

TOWN OF DENNING TOWN BOARD BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Supervisor Brooks.
Held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at the Denning Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor David Brooks, Councilman Gregory Vurckio, Councilman Mike Dean, Councilman Kevin Smith, Councilman Scott Mickelson and Highway Superintendent Leonard Johnson

No Public Present

The only order of Business at this meeting is the Audit of Highway and General Vouchers for the month of April 2026.

April 2026 Highway Vouchers presented to the Board by Highway Superintendent Leonard Johnson.

April 2026 General Vouchers presented to the Board by Supervisor David Brooks.

Review and discussion of all Vouchers.

Resolution No. 35 of 2026 - Approval and Payment of Highway and General Vouchers will be voted on at the Regular Meeting of the Town Board this date at 6:00 pm.

Supervisor David Brooks requests a Motion to adjourn Business Meeting. Councilman Scott Mickelson motions to adjourn the Business Meeting at 1:25 pm, seconded by Councilman Gregory Vurckio. All in Favor. Meeting Adjourned.

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Public Present: Jenny Lee and David White

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Brooks welcomes Jenny Lee to the Meeting to discuss the current status of the Ulster County Broadband Commission. She is speaking first as she has some travelling to do this evening and needs to get on the road. She reports that the NTIA confirmed that NYS BEAD Award Agreement Application is completed and now contracts can be signed and monies can be disbursed. She will be presenting detailed information at the Ulster County Supervisor's & Mayor's meeting on April 21st. She confirms Denning service FIOS will be coming from Sullivan County in the Fallsburg area. Jenny reports that the service will be above-ground on the poles. The first priority is to get service to the unserved. All the way to Tison's and all the way up Frost Valley Road to the Town line. She reports that Denning has the highest percentage of unserved in Ulster County.

Supervisor Brooks mentions that he had been speaking with the Neversink Highway Superintendent who noted that they are having difficulty with the contractors who are digging the trenches for buried cable as they are ruining culverts and affecting established road ditching, etc. Luckily we won't be having those issues because of the overhead placement. Discussion follows regarding detailed specifics for Denning broadband numbers and installation information.

Jenny Lee has no updates on Emergency Communication services at this time. She advises that the status of the most recent Claryville Fire Department grant is submitted and they should have follow up info by September.

The Board thanks Jenny Lee for her tireless work on the Denning Broadband issue. Her efforts are greatly appreciated.

The Town Clerk provided all Board members with a copy of the Agenda and Resolutions Nos. 34 through 36, and the Budget vs. Actual through March 2026.

The Town Clerk Minute Book was signed prior to the meeting commencement. Motion to adopt last months' minutes as presented by Town Clerk Nancy Parrow made by Councilman Scott Mickelson, and seconded by Councilman Kevin Smith.

Roll call vote:

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Deputy Supervisor Gregory Vurckio AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE

Councilman Scott Mickelson AYE

Motion carried.

Five (5) sealed Bids are opened and read by Town Clerk Nancy Parrow for the Town of Denning 2026 Highway Material Bids. They are from: 209 Materials/Aden Aggregates - Montgomery; Callanan Industries - Monticello; Callanan Industries - Kingston; Mombaccus Excavating - Accord; and JML Quarries - White Lake.

Correspondence:

- Email received with Agreement between Town of Denning and CWC for 2026 Septic Inspection Services for \$2,400.00. Supervisor Brooks requests a Motion to sign agreement. Motion made by Councilman Mike Dean and seconded by Councilman Kevin Smith. All in Favor. Motion passes.
- Email received from Robert Drake who is running for Ulster County Legislature in the upcoming November election. He is hoping to meet more Denning residents face to face and is available to appear at any upcoming community activities in Denning. Requests the Board contact him if there are anything that they would like to discuss with him.
- Email received regarding UCAT Transportation. Discussion follows.
- April donation check received from the Frost Valley YMCA in the amount of \$8,300.00. The Town Board expresses thanks to CEO Riel Peerbooms and the Frost Valley Board of Trustees for their continued support.
- Check received from Mike Preis Insurance in the amount of \$311.00 after review of covered machinery in use at the Denning Highway Department. Refund issued after deleting certain items no longer in use.

Highway Superintendent Leonard Johnson reports:

- Completed spring road recovery. All of Sundown ditches are blown out and roads are swept.
- Spring service to equipment including grader, dump trucks and backhoe. Installed new cutting edges on plows and routine maintenance performed on chainsaws and mower equipment.
- Expected to finish sweeping and ditching for paving, patching and chip sealing in Claryville. Once the NYS budget is passed, we will know what road work can be completed this year. Discussion follows regarding CHIPS funding and NYS Budget.
- End of March and early April weather included freeze-thaw cycles, heavy rain, and a mid-month wind event requiring emergency road clearing work.
- Crew cab door repair status. Door will be available April 30th.

- June mowing discussion regarding using a flail. Superintendent Johnson will review for cost and report to the Board next month.
- Councilman Mickelson asks about grease for loader. Discussion follows.

Planning Board report from Councilman Kevin Smith:

- Surveyor Tony Siciliano returned for March meeting after no quorum in February regarding the Jones/Tomina lot line matter. The Planning Board gave their approval.

Highway Pre-Pay Vouchers presented by Hwy. Super. Johnson.
(See Warrant #4 Pre-Pay, Voucher Nos. 11 - 13)

MVP Health Care, Inc.	4PP-11	DA90608 · Health Ins.	-14,649.06
Trust & Agency Account - FICA	4PP-12	DA90308 · Social Security/Medicare	-851.48
Trust & Agency Account - FICA	4PP-13	DA90308 · Social Security/Medicare	-733.59
Grand Total:			-16,234.13

Highway Vouchers presented by Hwy. Super. Johnson.
(See Warrant #4, Vouchers Nos. 21 - 38)

Advance Auto Parts	21	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-1,507.94
Aden Mining & Materials, Inc.	22	DA51424 · Snow Removal-Contractual	-1,495.95
Applachee, LLC	23	DA51424 · Snow Removal-Contractual	-10,820.11
Arkel Motors	24	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-1,153.67
Bottini Fuel Corporation	25	DA51424 · Snow Removal-Contractual	-5,960.09
	26	DA51424 · Snow Removal-Contractual	-3,228.00
Bottini Total:			-9,188.09
Callanan Industries, Inc.	27	DA51424 · Snow Removal-Contractual	-3,336.77
Chemung Supply Corp	28	DA51424 · Snow Removal-Contractual	-3,685.80
H.O. Penn Machinery Co. Inc.	29	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-584.21
Hoffman Equipment	30	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-600.89
Home Depot Credit Services	31	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-166.45
Hudson River Truck & Trailer	32	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-198.45
McDonald & McDonad Inc.	33	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-294.99
Mullally Tractor Sales	34	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-392.82
North East Parts Group	35	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-306.21
River Valley Radio Inc.	36	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-1,230.25
Showalter's Auto & Equipment	37	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-782.00
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	38	DA51304 · Machinery Contr	-334.92
Grand Total:			(36,079.52)

General Pre-Pay Vouchers presented by Supervisor Brooks.
(See Warrant #4 Pre-Pay, Vouchers Nos. 21 - 28)

Central Hudson	4PP-21	A8160.4 · Refuse & Garbage-Contractual	-86.08
Central Hudson	4PP-22	A1620.4 · Buildings-Contractual	-458.35
	4PP-23	A5132.4 · Highway Garage-Contractual	-771.82
Charter Communications	4PP-24	A1620.4 · Buildings-Contractual	-271.07
MVP Health Care Inc.	4PP-25	A9060.8 · Health Insurance	-12,659.00
TRUST & AGENCY ACCT- FICA	4PP-26	A9030.8 · Social Security	-351.48
TRUST & AGENCY ACCT -FICA	4PP-27	A9030.8 · Social Security	-771.56
TRUST & AGENCY ACCT -FICA	4PP-28	A9030.8 · Social Security	-293.46
Grand Total			(15,662.82)

General Vouchers, presented by Supervisor Brooks.
(See Warrant #4, Voucher Nos. 36 - 53)

Blue360 Media, LLC	36	A1110.4 · Town Justice-Contractual	-38.85
Bottini Fuel	37	A1620.4 · Buildings-Contractual	-1,107.89
	38	A5132.4 · Highway Garage-Contractual	-619.90
	39	A5132.4 · Highway Garage-Contractual	-720.43
Bottini Total:			-2,448.22
Central Hudson	40	A5182.4 · Street Lighting - Contractual	-198.87
Charter Communications	41	A5132.4 · Highway Garage-Contractual	-297.94

ES11, LLC	42	A1670.4 · Central Data Processing Contrac	-115.00
e-Nable Business Solutions	43	A1670.4 · Central Data Processing Contrac	-222.75
Jonathan Follender, Reim.	44	A9060.8 · Health Insurance	-2,460.90
Grahamsville First Aid Squad	45	A4540.4 · Emergency Services-Contractual	-2,405.75
MVP Select Care Inc.	46	A9060.8 · Health Insurance	-45.50
	47	A9060.8 · Health Insurance	-45.50
		MVP Total:	-91.00
MATTHEW BENDER CO., INC.	48	A1110.4 · Town Justice-Contractual	-1,048.75
Office of the State Comptroller	49	A690 · Overpayment & Clearing Account	-510.00
QUILL CORP	50	A1620.4 · Buildings-Contractual	-34.33
	51	A1620.4 · Buildings-Contractual	-376.00
		Quill Total:	-410.33
UCRRA	52	A8160.4 · Refuse & Garbage-Contractual	-2,210.24
Williamson Law Book Co.	53	A1410.4 · Town Clerk-Contractual	-271.24
		Grand Total:	(12,729.84)

Capital Vouchers, presented by Supervisor Brooks.
(See Warrant #4, Voucher Nos. None)

Resolution No. 34 of 2026

WHEREAS, with funding from the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC), the Town of Denning completed a feasibility study reviewing the Sundown Stream Project on the Rondout Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Denning was previously approved by CWC for design funding in the amount of \$80,000.00 for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received an updated proposal from SLR with estimated design cost of \$143,160.00 for the project, resulting in an additional funding need of \$63,160.00.

WHEREAS, additional funding is necessary to complete the design phase associated with the Sundown Stream Project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board of the Town of Denning authorizes the Supervisor to apply to the Catskill Watershed Corporation for additional design funding in the amount of \$63,160.00 related to design cost associated with the Sundown Stream Project on the Rondout Creek.

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, and recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Gregory Vurckio and seconded by Councilman Kevin Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE	Councilman Scott Mickelson	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Gregory Vurckio	AYE
Supervisor David Brooks	AYE		

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 35 of 2026

WHEREAS New York State General Municipal Law Sections 103 and 104-4 permit the pre-audit function of vouchers, as a form of internal controls in the checking of claims and supporting documentation. And

WHEREAS the Sections 118 and 119 of New York State Municipal Law also authorize the auditing authority to approve of Said vouchers. And

WHEREAS the Office of the New York State Comptroller Division of Local Governments and Accountability: Budgets and Finances also approves of this method.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Denning Town Board HEREBY approves of and authorizes payment of the following Warrants:

Highway Fund Pre-Pay Warrant No. 4PP Voucher Nos. 11 - 13.

Highway Fund Warrant No. 4 Voucher Nos. 21 - 38.

General Fund Pre-Pay Warrant No. 5PP Voucher Nos. 21 - 28.

General Fund Warrant No. 4 Voucher Nos. 36 - 53.

Capital Fund Sewage Disposal Warrant No. 4 None.

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, and recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Mike Dean and seconded by Councilman Scott Mickelson.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean AYE

Councilman Scott Mickelson AYE

Councilman Kevin Smith AYE

Councilman Gregory Vurckio AYE

Supervisor David Brooks AYE

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution No. 36 of 2026

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law section 103 requires municipalities to go to bid and accept the lowest bid price, And

WHEREAS the Town of Denning has formed an Audit Over Sight Committee to review and recommend the bids below, and

WHEREAS the Denning Town Board has voted to accept Said Committee recommendation, and

WHEREAS, following careful consideration by the Town of Denning Highway Superintendent and the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law § 103 (16) permits local governments to "piggy back" off of other municipal bids; for apparatus, materials, equipment supplies and to contract for additional services related to the aforementioned; off of any local, state, or federal government contract, so long as the contract was in a manner that is consistent with competitive bidding laws, and

WHEREAS, Town Law section § 5-36 E-1 authorizes Town Boards to waive Said Bid if it is in the Town's best interest and accept the next lowest bid, And

NOW THEREFORE be it RESOLVED The Town of Denning **HEREBY** accepts the following bids and the Town and any other municipality may "piggy back" on any Town of Denning bid or from any other municipal or other branches of government:

209 Materials/Aden Aggregates - Montgomery: Sand-Snow & Ice (Ton)*; Crusher Run Crusher Run (Ton) Tail Gate Spread*.; Dumped Rip Rap (Ton)*; Flat Bed Rip Rap (Ton)*; Cold Patch (Ton) *;Bank Run (Ton)*; Stackable Rock (Ton)*; Slope Rock (Ton)*.

Callanan- Kingston Location: Low Abrasive Sand (Ton)*; #1 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion*; #1 A Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion*; #2 Stone (Ton) Low Abrasion*; Crusher Run (Ton)*.

Callanan- Monticello Location: Quarry Rubble (Ton)*; Abrasive Sand (Ton)*; Gabions (Ton)*; #45 Stone (ton)* (#3 stone); Screenings (Ton)*; Item #4 (Ton) – Ledge Rock*; Crusher Run (Ton)*; Blacktop Hot Mix Type 6 FOB; Blacktop Hot Mix Type 7 FOB.

Whereupon, the Resolution was put to a vote, and recorded as follows:

Motion to adopt and approve by Councilman Scott Mickelson and seconded by Councilman Kevin Smith.

Roll Call Vote:

Councilman Mike Dean	AYE	Councilman Scott Mickelson	AYE
Councilman Kevin Smith	AYE	Councilman Gregory Vurckio	AYE
Supervisor David Brooks	AYE		

Motion carried following a unanimous roll call vote.

Supervisor Comments: David Brooks reports:

- Upcoming meeting with NYS DEC on April 30th regarding Peekamoose/Blue Hole. Supervisor Brooks, Councilman Vurckio and a representative and Highway Superintendent Johnson to be present as well regarding where barrier rocks etc. will be moved at parking areas. Discussion follows.

Councilmen Comments:

- Councilman Gregory Vurckio reports that there was no CWT meeting this month.
 - On May 5th there will be a joint meeting at CWC along with CWT and WAC where DEP will provide their 2026-2030 Bureau of Water Supply strategic plan.
 - Councilman Vurckio provided an information sheet on the new commissioner of the NYS DEC for review. Discussion follows.
- Councilman Scott Mickelson reported on the Justice Court. Next Court date is tomorrow, 4-15-26. There are two pending matters before the Court.
- Councilman Mike Dean asks about letter of intent previously received from Conell Hatton regarding the planning board member vacancy. It is decided that Councilman Kevin Smith will reach out to find out if there is still interest.
- Councilman Kevin Smith has no further comments.
- No further Councilman comments.

Public Comments:

- No Public comments.

Motion to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 7:27 pm made by Councilman Gregory Vurckio and seconded by Councilman Scott Mickelson. All in Favor. Motion Carried. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Parrow, Town Clerk, April 21, 2026.

The next Town Business meeting will be held at 1:00 pm on Tuesday May 12th, 2026 at the Denning Town Hall, and the next Town Board Meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, May 12th, 2026 at the Denning Town Hall, 1567 Denning Road, Claryville, NY.