

## Town of Chateaugay


Minutes January 26, 2026

- Meeting The regular meeting of the Chateaugay Town Board on 1/26/2026 was called to order by Supervisor Donald Bilow at 6:30 P.M.
- Members Present Supervisor Donald Bilow, Councilman William Trombly, Councilman Irving Monette, Councilman Scott Cowan, Councilman Cory Helm, Highway Superintendent Roger LaBombard and Town Clerk Phyllis LeMay.
- Visitors Town Attorney Eric Gustafson, Mayor Matt Clarke, David Hejl, Anne Waling from North Country Wind and Assessor Robert Ball.
- Minutes A motion was made by Bill Trombly and seconded by Irving Monette to adopt the minutes of the January 12, 2026 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.
- E. Gustafson Town attorney Eric Gustafson came before the board to discuss the following wind and solar projects:
- Valcour There was no movement – ORES will start working on the application.
- No. Country Wind Attorney Eric Gustafson will reach out to Chateaugay Central School to discuss the turbine locations and distances where they are requesting waivers for #53, #54 and #55.
- Brookside Eric Gustafson presented a draft Host Community Agreement to the board.
- Assessor Assessor Robert Ball was here to introduce himself to the new board members. Bill Trombly asked about the town's equalization rate. The rate will be approximately 96%, we should do a reval every five (5) years.
- C.E.O. Mayor Clarke spoke about Code Enforcement Officer Jim Dumont, the village is not happy with his work and would like a new code enforcement officer.
- Water Districts Mayor Matt Clarke requested the town form three (3) new water and sewer districts. The town requested a list of the homeowners in the proposed districts.
- Policy Supervisor Bilow discussed the Procurement Policy. We need a policy for emergencies, examples when heating system is not working.
- CDBG A motion was made by Scott Cowan and seconded by Irving Monette to name Friends of the North Country as the Sub Recipient for the CDBG Project #216HR346-25, all in favor, motion carried.

- Historian A motion was made by Bill Trombly and seconded by Irving Monette to name Mary Humiston as the Town Historian, all in favor, motion carried.
- Boiler  
Town Hall A motion was made by Bill Trombly and seconded by Irving Monette to approve the screen replacement on the town hall boiler in the amount of \$1,717.26, all in favor, motion carried.
- Poll Site A motion was made by Scott Cowan and seconded by Irving Monette to approve the town hall as an emergency polling site, all in favor, motion carried.
- Rec Park A motion was made by Irving Monette and seconded by Scott Cowan to approve hiring a Recreation Leader to fill Kim Raville position for the 2026 day camp, all in favor, motion carried.
- EV Chrg. Supervisor Bilow asked if we want to apply for a grant to install EV chargers. Request costs.
- Reports Highway Superintendent Roger LaBombard – Roger reported the following:  
  
1. He has installed the parts for the pellet boiler furnace and it is running.  
  
Bill Trombly – Bill would like the town to sell the property on Lake Street. A motion was made by Cory Helm and seconded by Irving Monette to have town attorney Matt McArdle to begin the process to sell the Lake Street property, all in favor, motion carried.
- Executive Session A motion was made by Scott Cowan and seconded by Irving Monette to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.  
  
A motion was made by Scott Cowan and seconded by Cory Helm to come out of executive session.
- Bills A Motion was made by Scott Cowan and seconded by Cory Helm to pay the bills. Motion carried, all in favor.
- Adjournment A Motion was made by Irving Monette and seconded by Cory Helm to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Next Meeting February 9, 2026.

  
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Phyllis A. LeMay, Town Clerk