

York Town Board Meeting
November 5th, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisor Gerald L. Deming, Councilmen: John Morgan, Amos Smith, and Frank Rose Jr.

Absent: Jason Swede.

Others: Dwight Kanyuck (Town Attorney), Tara Johnson, George Worden Jr. (Highway Supt), Dustin Geiger, Frances & Neil Frood, Sue Ackley, Cecilia & David Deuel, Cindy Pond and Carl Peter.

Supervisor Deming opened the Town Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. and invited Councilman Morgan to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve the minutes of the October 14th Budget Hearing & the October 14th Regular meeting. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

BILLS:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Mr. Smith to approve all claims brought before the Board. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

• General Fund Claim	#291- 313	\$ 9,774.92
• Consolidated Water/Sewer	#290 - 309	\$40,249.96
• Highway Fund	#190 - 205	\$31,037.77

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR:

1)David Deuel:

Mr. Deuel asked to speak with the Board this evening regarding an update on the recent meeting pertaining to food insecurity in our community.

Mr. Deuel began by saying that he was aware of the Rt. 36 railroad crossing being fixed but wondered if Rt. 20 was also on the books as well. Supervisor Deming replied he was informed that Craig Road and Telephone Road should be addressed shortly.

Mr. Deuel stated that last spring he came to the Town Board to share concerns about HR1, the Federal Budget proposal and how it impacts York residents. The response at the time was to wait and see and did not take action at that time. Mr. Deuel believes that we now have the answers, especially after this past month. We can no longer say that the

actions of the Federal government do not impact the quality of life to York residents ability to pay bills, such as housing, food, utilities and medical.

The primary topic tonight is to address food insecurity in the Towns of York & Leicester and the YCS district. We had a local meeting on this subject, with the most recent one taking place on October 28th, Franny Frood will be giving more details on this with her Privileges of the Floor shortly.

Through this process we have begun participating with the Livingston County Food Security Coalition. Organized and facilitated by the Liv. Co. Dept. of Social Services and the Dept. of Health, comprised of over 40 programs throughout the county, a number of connections to Foodlink, some of which are County run & funded. The majority of funding comes from private donations and run entirely by volunteers.

Mr. Deuel stated that tomorrow morning he & others will be attending a meeting in Mt. Morris to address the issues and challenges the 6,000 Livingston County SNAP recipients are facing due to the current loss of funding.

Mr. Deuel expressed to the board that he cannot say enough about the professionalism and dedication he has witnessed from the County employees working on this issue.

Mr. Deuel quoted President Franklin Roosevelt by saying, “The test of our progress is not whether we add to the abundance of those who have too much; it is whether we provide enough for those in need.” He also quoted the Dalai Lama who put it simply, “Our prime purpose in this life is to help others.”

Mr. Deuel concluded by saying he is willing to meet with anyone at any time to discuss these issues.

2) Fran Frood

This is a report on the Food Programs in YCSD.

In February of 2022, during COVID, I suffered a heart attack and then scheduled for open heart surgery. I met the surgeon on the day Russia invaded Ukraine.....

I have done a lot of crying BUT here is the good news, I HAVE HOPE!!!

I believe we are called to help one another.

Because of the chance to work with area groups addressing food insecurity, I have learned the following:

1. There are many people working very hard to bring food to and communicate with those individuals and families experiencing food insecurity. And now due to the SNAP benefit cuts, where help can be obtained for example I just received an email from Margaret Betette, Director of Community Health...
2. At the request of the Town Board, a group of 31 people gathered at the Town Hall to discuss programs available to residents in the YCSD. These included State Officials, Town Officials, County workers and volunteers in food programs. A follow-up meeting was held to broaden the understanding of these programs.
3. The results: a very humble but important list of area food programs has been presented to you with the request the flyer be placed on the Town's website and hard copies be placed at the front desk.
4. All the programs provide food BUT only one program can be reached at anytime. The York Food Pantry started 50 years ago and has been cared for by Irene Sick who has purchased food, stocked shelves, received calls and often delivered to those in need. What a gift!
5. As a volunteer for the Christmas Sharing program, I would like to extend an invitation to the next food delivery on November 22nd. Come help and see how this program works. Since September the cost of the 2 grocery bags of food delivered has risen from \$60 to \$75. The average age of the volunteers is over 70 and some young strength would be welcomed.

I believe we are called to help and hope more and more answer the call.

ORGANIZATION	LOCATION	CONTACT PERSON	CONTACT NUMBER	HOURS	DESCRIPTION
Leicester Food Pantry	Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church 161 Main Street Leicester, NY	Carol Griffen	245-3448	M, W, F 3-5pm by appointment	once a month emergency food for Town of Leicester residents
York Food Pantry	York United Presbyterian Church 2662 Main St York, NY	Irene Sick Franny Froot	243-2199 243-2673	any time	once a month emergency food for Town of York residents
YCS Food Pantry	York Central School	contact your child's counselor or administrator	243-1730 ext 2114	school hours 8am to 3pm	family must have child in school
Avon PUP check food link website	East Avon Fire Department 1615 West Henrietta Rd East Avon, NY		foodlinkny.org	10 am last Friday of the month until food is gone	open to all
Dansville PUP check food link website	Dansville / Noyes Health PUP 9384 Main Street Dansville, NY		foodlinkny.org	4 pm Third Monday of the month until food is gone	open to all
Nunda PUP check food link website	Nunda Town Highway Department 1955 Hay Road Nunda, NY		foodlinkny.org	10am 2nd and 4th Friday of every month until food is gone	open to all
Mt. Morris Food PUP check food link website	Mt. Morris PUP inside closed Save-A-Lot 15 East State St Mt. Morris, NY		foodlinkny.org	dates vary	open to all
York Backpack Program	YCS delivered to home via the school bus	YCS contact your child's counselor or administrator		once a week while school is in session	weekly bag of emergency weekend food for each child in YCS family that they can prepare themselves
Christmas Sharing Program	York United Presbyterian Church York, NY	Franny Froot	243-2673	request to be added to program by calling anytime	families and individuals apply at Christmas time for toys, clothing and food
MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON: livingstoncountyny.gov and FOOD LINK: foodlinkny.org					

Contact number for Town of York Food Programs.

Make check payable to:

Christmas Sharing Program
c/o Franny Frood
PO Box 188
York, NY 14592

York Food Pantry
Atten: Irene Sick
c/o York United Presbyterian Church
PO Box 411
York, NY 14592

York Backpack Program
c/o Franny Frood
PO Box 188
York, NY 14592

Mrs. Frood commented that we are always looking for volunteers to assist us with the very worthwhile work. The regular food delivery is the last Saturday of each month, and currently we have been assisting 45 families. Mrs. Frood inquired if it would be possible to post pantry and Christmas sharing information on the town's website.

The Board agreed that adding the information to the town site will make it easier for those who may need assistance & those who wish to donate.

Mrs. Frood and Mr. Deuel thanked the board and stated they are looking forward to continuing the important work for the coalition.

HIGHWAY:

Mr. Worden reported the following for the Highway Department:

- Paving took place on part of Retsof Road to Dow Rd., Dow Rd. to Rt. 36, Federal Rd. to Dow Rd. and some spots on Batzing Road
- Wedging on part of Simpson Road
- Preparing the trucks for the winter season, which may be here by early next week

WATER/SEWER:

Mr. Worden reported the following for the Water & Sewer Department:

- We have 2 fully licensed Water & Sewer Operators, Mr. Graves & Mr. Grant have both been doing a great job and are now officially certified Water Operators.
- Sewer class for both gentlemen will be at the end of the year. The refresher class that they signed up for in Morrisville was unfortunately canceled. Paul and Uly will be studying on their own. Mr. Worden stated that he spoke with JP from Clark Patterson to see if he may have a person at CPL that the gentlemen could utilize for any potential questions prior to the sewer test, which they do have.

Mr. Worden stated that we are preparing the sewer plant for the winter. The UV Disinfection has been taken down.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) CPL Engineering agreement
 - a-Retsof Sewer

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith & Seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve the following:

This is **EXHIBIT K**, consisting of 2 pages, referred to in and part of the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services dated May 12, 2020

AMENDMENT TO OWNER-ENGINEER AGREEMENT
Amendment No. 2

The Effective Date of this Amendment is: October 30, 2025.

Background Data

Effective Date of Owner-Engineer Agreement: May 12, 2020

Owner: Town of York

Engineer: CPL

Project: Retsof Sewer

Nature of Amendment:

Additional Services to be performed by Engineer

Description of Modifications:

See the attached letter.

Agreement Summary:

Original agreement amount:	\$198,300
Net change for prior amendments:	\$34,400
This amendment amount:	\$30,870
Adjusted Agreement amount:	\$263,570

The foregoing Agreement Summary is for reference only and does not alter the terms of the Agreement, including those set forth in Exhibit C.

Owner and Engineer hereby agree to modify the above-referenced Agreement as set forth in this Amendment. All provisions of the Agreement not modified by this or previous Amendments remain in effect.

OWNER: Town of York

ENGINEER: CPL

By: Gerald Deming
Print: Gerald Deming
name: _____
Title: Supervisor

Date Signed: 11-5-2025

By: 
Print: Eric Wies
name: _____
Title: Vice President

Date Signed: _____



July 7, 2025

Gerald Deming, Supervisor
Town of York
2668 Main Street
York, NY 14592

RE: TOWN OF YORK – RETSOF SEWER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS

Dear Supervisor Deming:

The construction related to the Town of York Retsof Sewer District Improvement project is nearing completion. We anticipate that the punch list will be wrapped up in the next couple months, along with the final projects close-out paperwork.

Our fees for the project were outlined in the attached proposal dated April 16, 2020, and Amendment #1 dated March 25, 2024. The purpose of Amendment #1 was to address additional CPL fees related to project re-design that resulted in a lower construction cost, and to address fees related to CPL's assistance with private property coordination. The original fees and those added via Amendment #1 are shown below:

Task	Original	Amendment 1
Study & Report Phase	\$6,500	\$6,500
Preliminary & Final Design	\$89,000	\$95,000
Bidding	\$6,000	\$8,000
Construction Administration	\$32,000	\$32,000
<u>Construction Observation</u>	\$64,800	\$91,200
TOTAL	\$198,300	\$232,700

Throughout the construction process there have been additional engineering-related tasks that were requested by the Town that were outside of the scope of work for CPL. Those tasks along with the associated fees are as follows:

1. CPL was asked by the Town to assist with the review of the plans submitted by LaBella related to the replacement of the gas mains in the project area, to ensure the Town assets were protected and proper coordination occurred. This included several phone calls with representatives from RG&E and LaBella, attendance at a Town Board meeting, and the development of a permit process. The CPL team spent 32 hours, resulting in a fee of \$4,800.
2. The project included grant funding that needed to be allocated, resulting in the Town requesting additional work from the contractor to utilize those funds. The resulting



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change order included an additional 578' of lining. The CPL team spent 10 hours obtaining approvals for the work from the funding agency, coordinating with the Town and contractor, and processing the associated change order, resulting in a fee of \$1,200.

3. The Town requested that CPL provide assistance with obtaining easements related to the existing sanitary sewer and the proposed storm water piping, including the backlots section. This included mapping along with meetings with property owners. The CPL team spent 96 hours on this task for a total of \$11,520.
4. The Town requested CPL's involvement with the stormwater design and layout, which was originally supposed to be completed by the Highway Department. This included significant effort related to backlots section to NYS Route 63. The CPL team spent 65 hours on this task for a total of \$9,750.
5. During construction the Town asked for a change related to the pump station that required a redesign, permitting, and additional fees. This included the transition from a below ground valve vault to an aboveground structure. The CPL team spent 24 hours on this task for a total of \$3,600.

The original fees and those added via Amendment #1 are shown below:

Task	Original	Amendment 1	Amendment 2
Study & Report Phase	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$6,500
Preliminary & Final Design	\$89,000	\$95,000	\$125,870
Bidding	\$6,000	\$8,000	\$8,000
Construction Administration	\$32,000	\$32,000	\$32,000
Construction Observation	\$64,800	\$91,200	\$91,200
TOTAL	\$198,300	\$232,700	\$263,570

Please find attached formal Amendment #2 for approval and signature. Please email me an executed copy when available.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, we would be happy to meet with you at any time to discuss in detail.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric C. Wies'.

Eric C. Wies, P.E.
Senior Vice President

Voted on and approved. Yes-4, No-0

2) Intermunicipal Agreement for Equipment:

RESOLUTION offered by Councilman Rose & Seconded by Councilman Smith to extend the Intermunicipal Agreement for equipment, machinery, tools and service sharing for a period of one year. Term: January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026. Voted on and approved. Yes-4, No-0.

3) Water Service Shut-off

a)Angela Stokes

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith & Seconded by Mr. Rose to approve the water service shut-off application submitted by Angela Stokes for property located at 2526 Main Street. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

4) Water Tap application

a)Jacob Koch

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Rose & Seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve the water tap application submitted by Jacob Koch for property located at 1525 Linwood Road. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

5) Water Service Shut-off

a)Fred Hyatt

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith & Seconded by Mr. Morgan to approve the water service shut-off application for property located at 2105 MacIntyre Road. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0

Clerk Harris suggested that the water be shut off to this parcel due to the fact that no one is in the home & winter is approaching, we do not want a break to occur and lose any water.

ADJOURNMENT:

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Smith & Seconded by Mr. Rose to adjourn the Town Board meeting until December 2nd. Voted on and approved, Yes-4, No-0.

Town Board meeting closed at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine M. Harris

Christine Harris, Clerk