

TOWN BOARD  
GARNERVILLE, NY  
JANUARY 13, 2026

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw met at a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names:

Supervisor	Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman	Isidro Cancel (Absent)
Councilman	Vincent J. Gamboli (Absent)
Councilman	Ralph W. Kirschkel
Councilman	Johnny Ortiz

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**62-26 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 9, 2025, TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 22, 2025 AND AND REORGANIZATION MEETING OF JANUARY 8, 2026** as submitted by the Town Clerk and on motion by Councilman Ortiz, seconded by Councilman Kirschkel were unanimously adopted.

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz, and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**63-26 RESOLVED, RESOLVED**, that bills numbered 3708 through 3890 in the amount of \$6,677,707.56 (\$38,667.41 – Highway Department); and bills numbered 1 through 145 in the amount of \$3,005,743.22 (\$94,964.82 – Highway Department) audited at this meeting, be and they are hereby paid.

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**64-26 RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw does hereby accept the Police Department Activity Report for the month of December 2025.

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**PUBLIC HEARING - TO DISCUSS THE TOWN'S APPLICATION FOR AN  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) BROWNFIELDS CLEANUP  
GRANT, AS IT RELATES TO THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE  
LETCHWORTH PROPERTY**

The Town Board of the Town of Haverstraw held a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 7:05 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Town Hall, One Rosman Road, Garnerville, New York.

On Roll Call the following members answered to their names

Supervisor	Howard T. Phillips, Jr.
Councilman	Isidro Cancel (Cancel)
Councilman	Vincent J. Gamboli (Absent)
Councilman	Ralph W. Kirschke
Councilman	Johnny Ortiz

Supervisor Phillips announced that this Public Hearing is being held to discuss the Town's application for an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Cleanup Grant, as it relates to the property known as the Letchworth Property.

The Town Clerk read the proof of publication.

**PRESENTATION BY CONSULTING ENGINEER MICHAEL TAMBLIN, P.E**

Michael Tamblin, P.E. stated that the Town is applying for the grant to clean up the Town-owned Letchworth site, which contains several dilapidated structures from the former Letchworth facility. If the grant is approved, the Town intends to demolish the buildings, and remove all materials from the site. Holding this public hearing to gather community input is a formal requirement of the application process for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Cleanup Grant.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Supervisor Phillips stated to let the record note that no public comment was offered.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

**65-26** On motion by Councilman Kirschke and seconded by Councilman Ortiz unanimously adopted, the Public Hearing was closed.

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**APPOINTMENT OF GREGORY J. GRANGE TO THE POSITION OF  
GROUNDSWORKER FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW PARKS DEPARTMENT**

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by all of the Town Board Members.

**66-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY APPOINTS GREGORY J. GRANGE OF GARNERVILLE, NEW YORK TO THE POSITION OF GROUNDSWORKER, FULL TIME FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW PARKS DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 12, 2026, AND BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED, THAT THIS APPOINTMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND MR. GRANGE SHALL RECEIVE AN HOURLY RATE OF \$29.00.**

**CREATE ONE (1) GROUNDSWORKER - FULL TIME POSITION FOR THE TOWN  
OF HAVERSTRAW PARKS DEPARTMENT**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**67-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY CREATE ONE (1) GROUNDSWORKER, FULL TIME POSITION FOR THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW PARKS DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 13, 2026, AND BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED, THAT THE CREATION OF THIS POSITION IS SUBJECT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL.**

**ADOPTION OF 2026 GOLF RATES AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW  
PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**68-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, DOES HEREBY ADOPT THE 2026 GOLF RATES AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE (SEE ATTACHED 2026 RATES.)**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH  
THE LANDTEK GROUP, INC.**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**69-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LANDTEK GROUP, INC. OF BAY SHORE, NEW YORK FOR THE MAINTENANCE SERVICE OF THE SYNTHETIC TURF FOR THE MULTI-PURPOSE FIELD AND THE CHALLENGER FIELD AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW RECREATION COMPLEX AT A COST OF \$8,100.00, LEVEL III WHICH INCLUDES THREE (3) DEEP GROOMING SESSIONS ON EACH FIELD WITH ONE (1) FREE G-MAX TEST ON EACH FIELD FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.**

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS, AUTHORS & PUBLISHERS (ASCAP) AND THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**70-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS, AUTHORS & PUBLISHERS (ASCAP) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A LICENSE AGREEMENT TO THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW TO USE MUSIC AND TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE COPYRIGHT LAW FOR TOWN FESTIVALS, FIREWORK CELEBRATIONS, ETC. AT AN ANNUAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$550.00 FOR THE 2026 LICENSE.**

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THOMAS J. MAGLARAS AND CARL LINDSLEY, NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL AGENTS & THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW – WOODCHUCKS**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**71-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THOMAS J. MAGLARAS AND CARL LINDSLEY, NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL AGENTS TO TRAP WOODCHUCKS AND REMOVAL AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW LANDFILL AT A PRICE OF \$1,400.00 AS THE INITIAL SETUP FEE AND \$140.00 PER WOODCHUCK CAUGHT, AND AT A PRICE OF \$950.00 AS THE INITIAL SETUP FEE AND \$140.00 PER WOODCHUCK CAUGHT AT BOWLINE POINT PARK FOR THE YEAR 2026.**

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THOMAS J. MAGLARAS AND CARL LINDSLEY, NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL AGENTS & THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW – CANADIAN GOOSE EGGS**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**72-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THOMAS J. MAGLARAS AND CARL LINDSLEY, NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL AGENTS TO ADDLE CANADIAN GOOSE EGGS AT VARIOUS TOWN PROPERTIES AT A COST OF \$6,000.00 FOR TWO VISITS, 10-15 DAYS APART FOR THE YEAR 2026.**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH EMPLOYEE SYS-004886**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**73-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH EMPLOYEE NUMBER SYS-004886 TO ACCEPT A LETTER OF RESIGNATION AND AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE TERMS OF THE RESIGNATION.**

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**AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH  
EMPLOYEE ID NUMBER 992497**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**74-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO A TERMINATION AGREEMENT WITH EMPLOYEE ID NUMBER 992497.**

**ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL  
GOLF COURSE**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**75-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TRACTOR COMPANY FROM BRANCHBURG, NEW JERSEY TO ACQUIRE ONE (1) WORKMAN UTX GAS MODEL 08100 WITH ACCESSORIES, AND SET UP FEE (\$26,751.22), AND ONE (1) AQUAAD IMANTS ROOT PRUNER 825A1001 (\$22,341.50), FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE UNDER NEW YORK STATE CONTRACT PC69682 GROUP 40625 AWARD # PGB22792 FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$49,092.72.**

**AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERMUNICIPAL  
AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND INTELLIGENCE CENTER,  
REGIONAL INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCE CENTER AND THE TOWN OF  
HAVERSTRAW**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**76-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW HEREBY AUTHORIZES SUPERVISOR PHILLIPS TO SIGN FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND INTELLIGENCE CENTER, REGIONAL INVESTIGATIVE RESOURCE CENTER AND THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, AND BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED, THAT IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED THAT THE AGREEMENT IS AMENDED TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE JULY 24, 2025 INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FROM JANUARY 1, 2025 AND TERMINATING ON DECEMBER 31, 2025 TO AMEND THE TERMINATION DATE TO DECEMBER 31, 2026.**

**APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH ADP GROUP, INC. - PHILIP J.  
ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE BRIDGE DECKING REPLACEMENT**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**77-26 BASED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF MICHAEL TAMBLIN, PROJECT ENGINEER OF TAMBLIN ENGINEERING, PLLC, THE TOWN BOARD HEREBY APPROVES CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF POLE SUPPORTS, TIES AND BRACES AT BRIDGE HOLE #13 FOR THE PHILIP J. ROTELLA MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE BRIDGE DECKING REPLACEMENT AT A COST OF \$13,613.29.**

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**AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH  
THE LANDTEK GROUP**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**78-26 WHEREAS, ON DECEMBER 3, 2025, A VEHICLE CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE FENCE AND GATES AT THE PICKLEBALL COURTS LOCATED AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW RECREATION COMPLEX; AND**

**WHEREAS, THE REPAIR OF SAID DAMAGE HAS BEEN QUOTED AT A COST OF \$6,479.55, WHICH IS TO BE FULLY COVERED BY THE INSURANCE OF THE VEHICLE OPERATOR;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LANDTEK GROUP OF BAY SHORE, NEW YORK TO REPAIR THE DAMAGED FENCE AND GATES AT THE PICKLEBALL COURTS AT THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW RECREATION COMPLEX, WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED PER THE CONTRACT DATED JANUARY 31, 2025.**

**ACCEPTANCE OF LETTER OF RETIREMENT – POLICE SERGEANT  
BRIAN BLOCK**

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted by all of the Town Board Members.

**79-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, DOES HEREBY ACCEPT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FOR POLICE SERGEANT OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW POLICE DEPARTMENT, BRIAN BLOCK. EFFECTIVE JANUARY 26, 2026.**

**AWARD OF RFQ NO. 1 -2026 – PRINTING AND MAILING OF 2026  
GOLF BROCHURES**

Councilman Ortiz offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Kirschkel and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**80-26 RESOLVED, THAT THREE (3) REQUEST FOR QUOTES WERE REQUESTED AND ONE (1) WAS SUBMITTED TO OLIVIA HITCHINGS, SENIOR CLERK, FOR THE SERVICE OF PRINTING AND MAILING THE 2026 GOLF COURSE BROCHURES, AND BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY AWARD RFQ NO. 1 - 2026 TO STAR PRESS PRINTING OF VALLEY COTTAGE, NEW YORK, THE LOWEST QUOTE, AT A COST OF \$1,540.00.**

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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BROWN & WEINRAUB  
ADVISORS, LLC**

Councilman Kirschkel offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Ortiz and on roll call unanimously adopted.

**81-26 RESOLVED, THAT THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW DOES HEREBY RETAIN THE SERVICES OF BROWN & WEINRAUB ADVISORS, LLC OF ALBANY, NEW YORK TO PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY REPRESENTATION IN NEW YORK ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW BEGINNING ON JANUARY 8, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026 AT A MONTHLY FEE OF \$5,000.00, PLUS DISBURSEMENTS.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Roberto A Garchana, Garnerville, NY stated that he is concerned about ICE coming into Haverstraw and picking up illegal immigrants, and also stated that the way ICE is going about it is intimidating and threatening to the public.

Supervisor Phillips stated that ICE has not contacted the Town of Haverstraw Police Department, and that Mr. Garchana's comments would be taken into consideration.

A few people spoke to reinforce what Mr. Garchana stated and Supervisor Phillips thanked them for their comments.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day will be observed on Monday, January 19, 2026. We would like to wish our community a meaningful Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Let's honor Dr. King's legacy by reflecting on his vision and finding ways to serve our neighbors.

The next Town Board meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**82-26** Supervisor Howard T. Phillips, Jr. stated that he would like to close tonight's meeting in memory of Lucy N. Nicks, Anthony "Tony" J. DeFeciani, William Huertas, Miguel Anthony Viggiani, Olga B. (Shurman) Blizzard, Joseph M. Bernardo, Ninoska Lopez, John Hickey, Jr, Adelia Rivera, Luigi DeLucia, Robert Aguilar, Patricia C. Flaherty, John Louis Carson, Catherine Macaulay and Ana Rita Vasquez who recently passed away. A motion was made by Councilman Ortiz, seconded by Councilman Kirschkel, and unanimously adopted and the Town Board Meeting was adjourned.

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**RAQUEL VENTURA  
TOWN CLERK**