

TOWN OF COEYMANS MEETING MINUTES

April 14, 2026 6:00PM

A Town Board Meeting was held Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 6:00p.m. at 18 Russell Avenue, Ravena N.Y.

PRESENT: Stephen Donnelly, Supervisor
Michael J. Stott, Deputy Supervisor
Stephen J. Schmitt, Council Member
Patricia Grogan, Council Member

ALSO PRESENT: Candace McHugh, Town Clerk
Richard C. Reilly, Town Attorney
Michael Ravalli, Jr., Town Attorney

Supervisor Donnelly opened the meeting and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. He asked that the record reflect all board members were present. A thank you was expressed the Bank of Greene County for their sponsorship of the Coeymans Farmer's Market.

Approval of Minutes: The following minutes were approved:

- March 26, 2026 Audit and Workshop
- March 31, 2026 Town Board Meeting

Council member Donnelly made a motion to accept the minutes for March 26 & 31, 2026 Town Board Meeting and Council member Stott seconded the motion.

APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – ABSTAIN - SO MOVED

Old Business:

Transportation Terminals/ Local Contractor Yard Definitions. Supervisor Donnelly stated that the board had left off by looking into the required acreage and if ownership is required. The Town Attorney is researching the ownership portion. Supervisor Donnelly asked if the board was comfortable discussing the size restriction. Council members feel it is reasonable to use the same requirement as a building lot which is 1.8 acres. Council member Schmitt suggested adding a special use permit to the Local Contractor yard.

Rural Event Center Definition. The town attorney asked if the board wanted them to progress with this. Council member Schmitt felt 10 acres minimum might be excessive and should be reduced. Setbacks were discussed as well. It is required as a special use permit to allow the PBZBA to look at an application closely.

Truck Traffic Discussion. Supervisor Donnelly emailed Nick Laraway at the request of the board. He has also reached out to Albany County Legislator Zach Collins too. He stated his office and the building department are currently taking inventory of the Industrial Park. He is also working with the sewer department to gain access to the industrial park to inspect sewer

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lines. Supervisor Donnelly stated there will be a meeting of stakeholders at the Coeymans Firehouse in the morning regarding Amrize traffic. Attorney Rich Reilly stated NYS DEC has an application before them regarding the potential road on 101. It is being called an informational gathering dealing with the SEQRA review of the new hauling road. Council member Schmitt clarified Mr. Laraway was contacted regarding the NY FAST Grant which was in response to Mr. Laraway’s request to be on the agenda. The Supervisor stated Mr. Laraway is welcome anytime. Council member Grogan stated she wants him specifically on the agenda. Council member Schmitt asked who would be officially reaching out to Mr. Laraway, the supervisor stated his office can do that. The Supervisor stated he has reached out to several entities for more information regarding the Albany County Road Study and has not received answers. Council member Grogan and Schmitt agreed more information is needed, in particular, clarification if North and South Jarvis are included in the study. It was requested by the board to get an estimate on the amount it would cost to include North and South Jarvis in the Lansing Road study should the board approve it.

Resolutions

Resolution # 070 - Justice Audit for Judge Eissing

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Grogan offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board must complete or have completed an audit, in accordance with Town Law Section 123 and Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act, of all Town Justices; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has adopted an audit procedure, based on the Local Management Guide, Fiscal Oversight Responsibilities, published by the State of New York Office of the State Comptroller on May 14, 2007, to be applied to the records of each Town Justice; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has completed the Audit of March 10, 2026

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the records of Town Justice Tammy Eissing have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

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<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Stephen Donnelly	See attached checklist/comments
Michael J. Stott	See attached checklist/comments
Stephen J. Schmitt	See attached checklist/comments
Patricia Grogan	See attached checklist/comments

Seconded by Council member Stott, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 071 - Justice Audit for Justice Frese

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Grogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Stott offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board must complete or have completed an audit, in accordance with Town Law Section 123 and Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act, of all Town Justices; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has adopted an audit procedure, based on the Local Management Guide, Fiscal Oversight Responsibilities, published by the State of New York Office of the State Comptroller on May 14, 2007, to be applied to the records of each Town Justice; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has completed the Audit of March 10, 2026

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the records of Town Justice Thomas Frese have been reviewed by the following reviewers and have concluded as follows:

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<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Conclusion</u>
Stephen Donnelly	See attached checklist/comments
Michael J. Stott	See attached checklist/comments
Stephen J. Schmitt	See attached checklist/comments
Patricia Grogan	See attached checklist/comments

Seconded by Council member Donnelly, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 072 – Approve Extension of Ravena Rescue Squad Agreement (3 months)

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Donnelly offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans (the "Town") is permitted by virtue of Section 122-B of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York to provide emergency ambulance service for the purpose of treating and transporting sick and injured persons found within its boundaries to an acute care hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Town previously entered into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the Ravena Rescue Squad has been to provide such ambulance service to the Town pursuant to the said provision of law; and

WHEREAS, the said Agreement, by its terms, expired on December 31, 2025 and the Town has been in active negotiations with Ravena Rescue Squad for a successor agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board previously extended the Agreement for a period of three (3) months to allow for the finalization of those negotiations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board continues to seek additional information from the Ravena Rescue Squad in connection with the negotiations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans hereby authorizes Supervisor Stephen Donnelly to execute a further extension to the current

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Agreement with the Ravena Rescue Squad for an additional three (3) month period, so as to prevent disruption of emergency medical services to the residents of the Town, and to allow the parties sufficient time to enter into a successor agreement.

Seconded by Council member Schmitt, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Council member Schmitt asked if there was an estimated date of completion for this agreement. The Supervisor has asked for quarterly reports and a budget from the rescue squad. Council member Schmitt met with members of the district last week regarding the formation of an ambulance district. He asked if the board would welcome them attending on the 14th if they have a budget set. Council member Schmitt asked the town attorney to provide an estimate of the potential cost for their services. A Budget is necessary to move forward. It was discussed if a new member of the board would like to join the committee to replace Mr. Hotaling. Council member Grogan offered to help.

Resolution # 073 – Approve Execution of CSEA Agreement

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Grogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Schmitt offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans undertook negotiations with Civil Service Employees Association, Inc. Local 1000, AFGCME/AFL-CO (Town of Coeymans Unit 601600 Albany Court Local 801) ("CSEA") for an agreement to succeed the contract that expired December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Town and CSEA have negotiated a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") between the parties for the period of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby approve the Memorandum of Agreement and authorizes Supervisor Stephen Donnelly to sign the same.

Seconded by Council member Grogan, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

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Resolution # 074 – Authorize Intermunicipal Agreement with Westerlo for Kennel Use

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Grogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Grogan offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Westerlo desires to obtain the service and use of the Town of Coeymans' dog Kennel to perform its obligation under the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans desires to permit the Town of Westerlo's use of its municipal dog Kennel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans approves, and authorizes the Town Supervisor, Stephen Donnelly, to sign, the Intermunicipal Dog Kennel Agreement and Memorandum annexed hereto.

Seconded by Council member Stott, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Council member Stott stated this is a great opportunity to help another municipality. Council member Schmitt asked for indemnification to be confirmed. The resolution was approved pending further inspection needed by the Attorney.

Resolution # 075 – Approve Hiring of Seasonal Laborers

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Stott offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Parks Department is in need of hiring seasonal laborers for spring and summer; and

WHEREAS, applications were received and reviewed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Spencer Cumm to a seasonal Laborer position effective April 20, 2026 through October 1, 2026 at the rate of \$18.00 per hour.

Seconded by Council member Donnelly, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Resolution # 076 – Approve Part Time Floater Clerks

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Donnelly offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans is desirous of hiring part-time "floater" Clerks, to assist in various Departments as needed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby appoint Ava Bryant, ~~Scott~~ Shane DeRose and Nancy Graves as part-time Clerks at an hourly rate of \$20.20, on an as-needed basis, effective immediately.

Seconded by Council member Donnelly, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

- A Motion was made by Council member Stott to Correct the first name of Mr. DeRose which should be Shane. This was seconded by Council member Grogan, all were in favor

Discussion: Council member Schmitt asked about the hourly rate difference between floaters and seasonal laborers. It was stated that this should be discussed further during budget time to be fairer. Council member Schmitt asked why we needed part timers during the summer and not all year round. It was explained that Shane has experience in mapping type program and can help the assessment department enter all this information into the new mapping system. Ms. Bryant will

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be working with the Farmer’s Market and has experience in this. Mrs. Graves will be helping organize the sewer department files as she does most summers.

Resolution # 077 – Approve Joralemon Park Lichen Study

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Grogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Donnelly offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has been contacted by a botanist Skye van der Laan, who is conducting a study of lichens in the vicinity of Joralemon Park; and

WHEREAS, Ms. van der Laan has requested permission to include Joralemon Park in her survey and study;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans authorizes Ms. van der Laan to include Joralemon Park in her survey and study, and to collect lichen samples from the park in connection with same.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Ms. Van der Laan, and any person(s) assisting her, shall be required to sign and provide to the Town a waiver and hold harmless agreement prior to commencing any survey work in the park.

Seconded by Council member Donnelly, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Joralemon park has some unique species and is a great place to study Lichens.

Resolution # 078 – Adoption of Section 3 Plan and Coordinator

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Grogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Grogan offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has received a \$2,000,000 grant from the New York State Office of Homes and Community Renewal (OCR) for a community development block grant pursuant to Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, for the Sewer System Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (“Section 3”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of “Section 3” is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by certain federal assistance, including assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or HUD assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low-and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing; and

WHEREAS, Part 135 of Section 3 is to establish the standards and procedures to be followed to ensure that the objectives of Section 3 are met; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Coeymans has developed a Section 3 Plan in adherence to 24 CFR, Part 135 that comprehensively addresses the standards and procedures prescribed in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Section 3 Plan has been reviewed by the Town of Coeymans; and

WHEREAS, the Section 3 plan is in compliance with 24 CFR 85.36; and

WHEREAS, it will be the job of the Section 3 Coordinator to prepare, implement and undertake certain plans and procedures to facilitate compliance with Section 3 to the greatest extent feasible, now therefore

BE IT SOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Town of Coeymans to adopt and implement the Section 3 Plan to ensure compliance with Federal Law and to designate Stephen Donnelly, Town Supervisor, as the Section 3 Coordinator for the Town.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that is Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Council member Stott, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Council has reviewed the document and is somewhat relying on the expertise of the engineering department for this. Council member Schmitt inquired how the specifics are tracked. It was explained this will happen during the bidding process and is monitored by the engineers.

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Resolution # 079 – Budget Transfer

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Aye</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
Stephen Donnelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michael J. Stott	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen J. Schmitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Patricia Grogan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Council member Stott offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Chief Fiscal Officer has determined that in order to maintain proper balances within various accounts several inter-fund transfers are necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans does hereby authorize Supervisor Stephen Donnelly to transfer the funds as depicted below for the Budget Year 2026:

General Fund A:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>From Account</u>	<u>To Account</u>
\$12,800.00	(A) 3120.11 Chief Salary	(A)3120.10 Law Enforcement Personal
\$2,205.17	(A) 1990.4 Contingency	(A)1010.4 Town Board Contractual

Seconded by Council member Donnelly, offered for discussion and duly put to a vote, the results of which appear above.

Discussion: Council member Schmitt asked for more details on the transfer from contingency. It was explained this was for the cost of attending the conference. He asked that more money be considered in this account during the upcoming budget to allow council members to attend.

Public Comment:

Sherle Slingerland lives on Blodgett Hill Road. She read the following:

“Last week Supervisor Donnelly entered the Town Clerk’s office and stated Town Clerk McHugh and I were required to sign a form placing us in charge of the disbursement of the two-million-dollar CDBG Grant.

This required us to open a bank account for the funds to be deposited into. We will be required to transfer funds out of it as needed. This was never discussed with either of us, and I feel should be

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the responsibility of the bookkeeper. Since this is above and beyond my scope of duties, I am requesting either a stipend or a raise in pay. Thank you for your time, and have a good evening.”

The Supervisor stated he would reach out to Laberge to see if this has happened before. Mr. Reilly clarified the Supervisor isn't allowed to be on this particular account and the engineers filled them out. Council member Schmitt asked about how the clerk and deputy were approached about this responsibility. The clerk clarified she spoke to the engineers and attorney about the details of this request as they were not represented to her by the Supervisor. Council member Stott asked what the scope of work is. Supervisor Donnelly feels this should have been addressed when he presented the documents. Mrs. Slingerland advised the board to be more aware if you are going to add duties to an employee as they should look into increasing pay. Council member Schmitt stated the approach may have been the issue.

Nita Chmielewski lives on Deyo Road. She thanked Mrs. Grogan for her diligence in reviewing the vouchers and questioning late fees. She stated she came to the board over a year ago to bring issues to light. Mrs. Chmielewski questioned the board's decision to allow the book keeper position to become part time. In her research she found checks stuck within the vouchers and what she considers improperly broken-down vouchers. Council member Stott respectfully disagreed with Mrs. Chmielewski and stated the current book keeper does a good job and he has full confidence in her ability. Council member Grogan stated she feels it is important for the book keeper to be in on the day after the abstract is passed.

Bob Jones lives on Mountain Road Extension. He presented a petition to the board (attached) asking for a temporary weight limit on Mountain Road Extension and the lifting of the current weight limit on North Jarvis. Mr. Jones stated he is continually asked by his neighbors if they will need to endure truck traffic for another summer. He asked that an answer to this petition be given within 2 weeks. He stated some have left the neighborhood and the traffic is a part of that reason.

Lynda Geraldson lives on Fuller Road. She stated there were no road studies when the limits were placed on North and South Jarvis. She feels it is only fair to split the burden by opening North Jarvis Road to give Mountain Road Extension a break while this is resolved. Mrs. Geraldson met with the Highway Superintendent to get an educated opinion on the roads. She stated this was always meant to be temporary. She reminded the board of the previous Supervisor coming in asking them to place a weight limit on Mountain Road Extension. She expressed her frustration in the wage paid to her husband in regards to the discussion about seasonal pay increases. She is for fair wages but feels the board needs to stop fighting and look internally.

Michelle Dorsey lives at 880 Bridge Street. She brought information regarding the zoning updates from Bethlehem for the board to review. Mrs. Dorsey explained the process which consist of forming committees for rezoning and holding meetings all over town. She stated it is

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important for the Comprehensive plan and zoning to match. Council member Schmitt asked where they were with their own application with the PBZBA.

Marc Dorsey asked how it is possible to do an inspection at his property when council has advised town employees to not have in person communications with the Dorsey's. He emailed the board but has not heard back. Council member Grogan thought the plan was for our inspectors and the Village inspector to go out together, but she is going off of recollection. Mr. Dorsey stated he is not allowing the code enforcement employees on his property due to them being in fear for their lives. Supervisor Donnelly stated that no one was in fear for their lives. Mr. Dorsey disagreed with that statement. Supervisor Donnelly told Mr. Dorsey he did not have to be in attendance at the time of the inspection. A stern discussion was held between Supervisor Donnelly and Marc Dorsey. Council member Grogan feels it is acceptable to allow the building inspector and officer on the property.

Callie Dorsey lives on Aquetuck Road. She is the niece for Marc and Michelle and has watched all the meetings. She feels the town is treating them unfairly. She referenced the February 26, 2026 meeting which implied her uncle was a violent person. Ms. Dorsey quoted from the meeting the words of the Supervisor, and Town Attorney regarding the advisement of interactions with Mr. Dorsey and the reasoning of the staff being sent home. She questioned why the board would send employees onto the property if they were in fear for their life. She stated it is disappointing to watch how this board interacts with one another. Council member Grogan stated for the record this has taken 15 months, but the Dorsey's did an enormous amount of work without a permit.

Motion to Enter into Executive Session was made by Council member Grogan to discuss contractual matters and they will not be returning and Seconded by Council member Stott. APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED 7:59pm

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session was made by Council member Schmitt and Seconded by Council member Stott- APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED 8:20p.m.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Council member Stott and Seconded by Council member Donnelly- APPROVED – VOTE – AYES 4 – NAYS 0 – ABSENT 0 – SO MOVED 8:20p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Candace McHugh, Town Clerk



Petition to the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans, New York

Subject: Request for a Temporary Weight Limit on Mountain Road Extension, Ravena, NY, and Removal of the Weight Limit on North Jarvis Road, Coeymans, NY

Date Tuesday April 7, 2026, Pages 1 of 2

To the Honorable Members of the Town Board of the Town of Coeymans:

We, the undersigned residents of Mountain Road Extension, Ravena, New York, respectfully request that the Town Board consider implementing a temporary weight limit on Mountain Road Extension while lifting the existing weight restriction on North Jarvis Road, Coeymans, New York.

Mountain Road Extension is a residential roadway that has experienced excessive heavy truck traffic associated with quarry and trucking operations. This traffic has raised serious concerns regarding road deterioration, noise, vibration, dust, and overall safety for residents.

We believe a temporary weight restriction on Mountain Road Extension would provide much-needed relief to residents while preserving access for local businesses by allowing heavy trucks to utilize North Jarvis Road, which is better suited to accommodate such traffic.

We respectfully request the Town Board review this matter, consider highway and engineering assessments, and take appropriate action in the interest of safety, infrastructure preservation, and community well-being.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Name	Address	Signature
1). Bob Jones	20 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY	<u>Bob Jones</u>
2). Kathy Jones	20 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY	<u>Kathy Jones</u>
3). Keith Gerardsen	187 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY	<u>Keith Gerardsen</u>
4). Lynda Gerardsen	187 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY	<u>Lynda Gerardsen</u>
5). Jim Lubaszka	6 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY	<u>Jim Lubaszka</u>
6). Sean Beazley	16 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY	<u>Sean Beazley</u>
7). Susan VanAlystyne	31 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY	<u>Susan Williams</u>

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- 8). James Williams 31 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY Jim Williams
- 9). Dona Bruckman 24 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY Dona Bruckman
- 10). Tony Cacckello 24 Mountain Rd. Ext. Ravena NY Tony Cacckello
- 11). Dave Hoffman 24B Mountain Rd. Ext Ravena NY Dave Hoffman
- 12). Madyson Hoffman 24B Mountain Rd. Ext Ravena NY Madyson Hoffman
- 13). Russell Dayter 143 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY Russell Dayter
- 14). Viginia Dayter 143 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY Virginia Dayter
- 15). Gary Shear 134 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY Gary Shear
- 16). Kris Groneman 134 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY Kris Groneman
- 17). Robert Misuraca 18 Fuller Rd. Ravena NY _____
- 18). Loraine Misuraca 18 Fuler Rd. Ravena NY _____