

TOWN OF FREETOWN
2369 McGraw Marathon Rd
Marathon, NY 13803
June 16, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of Freetown, NY, was held on June 16th, 2026, at the Town Hall. Supervisor Dylan Barber called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Dylan Barber, Town Supervisor
Julie Conklin, Councilperson
Heidi Alnutt, Councilperson
Daniel Tillotson, Councilperson

Absent: Shelli Cross, Town Secretary

Recording Secretary: Laura Padbury, Town Bookkeeper

Others Present: KJ Alnutt, John Slocum

Pledge of Allegiance

The financial report was handed out.

Highway update: Received CHIPS budget 26-27 Appropriation \$198,448.05 and Roller over of \$17,906.02 totaling \$216,354.07. CHIPS will be spent on Cold Mix Paving Irish Hill and Phalen Rd and Oil & Stoning 2.4 miles of Town roads (Stone/Merrihew/Pine Hill/Underwood Hill). Cold mix paving of Irish Hill Rd. and Phalen Rd, has been completed, will be repairing shoulders. Sand Sealing will start next week. Doing some ditch work as weather allows, hauling in gravel for Oil & Stoning and mowing roadsides.

OPEN FLOOR: Discussion on repairs to Merrihew Rd. KJ explained how it works using the CHIPS budget, such as the age of the road. After the CHIPS money (grant money from NY state) has been used on a road, we can't use CHIPS money on that road again for 10 years. KJ would rather spend Town funds on Oil & Stone and use CHIPS money on paving.

Old Business:

Supervisor Barber is still in negotiations with the Union Rep for Highway Employees; health insurance is an issue.

May's Amnesty Day cost the Town \$700.00 for dumpsters, and Supervisor Barber asked the Board if the Town should do another one this year. Will discuss at a later date.

The new recycling trailer is ready to ship.

Discussed the Salt/Sand storage shed. Soil & Water will put project out to bid tomorrow. Once bids are received, they will give to Town to open. The Town was given a grant (\$170,000) In addition to the grant; the Town will use \$20,000 from the savings account along with ARPA fund of \$57,000 the project needs to be completed this year. KJ asked if a building permit needs to be issued for the shed.

Community Sales are July 11th, forms available on the Town website.

Building permit fee is now being calculated by square footage not cost of project.

New Business:

People have been inquiring about booking the park. Can't find any historical data on how much the Town has been charging for use of the park.

Someone stole fuel from the fuel tanks; it was suggested that the town should install cameras. KJ has installed a trail camera temporarily. A lock has also been installed.

Need to fix DPW number on board out front of office.

Motion 1: Made by Councilperson Dan Tillotson, seconded by Councilperson Julie Conklin to approve the April 2026 meeting minutes with changes, Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

Motion 2: Made by Councilperson Heidi Alnutt, seconded by Councilperson Dan Tillotson to approve the May 2026 meeting minutes. Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

Motion 2: Made by Supervisor Dylan Barber, seconded by Councilperson Dan Tillotson to approve paying the bills for the General account in the amount of \$19,609.86. Motion Approved; All in attendance in favor.
Vouchers starting #74 - #86

Motion 3: Made by Supervisor Dylan Barber, seconded by Councilperson Dan Tillotson to approve paying the bills for the Highway account in the amount of \$133,658.16. Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.
Vouchers starting #40 - #45

Motion 4: Made by Councilperson Heidi Alnutt, seconded by Councilperson Dan Tillotson to adopt \$20.00 fee to use the town park. Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

Motion 5: Made by Supervisor Dylan Barber, seconded by Councilperson Heidi Alnutt to adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm. Motion approved; All in attendance in favor.

2026 Vouchers starting #74 - #86
(A) General: \$19,609.42

2026 Vouchers starting #40 - #45
(DA) Highway: \$133,673.16

Votes: Councilpersons: All in attendance in favor.

Laura Padbury,
The meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm