

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, February 24, 2026.

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Patricia Hayles, Councilperson Scott Maar, Councilperson Tyler Sharpe, Councilperson Adam Staskiewicz, and Councilperson Gary Sullivan. Also present were Finance Director Hiedi Librock, Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham, and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

No visitors were present.

Supervisor Hayles called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag and remain standing for a moment of silence to think about war-torn countries, this is four years ago today the war in the Ukraine began, and for all our service people here and overseas, and all our first responders.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one spoke.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence noted.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Town Clerk Karen Sweeting reported updates to the Town Code review project and will bring remaining questions to the Code Committee meeting on March 3, 2026.

Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham reported on snow and ice control. Salt deliveries have been delayed slightly but have not created any problems yet. Discussion on average salt usage.

Finance Director Hiedi Librock reported finishing up with the auditors. Supervisor Hayles would like the auditors to present to the entire board.

Councilperson Staskiewicz reported the Spring Scoreboard went live, the roller-skating event was a success with approximately 100 participants, baseball and soccer signups have begun, winter break week went well with approximately 30 children each day, and the senior Valentine breakfast was well attended.

Councilperson Sullivan met with Buildings and Grounds Director Ben Whipple. Things are going well at the Town Park, and they are assisting with snow removal.

Councilperson Maar reported:

- Highlights from 2025 for Seymour Library:
 - An increase of 5% over 2024 for in-building patron usage – met annual usage target
 - An increase of 3% over 2024 for circulated physical items – numbers continue to rise
 - Digital recordings reflect renewed and sustained interest in digital collections such as eBooks

- Development of an Outdoor Learning Space, allows for expanded program flexibility and seasonal offerings
- Children's programs showed the greatest growth at 19% increase in participation from 2024, followed by combined audience, teen and tweens.
- For 2026:
 - Targeted a 5% benchmark increase for building usage, circulation, and programming. Adult-oriented programming - trying to achieve a 10% increase.
 - Space utilization study for the children's room, with total upgrade of that space in 2027
 - ADA compliance with the website and new security system
 - Additional outreach programs and touch points beyond the walls of the library with community partners

Councilperson Maar referred to the MOU with the library. The treasurer changes every two years and suggests looking into changing that to every three years. Discussion.

Councilperson Maar shared a compliment from the Seymour Library Director commending the Highway Department and Buildings and Grounds Department for their snow removal efforts at the library.

Councilperson Maar has requested an update from Monroe Ambulance and will reach out to have them attend a meeting.

Councilperson Sharpe spoke with Dog Control to set up a visit to the shelter in Hamlin. The Farmers Museum Committee will meet in March. They have been conducting an inventory of items in the museum. Mr. Sharpe will share the inventory list with the Town Hall when completed. Councilperson Sharpe will reach out to Dog Control to confirm a date for the 2026 free rabies clinic.

Supervisor Hayles met with Brian Ingraham and the NYS DOT to discuss the section of Route 19 from Route 31 through the Village of Brockport. That section is not on their upcoming list of road improvements and funding is committed to other projects until after 2030. They discussed other possible options.

Supervisor Hayles attended the NY Association of Towns conference attending sessions on interactions between the Town Board and their municipal departments, legislative initiatives, funding for road work, and the 2% tax cap.

Supervisor Hayles also reported that NYS DOT will be sharing comments received on the proposed round-about at the Redman Road and Route 31/31A intersection. Mrs. Hayles attended the Monroe County Supervisors' meeting; scheduled a meeting with MRB Group to discuss grant funding for roadwork and review of the Comprehensive Plan and Park Master Plan; met with Village Mayor Ben Reed; and toured the Town with Building Inspector Robert LaPoint to discuss several property maintenance issues.

Supervisor Hayles participated in a conversation with NYAOT and the Governor's office regarding the budget. There are grant funds available for local municipalities. The Governor's office is asking for suggestions on cutting red tape by the state.

Supervisor Hayles attended an event at the Memorial Art Gallery with the Town Historian. Mrs. Hayles contacted the Seymour Library to discuss any events planned for the

250th anniversary of the Revolutionary War. Many of their programs will focus on the revolution.

Supervisor Hayles reported that the Planning Board received a solar farm application. The applicant intends to submit an incentive zoning application to the Town Board for consideration.

Supervisor Hayles contacted NYS DEC regarding the Ace Cleaner property to ask why and how the property got moved up for demolition and what happens to the property after the remediation.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilperson Sharpe made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Maar to approve the Consent Agenda item as listed below.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Councilperson Maar	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Aye</u>

ADOPTED

- RESOLUTION NO. 46 Authorizing Spring Clean-up for 2026

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has recommended to the Town Board that special spring clean-up days be set for the Town of Sweden.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Spring Clean-up for the Town of Sweden for 2026 shall be during the week of April 27, 2026 through May 1, 2026.

Sec. 2. That the Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to execute said refuse operation in the Town of Sweden.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of the regular meeting of the Town Board held on January 27, 2026

Councilperson Sharpe made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Staskiewicz to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Board held on January 27, 2026.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Councilperson Maar	<u>Abstain</u>
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Aye</u>

ADOPTED

- Approval of the regular meeting of the Town Board held on February 10, 2026

Councilperson Maar made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Staskiewicz to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Town Board held on February 10, 2026.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Councilperson Maar	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Abstain</u>	
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Abstain</u>	
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Aye</u>	ADOPTED

- Approval for Payment of Bills

All the Board members reviewed the invoice audit journal. Councilperson Sullivan made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Maar authorizing payment of the bills in Abstract 2 dated February 24, 2026 in the amount of \$1,567,621.85.

General Fund: In the amount of \$86,257.81 as set forth in Abstract 2 dated February 24, 2026.
Highway Fund: In the amount of \$104,702.61 as set forth in Abstract 2 dated February 24, 2026.
Special Fund: In the amount of \$7,597.36 as set forth in Abstract 2 dated February 24, 2026.
Capital Fund: In the amount of \$7,118.50 as set forth in Abstract 2 dated February 24, 2026.
Brockport Fire District: In the amount of \$1,361,945.57 as set forth in Abstract 2 dated February 24, 2026.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Councilperson Maar	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Aye</u>	
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Aye</u>	
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Aye</u>	ADOPTED

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No additional business or announcements.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilperson Sullivan made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Sharpe to go into executive session at 6:31 p.m. subject to Public Officer’s Law Section 105 (f) to discuss a personnel matter. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

No action taken.

Councilperson Sullivan made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Sharpe to leave executive session and return to the regular meeting at 7:13 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Sharpe moved to adjourn the February 24, 2026 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 7:14 p.m. Councilperson Maar seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting
Town Clerk