLERKS ASSOCIATION)

WHEREAS, the New York State Town Clerks Association Conference conducts their annual meeting and training sessions in Albany April 19, 2026 to April 22, 2026; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby authorize the Town Clerk, approved by the Town Supervisor, to attend the New York State Clerks Association Conference held in Albany April 19, 2026 to April 22, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the expenses to the Town will be for the registration, lodging, meals, and tolls.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION-XXX/2026

(SETTING DANGEROUS PROPERTY OWNERS HEARING)

WHEREAS, the property located at 1486 Route 82 has been determined to be dangerous under NYS and Local Dangerous Buildings Law; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has the right to submit information to the Town Board before the Town Board orders demolition or other action with respect to the property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board will hold a hearing for the owner of the above property to address the issues raised in the original Notice to them at the Town Board Hearing to be held on March 26, 2026 at 6:00PM; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Notice be sent to the property owner listed on the assessment records by Certified Mail and that a copy be posted on the site.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION – XXX-2026

(DESIGNATING CONSULTANT FOR PLANNING BOARD, ETC.)

WHEREAS, in order to have professional guidance available for any possible Battery Storage application that may be filed; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to enter into a Master Agreement with Energy Safety Response Group at this time so as to prevent any conflicts developing; and

WHEREAS, if an application is filed a purchase order will then be entered into for the required service which is paid from any applicants escrow account; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorize to execute a Master Agreement with Energy Safety Response Group.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION-XXX/2026

(DECLARE EMERGENCY GENERATOR REPLACEMENT)

WHEREAS, the Town operates the Hamlet Sewer District that supports the Town Center and some adjacent residences; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer District includes four (4) pump stations, each including a generator for emergency power during a power outage preventing effluent discharge onto the ground; and

WHEREAS, the generator located at the intersection of Rt 376 and Rt 82 (AKA East Fishkill Eye Care) has failed and is not repairable, causing the need for immediate replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Town sought three (3) proposals for the replacement of the generator and has identified Gentech LTD as the lowest, competent bidder with a fee of \$35,590; and

WHEREAS, the Central Hudson has offered to provide natural gas service at no charge. However, the Town must provide the excavation and restoration for the service line; and

WHEREAS, this is a Type II SEQR classification and no further SEQR action is needed; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, the Town authorizes funding from the Hamlet Sewer District in the amount of \$35,590 and \$15,000 allowance for the replacement of the failed generator; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares and authorizes Town Supervisor, Nicholas D'Alessandro, be provided the authority to authorize a contract with Gentech LTC for an amount not to exceed \$35,590.00.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**

RESOLUTION-XXX/2026

(AUTHORIZE ENGINEERING STUDY FOR SANITARY SEWER)

WHEREAS, the Town operates the Hamlet Wastewater Treatment Plant that supports the Town Center and some adjacent residences, including the Hopewell Glen; and

WHEREAS, the WWTP has a permitted capacity of nearly 500,000 GPD and is currently receiving about 125,000 GPD of effluent; and

WHEREAS, it is unclear how the collection system could best support additional sanitary flow in order to maximize the available WWTP capacity, thus creating the need to perform an analysis of the collection system; and

WHEREAS, the Town sought four proposals of engineering services from four consultants previously identified via the 2024 Engineering RFQ, and has identified MJ Engineering, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Land Surveying, PC to support this evaluation for a fee of \$17,800.00; and

WHEREAS, this is a Type II SEQR classification and no further SEQR action is needed; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, the Town allocates up to \$25,000.00 for professional engineering services for the initial evaluation and limited follow up services; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby declares and authorizes Town Supervisor, Nicholas D'Alessandro, be provided the authority to authorize a contract with MJ Engineering, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, DPC for an amount not to exceed \$17,800.00.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**



Town of East Fishkill

Sewer and Water Department

330 Route 376, Hopewell Junction, New York 12533

Telephone 845-223-5114

Engineer's Memo

Subject: Hamlet Sanitary Collection System Analysis

From: George Cronk, P.E.

Date: February 2, 2026

The Town operates the Hopewell Hamlet Waste Water Treatment Plant that supports the downtown commercial area and residential homes, including the Hopewell Glen subdivision. The treatment plant was designed to accommodate around 500,000 GPD and is receiving about 125,000 gpd. It is unclear where the contributing pipe collection system can support the 500,000 gpd flow. The Town will need to know the viability of future projects proposed connection locations.

We sought proposal from four (4) of our pre-qualified engineering consultants. The table below includes the firms and their proposal fee.

Figure 1: Consultant and Fee Summary

| Consultant | Fee |
|--------------------|---------------|
| WSP USA Inc | \$ 79,900 |
| Barton & Loguidice | \$ 38,100 |
| MJ Engineering | \$ 17,800 |
| CPL | No Submission |

We are respectfully recommending that MJ Engineering be selected for this analysis. Although the initial proposal of services is for \$17,800, we envision that the study may lead to the need for some further investigation and we are recommending that the approved budget is set to \$25,000.

Please note, MJ Engineering is currently working with the Town on the VFW Park project. CPL elected not to respond to the request.

RESOLUTION – XXX/2026

ADVERTISE FOR FEMA WOODMONT CULVERT REPLACEMENT

WHEREAS, a flooding event occurred in the Summer of 2023 that caused deterioration of the Woodmont Road 5 Ft diameter metal culvert located near the intersection of Woodmont Rd and Miller Hill Rd.; and

WHEREAS, the Town Staff has consulted with FEMA to determine the extents of storm damage, eligible project costs, and additional paperwork needed to reimburse 75% of the project costs and further consulted with New York State to receive an additional 12.5% project cost reimbursement; and

WHEREAS, FEMA has authorized the replacement and upgrade of the culvert with a cost not to exceed up to \$840,713.00. Of which, the Town is to provide 12.5% (\$105,089.13). The Town's portion can be provided in payment to consultants/contractors and/or in-kind services; and

WHEREAS, this project's SEQR action is classified as a Type II action and requires no further action; and

WHEREAS, the Town will need to follow New York State Procurement Laws and publicly advertise and solicit bids for the construction of the culvert replacement.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Supervisor and Town Clerk be and hereby are authorized to advertise for CULVERT REPLACEMENT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said responses shall be received and evaluated by the Supervisor and Town Engineer so that a recommendation be provided to the Town Board for authorization at a future meeting.

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
PETER J. CASSIDY, TOWN CLERK**

**DATED: FEBRUARY 12, 2026
EAST FISHKILL, NY**