

*******DRAFT*******

The Town of Forestburgh Town Board held their regular monthly meeting on **Thursday, February 5, 2026**, at the town hall.

Supervisor Hogue called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Present – Daniel S. Hogue, Jr., Supervisor
Steven Budofsky, Councilperson
Vincent Galligan, Councilperson
Robert Sipos, Councilperson
Susan Parks Landis, Councilperson

Recording Secretary Teresa Collins, Town Clerk

Other Present Troy Johnstone, Attorney for the Town

MINUTES – January 8, 2026, Reorganizational minutes are acknowledged receipt. **MOTION** by Supervisor Hogue, seconded by Councilperson Budofsky to accept them with the amendment to add that Councilperson Sipos motion to replace Chairperson Robbins with Susan Hawvermale (Note: no second motion issued). Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

MINUTES – January 8, 2026, regular town board meeting minutes are acknowledged receipt. **MOTION** by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Landis. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS - #242 in the sum of \$58.15 as set forth in abstract #14 of 2025 were audited for payment. **MOTION** by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Landis to pay for the General Fund Vouchers 2025. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nay. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS - #8-29 in the sum of \$23,369.15 as set forth in abstract #3 of 2026 were audited for payment. **MOTION** by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Landis to pay for the General Fund Vouchers 2026. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nay. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY FUND VOUCHERS - # 170-176 in the sum of \$7,015.37 as set forth in abstract #15 of 2025 were reviewed. **MOTION** by Councilperson Landis, seconded by Councilperson Budofsky, to accept the Highway Fund Vouchers 2025. Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY FUND VOUCHERS - # 1-18 in the sum of \$105,595.35 as set forth in abstract #1 of 2026 were reviewed. **MOTION** by Councilperson Landis, seconded by Councilperson Budofsky, to accept the Highway Fund Vouchers 2026. Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays. Motion carried.

ESCROW VOUCHERS - #1-3 in the sum of \$1,950.00 as set forth in abstract # 1, were audited for payment. **MOTION** by Councilperson Landis, seconded by Councilperson Budofsky to pay the escrow vouchers. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nay. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE –

02/03/2026

Town Board

Town of Forestburgh
322 King Rd, Forestburgh, NY 12777
By: Electronic Mail

Dear Members of the Town Board and Town Supervisor:

I respectfully request to be recognized and allowed to publicly comment at the upcoming public meeting on the item discussed at the last meeting relating to setting fees for home-based businesses and signs, which appears again on the agenda of the upcoming meeting as "Updated Fee Schedules".

My comments will be brief, limited to the agenda item, and under three minutes.

This request should be granted for the following reasons: (1) Members of the public routinely address the Board and have done so for years. (2) The Board itself has recognized that, notwithstanding the absence of a statutory right to speak and participate at Town Meetings, **the Board believes that such a right is fundamental and grounded in historical public participation in Forestburgh.**¹

Therefore, I respectfully ask that my request be granted.

Sincerely,

Zehuda Miller

¹ Available here: <https://forestburgh.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/Rules-of-Conduct-and-Decorum-Forestburgh-Town-Board-Meetings-final.pdf>

02/05/2026

Town Board

Town of Forestburgh
322 King Rd, Forestburgh, NY 12777
By: Electronic Mail

Dear Members of the Town Board:

I write once again to address the continued violations of the Open Meetings Law.

At the last meeting, over two dozen prepared resolutions were voted on and passed¹, and two contracts were approved.

None of these materials were made available prior to the meeting, despite my specific request, nor were they posted on the Town's website, in plain violation of the law.

I personally asked the Town Attorney, Mr. Johnstone, about these blatant and ongoing violations. He was unable to provide any response or explanation as to why the law continues to be disregarded.

Moreover, the meeting minutes were not posted on the Town's website within two weeks, constituting yet another violation of the Open Meetings Law.

Finally, several policies that were adopted, such as the investment policy, code of ethics, and rules, which were not only unavailable prior to the meeting, but also do not appear in the minutes as part of the record. It is difficult to understand how such policies can be voted upon when they are not part of the record.

I commend the Town for posting the budget ledger online for the first time. However, to the extent that any record, resolution, or policy scheduled to be discussed or voted upon at tonight's meeting is not made available online or provided to the public before and at the meeting, this would represent a continuation of the Town's apparent disregard for the law.

I remain hopeful that these violations will cease.

Sincerely,

Jehuda Miller

¹ Including but not limited to the adoption of parliamentary rules and procedures, meeting schedules, bank designation, investment policy, procurement policy, code of ethics, highway budget, officer appointments, salaries, legal counsel, mileage reimbursement, delegates, board chairpersons, and marriage officer appointments.

OLD BUSINESS

LL#1 2025- Supervisor Hogue- Local law 1 2025 automatically becomes Local Law 1 2026.

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:	Local Law No. 1 of 2026, BESS
Date:	February 5, 2026

***Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 2 - Impact Assessment***

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:		
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PRINT FORM

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project: Local Law No. 1 of 2026, BESS

Date: February 5, 2026

**Short Environmental Assessment Form
Part 3 Determination of Significance**

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

*****SEE ATTACHED*****

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.
Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh	February 5, 2026
Name of Lead Agency	Date
Daniel S. Hogue, Jr.	Town Supervisor
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
<i>Daniel S. Hogue</i>	
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

PRINT FORM

PART 3 – Attachment

Adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2025, “Battery Energy Storage System Law of the Town of Forestburgh.”

Lead Agency

Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York.

Reasoned Elaboration Supporting Negative Declaration

The Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh has reviewed the proposed action, the Short Environmental Assessment Form (SEAF), including Part 1 and Part 2, and all information contained in the record. The proposed action is the legislative adoption of a local law establishing regulations governing the siting, construction, operation, safety, and decommissioning of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) within the Town.

The action is legislative and regulatory in nature. It does not approve, authorize, or permit the construction, installation, or operation of any specific battery energy storage facility. The local law applies generally throughout the Town and establishes standards and requirements that would govern future applications, if any, which may be proposed under separate discretionary review processes.

The adoption of the local law will not result in any physical disturbance, ground clearing, grading, construction, or alteration of land or water resources. The action does not change zoning classifications, increase permitted density or intensity of development, or commit the Town to any future course of action that would result in environmental impacts. No site-specific location is identified or approved, and no infrastructure or utility improvements are proposed as part of this action.

The Town Board considered potential environmental resources within the Town, including wetlands, surface waters, floodplains, forested areas, agricultural lands, wildlife habitat, open space resources, scenic resources, and residential neighborhoods. Because the action is limited to the adoption of a regulatory framework and does not authorize development, the action will not result in adverse impacts to these resources.

The local law is intended to provide protective standards and safeguards addressing potential environmental and public safety concerns associated with battery energy storage systems, including siting limitations, setback requirements, screening, noise and lighting controls, fire and emergency response coordination, operational standards, and decommissioning and financial security requirements. To the extent that future battery energy storage projects are proposed, such projects will be subject to separate discretionary approvals and an independent environmental review pursuant to SEQRA, at which time site-specific environmental impacts will be evaluated and mitigated as necessary.

The Town Board also considered whether the adoption of the local law could result in cumulative or indirect environmental impacts. Because the law does not authorize development and requires future projects to undergo separate review, the adoption of the law does not create or exacerbate

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cumulative environmental impacts. Any potential impacts associated with individual projects will be addressed through project-level SEQRA review.

Based on the foregoing, the Town Board finds that the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2026 will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. The action is limited to legislative adoption of a regulatory framework and does not involve physical alteration of the environment or commitment to future development.

Accordingly, the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh hereby determines that the proposed action will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment, and a Negative Declaration is hereby issued pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act and its implementing regulations.

SEQRA Determination

Negative Declaration

Positive Declaration

Adopted by Resolution of the Town Board

Town of Forestburgh

Date: *FEBRUARY 5,*
~~January 8,~~ 2026

Town of Forestburgh

RESOLUTION

Determining That Adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2026 (Battery Energy Storage Systems) Will Not Have a Significant Adverse Impact on the Environment

Dated: February 5, 2026

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 332 King Road, Forestburgh, N.Y., on the 5th day of February 2026, there were:

Supervisor Daniel S. Hogue, Jr.	Present
Councilmember Steven Budofsky	Present
Councilmember Susan Parks-Landis	Present
Councilmember Vincent Galligan	Present
Councilmember Robert J. Sipos	Present

Supervisor Hogue offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York (the “Town Board”), is considering the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2026 entitled “Battery Energy Storage System Law of the Town of Forestburgh” (the “Proposed Action”); and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Action consists solely of the legislative adoption of a local law establishing regulations governing the siting, construction, operation, safety, and decommissioning of battery energy storage systems within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Action is an Unlisted Action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and its implementing regulations at 6 NYCRR Part 617; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is the Lead Agency for purposes of SEQRA review of the Proposed Action; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the Short Environmental Assessment Form (“SEAF”), including Part 1, Part 2, and Part 3 (Reasoned Elaboration), and all information contained in the record; and

WHEREAS, the Proposed Action is legislative and regulatory in nature and does not approve, authorize, or permit the construction or operation of any specific battery energy storage facility, nor does it result in any physical disturbance of land, vegetation, or water resources; and

SEQRA Resolution for Proposed Local Law 1 of 2026 regarding BESS

WHEREAS, the Proposed Action does not change zoning classifications, increase permitted density or intensity of development, or commit the Town to any future course of action that would result in environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, any future battery energy storage system proposed within the Town would be subject to separate discretionary approvals and an independent environmental review pursuant to SEQRA, including evaluation of site-specific environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered the potential environmental resources within the Town, including wetlands, surface waters, floodplains, forested lands, agricultural lands, wildlife habitat, open space resources, scenic resources, and residential neighborhoods, and finds that the Proposed Action will not result in adverse impacts to such resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh hereby determines that the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2026 will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a **Negative Declaration** is hereby issued pursuant to SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to file and circulate this determination in accordance with applicable law.

On a motion by Councilperson Galligan, seconded by Budofsky, the resolution was adopted on a roll call vote, the results which follow:

Supervisor Daniel S. Hogue, Jr.	Aye
Councilmember Steven Budofsky	Aye
Councilmember Susan Parks-Landis	Aye
Councilmember Vincent Galligan	Aye
Councilmember Robert J. Sipos	Aye

Adopted this 5th day of February 2026.


By Order of the Forestburgh Town Board
Teresa Collins, Town Clerk

I, **TERESA COLLINS**, Town Clerk of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing local law was approved by the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh on **February 5th, 2026** and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the original local law and of the whole thereof and that said original local law is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of the Town Board had due notice of the said Town Board meeting.

SEQRA Resolution for Proposed Local Law 1 of 2026 regarding BESS

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Town of
Forestburgh this 5th day of February 2026.


Teresa Collins, Town Clerk



Town of Forestburgh

RESOLUTION

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2026 – “Battery Energy Storage Systems Law of the Town of Forestburgh”

Dated: February 5, 2026

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York, held at the Town Hall, 332 King Road, Forestburgh, N.Y., on the 5th day of February 2026, there were:

Supervisor Daniel S. Hogue, Jr.	Present
Councilmember Steven Budofsky	Present
Councilmember Susan Parks-Landis	Present
Councilmember Vincent Galligan	Present
Councilmember Robert J. Sipos	Present

Supervisor Hogue offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York (the “Town Board”), previously introduced a proposed local law entitled “*Battery Energy Storage System Law of the Town of Forestburgh*” (the “Local Law”), which amends the Code of the Town of Forestburgh to establish regulations governing the siting, construction, operation, safety, and decommissioning of battery energy storage systems; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board scheduled and conducted a duly noticed public hearing on the proposed Local Law on November 6, 2025, at which time all persons wishing to be heard were given an opportunity to comment, and the public hearing was thereafter closed; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Local Law was referred to the Sullivan County Planning Department pursuant to General Municipal Law § 239-m for review and recommendation, and the Town Board has duly considered the County’s response, or the expiration of the applicable statutory review period; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the proposed Local Law and finds that it is in the best interests of the Town to adopt clear and comprehensive regulations governing battery energy storage systems in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the Town and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has classified the adoption of the Local Law as an **Unlisted Action** under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”); and

Resolution Adoption Proposed Local Law 1 of 2026 regarding BESS

WHEREAS, by separate resolution adopted contemporaneously herewith, the Town Board issued a Negative Declaration determining that the adoption of the Local Law will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh hereby **adopts Local Law No. 1 of 2026**, entitled "*Battery Energy Storage System Law of the Town of Forestburgh*," in the form presented to the Town Board attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to certify the Local Law, affix the Town Seal, and file the Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

On a motion by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Landis, the resolution was adopted on a roll call vote, the results which follow:

Supervisor Daniel S. Hogue, Jr.	Aye
Councilmember Steven Budofsky	Aye
Councilmember Susan Parks-Landis	Aye
Councilmember Vincent Galligan	Aye
Councilmember Robert J. Sipos	Aye

Adopted this 5th day of February 2026.

**By Order of the Forestburgh Town Board
Teresa Collins, Town Clerk**

I, **TERESA COLLINS**, Town Clerk of the Town of Forestburgh, Sullivan County, New York, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing local law was approved by the Town Board of the Town of Forestburgh on **February 5, 2026** and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the original local law and of the whole thereof and that said original local law is on file in the
Town Clerk's office.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that each of the members of the Town Board had due notice of the said Town Board meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Town of Forestburgh this 5th day of February 2026.


Teresa Collins, Town Clerk

Planning Board Engineer – Supervisor Hogue- I did reach out to a couple companies. I am waiting for responses from them. **Councilperson Sipos** – I spoke to Glenn Smith.

Board of assessments Review – Supervisor Hogue -Looking for two board members for the board of assessment review.

Planning Board Member Vacancy- Supervisor Hogue- We received one letter of interest for the Planning Board. I did have two other people that expressed interest. So, we will table this for now.

Server for Town Computers- Teresa Town Clerk – will be table for next month.

Camera system for Highway Department – Supervisor Hogue- will be table for next month

NEW BUSINESS

Updated Fee Schedules – Supervisor Hogue – we did have one request to speak about the home based business and sign. **Motion** to open the floor to Mr. Miller.

Motion by Councilperson Galligan, seconded by Councilperson Sipos, to open the floor for Mr. Miller. Vote: 5 ayes – 0 nays Motion carried.

Mr. Miller -Fees are not meant to fill budget gap in terms of the overall budget. It's supposed to be some kind of analysis to explain if the building dept budget doesn't get covered then you get to set fees. Mr. Miller implied fee for home based and sign was set and advised that we go back to the minutes and check.

Councilperson Budofsky- to remove dog impound fee and replace it with - Fees are determined in accordance with municipal shelter contract stipulations as well as New York State law.

Supervisor Hogue – Short term rental fee extends to 2 year fee requested by the building inspector.

TOWN OF FORESTBURGH BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

1. <u>One or Two Family Dwelling</u>	Old Fee	New Fee
New	\$75 & \$.25 Sq ft	\$125 & \$.50 Sq ft
Repairs/Alterations/Renovations	\$30 & \$.25 Sq ft	\$50 & \$.50 Sq ft
Additions	\$30 & .25 Sq ft	\$50 & \$.50 Sq ft
Re-Roof	\$50	\$50
2. <u>Multiple Dwelling 3 Units or More</u>		
New	\$125 & \$.30 Sq ft	\$150 & \$.50 Sq ft
Repairs/Alterations/Renovations	\$75 & \$.30 Sq ft	\$100 & \$.50 Sq ft
Additions	\$75 & \$.30 Sq ft	\$100 & \$.50 Sq ft

3. Auxiliary Buildings

Decks, Storage Sheds, Garages etc.	\$50 & .20 Sq ft	\$40 & .50 Sq ft
Generators	\$75	\$75
Heat Pumps/split unit	none	\$50

4. Pools

Above Ground	\$50	\$50
In Ground	\$100	\$100

5. Commercial Buildings

\$125 & .40 Sq ft	\$175 & .50 Sq Ft
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6. Septic Systems

Residential	\$50	\$50
Commercial	\$100	\$100

7. Demolition

Residential	\$50	\$50
Commercial	.10 Sq ft	\$.50 Sq ft

8. Residential Solar Array

\$75	\$75
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9. Electrical Upgrade

none	\$50
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10. Abstract/ violation

\$75	\$80
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11. Home Business

none	\$100
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12. Signs

none	\$75
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**13. Short Term rental Permit \$500 plus \$25 application fee
Renewal fee \$250 fee**

Will like to make it a Short Term Rental for a 2 year fee

Driveway Permits.....\$50.00

Private Use of Town Hall – Deposit.....\$225.00

Refund after clean up and inspection by Town Board Member...\$100.00

Fireworks Permit.....\$100.00

Logging/Forestry Registration.....\$300.00

Dog Impound Fees: DELETE

First Offense.....\$75.00 DELETE

Second Offense..... \$100.00 DELETE

Each Additional Offense Annually..... \$50.00 DELETE

MOTION by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Landis, to adopt the new fees as laid out on this fee schedule and change the wording for the dog in pound fees as per contracts and state law and adjust the short term rental fee to two years.

Councilperson Sipos abstains Vote: 4 ayes - 0 nays- 1 abstain. Motion carried. 4:1

Letter of support for Sullivan co O & W rail trail grant application – Supervisor Hogue - The County of Sullivan, on behalf of the Division of Planning, will be re-applying for the U.S. Department of Transportation BUILD Grant (formerly referred to as the RAISE Grant) to continue the County’s objective towards full buildout of the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail. The rail trail has the opportunity to span continuously from Wurtsboro to Livingston Manor (approximately 50 miles) when full buildout is one day completed. If funding is secured by this grant, projects include engineering safety improvements to 28 trail crossings and intersections, an e-bike integration study, and a feasibility study to determine a preferred route to replace the long missing Liberty trestle.

Supervisor Hogue – They are asking for all the towns help with a letter of support for their grant.

MOTION by Councilperson Budofsky, seconded by Councilperson Landis, for a letter of support on behalf of the town. Vote: 5 ayes - 0 nays. Motion carried.

REPORTS – BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT- we are looking for new members and corned beef dinner on March 7th.



TOWN OF FORESTBURGH
332 King Road
Forestburgh, New York 12777

Forestburgh Planning Board
Richard Robbins, Chairman

Planning Board Report to Town Board for its February 5, 2026 Meeting

Mr Supervisor and Town Board Members;

This report is made in writing as opposed to in person at your meeting, as I will be out of town and not able to attend your meeting Thursday evening.

The Planning Board met for its regular January meeting. The sole agenda item – both for a continuation of the SEQRA public hearing and the regular meeting - was The Grand Luxury Retreat. This public hearing was a continuation of the hearing begun at our December meeting. It was held open because several items that were required to be produced had not yet been. All but one item required to complete SEQRA were submitted. Noone spoke at either session of the Public Hearing. During January's regular meeting, after receiving a brief presentation on the newly submitted material, the Board completed Part 2 of the Environmental Assessment Form and deferred completing part 3 until our February 24 meeting. Also, at the February meeting the required Public Hearing for their application for a Special Use Permit, and site plan approval will take place, following which the Board may be in a position to take action on these applications.

Also on our February agenda will be an application by Eagle Creek Renewable for site plan approval for their hydro power facility's penstock replacement – the original 1920's vintage wooden one having disastrously failed. This project is also being done under FERC and DEC supervision and permitting. While they had initially been on our January agenda, they asked to be removed when the storm predictions for the preceding weekend caused the cancelation of flights for several of the Eagle Creek individuals who had planned to attend.

Respectfully Submitted

Richard Robbins

**Town of Forestburgh Highway Dept.
HIGHWAY REPORT
Highway Superintendent,**

February 2026

Roads

Please don't push your snow from your driveway out into the road especially after the town truck plows and salts the road

Parking

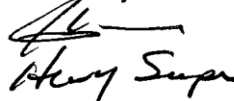
We are now into winter months please keep your cars, trucks off the road or it will be towed because if it gets hit by a plow wing or plow truck even snow or ice don't blame the town you have been warned

Winter Hour

Winter Hours are in effect and if you need sand for the winter come to the town barn it will be in the shed

Started getting things together for spring ,like paint and decals for fuel tanks and also to paint the sides of the garage ,bunch of tires have to be taken to the dump so we will be working on those things and other things around the barn ,also looking to spec out a truck to present to the board and once the snow is melted looking at roads to see has to be done.

Thank you



Steve Super

ADJOURNMENT – MOTION by Councilperson Landis to adjourn at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Collins, Town Clerk