

**Town of Rockbridge  
Monthly Town Board Meeting  
February 19th, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of the Town of Rockbridge was held on Thursday, February 19th, 2026, at the Rockbridge Town Hall.

**1. Call to Order:** Nick Perna, town chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., noting it had been properly posted, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**2. Roll Call:** Doug Duhr, Nick Perna, Jeff Falk, Beth Kepler, and Sharon Miller, were present. Also present was Scott Banker and Leonard Frye.

**3. Approval of the Agenda:** Doug made a motion to table line b under residential building inspector of the agenda until the March meeting. Doug then approved the agenda as written and Jeff seconded the motion. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

**4. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:** The board looked over the minutes. Doug made a motion to correct the typo exposing of the old bulbs to disposing of the old bulbs. Nick seconded the motion. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

**5. Building and Driveway Permits:** Zoning Administrator Scott Banker had no permit applications.

**6. Rural Fire District Report:** Scott gave the report as one fire on Section Hollow. The clerk had already paid this bill, for the Eric Brunner fire. Also, Scott reported that the township had paid for a fire call for a resident, and their insurance company had paid the fire department as well for the same call. Therefore, the fire department will need to reimburse the Town of Rockbridge.

**7. Financial Report:** Treasurer Beth Kepler gave this report with an ending balance of \$632,452.56. Beth also noted the town had received first quarter Transportation Aid of \$24,348.30. Nick moved to approve the

report, with a change from November to January at the top of the report. Doug seconded the motion. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

**8. Bills:** The bills were presented to the board by the clerk, Sharon Miller, with a balance of \$23,474.53. \$476,669.61 of February pass-through monies from taxes will be added to that amount bringing the total to \$500,144.14. Nick signed up for a government program through Premier which will give us a discount on our bills for diesel. Doug moved to approve the bills and Jeff seconded the motion. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

**9. Patrolman's Report:** Austin will need to put road bans up and make sure all tubes are running. They are still working on Ross's road and staying within the road right away. They continue to work on truck repairs.

**10. Equipment:** Austin is requesting permission for the purchase of a Tork wrench as well as a pipe wrench. Doug moved to approve \$600.00 for purchase of tools and Jeff seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried. It was discussed to check out Harbor Freight. Also, we are still looking for a sander.

**11. Spring Clean-up:** Spring Clean-up is set for April <sup>25</sup>~~26~~<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 8:00 a.m. to noon. Nick is working on getting quotes for the dumpsters to present at the March meeting.

**12. Zoning Administrator Appointment:** Nick acquired from the Towns Association Attorney if this position could be filled by a sitting board member, and was told it should not be, due to conflict of interest and liability. Therefore, Nick moved to reappoint Scott Banker as administrator for the 2026 term which will end December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Doug seconded, all in favor; aye, motion carried. It was discussed that building and driveway permit fees will be put on the March agenda for possible action.

**13. Insurance Policy Quotes:** Nick checked into several companies and found that Rural is one of the few companies to cover townships. Therefore, for now we will stay with Rural Insurance.

**14. Garbage Refund for Mr. Gedwill Sr. Property:** Mr. Gedwill Jr. is requesting a refund for the past three years of garbage fees, since his father had been in a nursing home and just recently died. It was decided by the board that there will be no refund.

**15. Citizen Comments:** There was discussion about parking at the end of Hall Lane where the Garbage trucks need to turn around.

**16. Set Next Monthly Meeting:** The next monthly meeting will be March 12th, 2026, at 6:00.

**12. Adjournment:** Doug moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. and Jeff seconded. All in favor; aye, motion carried.

Sharon Miller, Clerk