TOWN OF PENDLETON
WORK SESSION and BUDGET MEETING
October 26, 2026

A Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton was held at the Town Hall, 6570 Campbell Blvd., Pendleton, NY, on the 23rd day of March, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was open to the public.

WORK SESSION

Supervisor Maerten called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Maerten, Councilman Buechler, Councilman Lukasik, Councilman Rumbold and Councilman Kantor were present.

Also present:
Noreen Lemma – Town Clerk
David Fischer – Highway/Water & Sewer Superintendent
Mark Walter – Deputy Supervisor
Tom Maturski – Budget Director
Tracy Graczyk – Deputy Town Clerk

There were six residents in attendance.

RESOLUTION 194-26
Approving Highway Department Hire
Motion by Councilman Lukasik, seconded by Councilman Kantor, the following resolution was
ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Maerten, Buechler, Kantor, Lukasik, Rumbold
Nays 0
Absent 0

NOW, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton on this 26th day of October 2026, that Sebastian Zirilli is appointed to the position of Truck Driver assigned to the Highway Department at Step 4 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that Sebastian Zirilli will move to the next pay scale step on the one (1) year anniversary of his first date of employment; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the anticipated start date will be determined upon appropriate notification of the appointee's current employer. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION 195-26
APPROVING WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT HIRE
Motion by Councilman Buechler, seconded by Councilman Rumbold, the following resolution was
ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Maerten, Buechler, Kantor, Lukasik, Rumbold
Nays 0
Absent 0

NOW, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton on this 26th day of October 2026, that Tyler Peiffer is appointed to the position of Laborer assigned to the Water & Sewer Department at Step 2 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that Tyler Peiffer will move to the next pay scale step on the one (1) year anniversary of his first date of employment; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the anticipated start date will be determined upon appropriate notification of the appointee's current employer. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION 196-26
AUTHORIZING SEWER EXPENDITURE
Motion by Councilman Kantor, seconded by Councilman Buechler, the following resolution was
ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Maerten, Buechler, Kantor, Lukasik, Rumbold
Nays 0
Absent 0

WHEREAS, the Town of Pendleton Water & Sewer Department has standardized the use of pump equipment manufactured by Equipment One Corporation (E/One); and

WHEREAS, Siewert Equipment has been designated by resolution of the Town Board as the sole source supplier for E/One equipment, parts, and components; and

WHEREAS, a request for an expenditure for repair of sewer equipment has been presented to the Town Board for consideration by the Water & Sewer Superintendent.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton on this 26th day of October 2026 that the proposed expenditure of $11,521.90 for sewer equipment components, as quoted by Siewert Equipment, is approved. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET SESSION/MEETING

RESOLUTION 197-26
Approving Modification to 2027 Budget
Motion by Councilman Lukasik, seconded by Councilman Kantor, the following resolution was
ADOPTED: Ayes 5 Maerten, Buechler, Kantor, Lukasik, Rumbold
Nays 0
Absent 0

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton on this 26th day of October 2026 that the budget for 2027, as presented, shall be modified as follows:

Fire Fund		
SF-3410-400	Fire Protection District	$514,680
General Fund		
A00-1420-410	Attorney – Contractual	$19,000
A00-1420-430	Attorney – FOIL	$1,000
Water Fund		
SW0-10010	Real Property Tax	$51,765
SW0-8320-400	Source Water Supply	$287,765

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The Budget Director reviewed the proposed tax rates and taxable assessed values, incorporating information provided by the Assessor's Office and Niagara County's Highway Tax figures. The tax rates are preliminary estimates at this time and will be updated and finalized prior to the issuance of the formal notice. The Town Council discussed new construction, the tax cap, and any anticipated major developments for 2027. The Council also reviewed and discussed quotes received for soundproofing at the Community Center. Additionally, the Council inquired whether Niagara County sales tax revenues were on track for the year. The Budget Director expressed confidence in the current revenue figures and projections. Councilman Buechler inquired whether the Town of Pendleton is a Fire District. Supervisor Maerten clarified that it is not.

Motion by Councilman Lukasik, seconded by Councilman Kantor, to adjourn from the Work Session at 7:15 p.m. Motion carried.

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Noreen E. Lemma, Town Clerk