

Minutes of January 27, 2026, Germantown Town Board Special meeting, held in the Germantown Town Hall, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown, NY and via Zoom, commencing at 8:12pm.

Present: Supervisor Helsley
Councilman Sullivan
Councilman Kukon
Councilmember Suarez
Councilman Christian

Town Attorney, Corinne Smith

Also Present: Tatiana Carayannis, Recreation Committee

Recorded by: Town Clerk, Joyce Vale

Supervisor Helsley opened the Special Town Board meeting. Councilman Christian explained there are two issues out of the five parcels owned by the Town for Palatine Park only two parcels are coded in the park area. Councilman Christian said Parks & Recreation want it all coded the same. Councilman Christian would like guidance from Corinne on how to get around this. Corinne said if Town Assessor Cheryl Kaszuga can change those assessment classification codes. Corinne said maybe a long term solution would be to leave out some of those parcels from the application. Corinne said that the title search has not come back yet. Corinne suggested that maybe the town could do a lot line adjustment. Corinne again suggested submit the application now and exclude what you can. Councilman Christian said a survey is required of the entire park. Supervisor Helsley said the second issue is that costs have skyrocketed. Tatiana said Anthony sent the specs to Colarusso's, the asphalt base materials are \$63,400. Tatiana brought up concrete base and Councilman Kukon said the concrete cost would be close to the asphalt price. Supervisor Helsley said the concrete guy wants to do all the work themselves. Councilman Christian said it is a 90/10 grant, the town would have to come up with 10%. Tatiana said the projected project would be \$126,700.00 and accessories would be \$16,500 then with boundary, water, archeological survey the total I \$143,000.00

Supervisor Helsley read the following Resolution:

TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF GERMANTOWN
COLUMBIA COUNTY, NEW YORK

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO NYS
OPRHP FOR ENVIRONMENTAL BOND ACT MUNICIPAL PARKS AND RECREATION
GRANT PROGRAM

Dated: January 27, 2026

WHEREAS, the Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022 (the "Bond Act"), through Article 58, Title 5 of the Environmental Conservation Law, provides that recreational infrastructure projects are eligible for Bond Act funding administered through the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation ("OPRHP") and the Municipal Parks and Recreation Grant Program ("MPR"); and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Committee, in consultation with the Town Board, has prepared an MPR grant application to request funding for development of pickleball courts at Palatine Park; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Germantown hereby directs and authorizes submission of the MPR grant application to OPRHP and authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute any documents necessary for submission of the grant.

On a motion by Councilmember Suarez, and seconded by Councilman Christian and having been approved by a majority of the Board, this Resolution was declared duly adopted by the Town of Germantown Town Board.

Joyce Vale, Town Clerk

Motion to adjourn at 8:35pm made by Councilman Kukon, seconded by Councilman Sullivan, with all in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,