

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF REDFIELD, APRIL 14, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Redfield Town Board was held on April 14, 2026 at the Redfield Municipal Building at 7:00pm. Roll call was taken and the following board members were present:

- Mitchell Yerdon - Supervisor
- Terry Harlander - Councilman
- Carla Bauer – Councilwoman
- Doris Montieth- Councilwoman
- Elaine Yerdon - Councilman

In addition, Russell Montieth -Highway Superintendent, Nick Smith - Assessor, Ed Montieth Michael Yerdon – Code Enforcement Officer and Town Clerk – Susan Hough Pledge of the Allegiance was said.

Resolution 26-31

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Terry Harlander that the General Fund Bills - Abstract #04 Vouchers 72-86,92,98,100,101 Totaling \$ 30,866.93 and Light District #1 - Abstract #04 Voucher 99 Totaling \$ 665.52 Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 M. Yerdon, T. Harlander, E. Yerdon, C. Bauer, D. Montieth
Nays 0

Resolution 26-32

Motion was made by Terry Harlander and seconded by Elaine Yerdon that the Highway Fund Bills - Abstract # 04 Vouchers 84-97 Totaling \$ 33,549.05 Be paid.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 M. Yerdon, T. Harlander, E. Yerdon, C. Bauer, D. Montieth
Nays 0

Resolution 26-33

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Carla Bauer that the Supervisors Report and Payroll Sheets be accepted as presented.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 M. Yerdon, T. Harlander, E. Yerdon, C. Bauer, D. Montieth
Nays 0

TOWN CLERK – SUSAN HOUGH

We had 6 dog licenses. The Tug Hill Commission Local Government Conference is Tuesday; Yvonne has an appointment and can't work. Would you like me to go to the training or work? The Board was in agreement for the Town Clerk to attend training. She will also email the Board of Assessment to remind them of Grievance Day, May 26th.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT - RUSSELL MONTIETH

Russell – we didn't win the bid on the Grader; it went for over \$ 50,000. We need someone to mow with Wendy this summer. Some plow trucks have been changed over to dump trucks, we have to keep two plow trucks until April 30. We've had a lot of rain, flooding, washouts, Waterbury Road shoulder and Harvester Mill – cut-out and repaired. No action on FEMA, an extension was submitted but no reply yet. He will be in Oswego tomorrow for an Ice & Snow Contract audit, to verify paperwork. No night shift and we're going to 4 days next week with the agreement the employees are available on Fridays. The new truck is being built, about six weeks to take it, goes to Tracey for inspection then to us.

CM T. Harlander – how much have the trucks gone up. Russell about \$ 50,000. Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon – has talked with Russell, we have an older truck but would rather get rid of the 2017 and keep the 2014, the 2017 is a money pit, about \$25,00 per year in repairs.

ASSESSOR - NICK SMITH

Nick – the site is down, the State-owned land – they assess their own land. Assessment is going down. Equalization rate is at 53%, it will definitely change. Tentative Roll will be out next week. Advertising will be in the paper with Grievance Day May 26th, he'll let Town Clerk know the time.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – MICHAEL YERDON

Mike – permits have picked up. He attended training in Syracuse, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. These are the biggest code changes he's ever seen. Building Codes – Residential Heating, Energy – a lot more stringent changes. Any house built 1500 sq ft – Engineered Drawings. Twelve hours was advanced mandatory training – massive. It will be costing more to build. He has more studying to do. He thinks it will be a good construction year. He will file his year-end report tomorrow with NYS. CW E. Yerdon – have you started getting RV permits? Mike – yes they've started coming in, he got some today.

COUNTY LEGISLATOR – MICHAEL YERDON

Mike – a week ago they met with National Grid regarding the energy costs rising. National Grid stated most of the rates are set by the PSC and they regulate the rates, every three years it's looked at. CW C. Bauer – it's the same in Rhode Island. Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon – changed our energy plan with NYG&E (New York G&E) supplier, it's back to National Grid. Mike – NYS DEC Wetlands – expanded by a million acres, the State Supreme Court denied the change stating the NYS DEC and Core of Engineers failed as to why or a reason they needed to change them. CW D. Montieth asked what they do to get a Variance. Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon – have them call me.

Supervisor - Mitchell Yerdon

The cemetery maintenance – we budgeted \$ 10,000 to start fixing stones. He doesn't want to put it out for bids. Our procurement policy is \$ 5,000 you don't have to bid, \$ 10,000 don't have to bid but should consider it. Artisan Engraving, LLC in Sandy Creek is getting on the NYS list – they've worked with Pulaski & Richland. We've never done a project to fix the head stones.

Resolution 26-34

Motion was made by Carla Bauer and seconded by Elaine Yerdon to authorize Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon to hire Artisan Engraving, LLC from Sandy Creek NY to start fixing the head stones in the Mrytle Cemetery.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 M. Yerdon, T. Harlander, E. Yerdon, C. Bauer, D. Montieth
 Nays 0

Supervisor Mitchell Yerdon – Hybrid the salt shed cover – the company had to apply for a PRC# and haven't gotten back to him yet. The Kelly Prentice is in Justice training school in Albany.

CW E. Yerdon – auditing Dory's books.

Resolution 26-35

Motion was made by Elaine Yerdon and seconded by Carla Bauer to accept Justice Dory Dumas 2025 books.

ADOPTED Ayes 5 M. Yerdon, T. Harlander, E. Yerdon, C. Bauer, D. Montieth
Nays 0

COOPERATIVE TUG HILL COUNCIL – ANGELA KIMBALL

Angie was absent from the meeting; here are her announcements:

REMINDER: The Tug Hill Commission’s 2026 Winter Wildlife webinar series will be concluding this month. The remaining webinar is on Owls and will be presented on April 30th. The webinars all begin at 7 p.m. To sign up for this webinar visit <https://tinyurl.com/WWWRegistration2026>.

REMINDER: Lewis County’s in-person training on “Preparing Your Municipality for Renewable Energy Applications” has been rescheduled for April 27th from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Croghan Fire Hall (6860 Fire Hall St., Croghan). Register for the session [HERE](#).

REMINDER: The NYS Office of Emergency Management is offering “Managing Floodplain Development through the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)” Monday, April 13 through Friday, April 17 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the State Preparedness Training Center, 5900 Airport Road, Oriskany. Attendees should register as soon as possible [here](#). There is no fee for the course, but food, lodging & transportation costs are the responsibility of the participant.

REMINDER: The NYS Town Clerk’s Association Annual Conference has been scheduled for April 19-22 at the Crowne Plaza Albany – the Desmond Hotel.

Registration for this event is now open [HERE](#). Registrations are due by April 10th. There are various registration options and costs, so visit the [Clerk’s Association conference page](#) for more information.

REMINDER: Join ANCA and partners for the 2026 Climate & Energy Conference, “Grassroots to Grid: Bridging Innovation & Community Values,” at the Lake Placid Conference Center to explore relevant climate and energy solutions that align with community values. The conference will be held May 7th and 8th and the cost to register is \$250. Day 1 will include field trips and tours, and the reception and Day 2 will include the learning sessions in three tracks:

Generation and Transmission, Innovation and Community Needs and Involvement. More information at www.adirondack.org/events/2026-climate-energy-conference/. The Syracuse University Environmental Finance Center and representatives from USDA Rural Development will be conducting a training session on Thursday, April 9, from 9:00am to 1:30pm at no cost.

Participants will hear directly from USDA Rural Development staff about recent program and bulletin updates, engineering report and contract document requirements, and environmental review considerations associated with USDA-funded projects. In-person attendance at 727 E Washington St., Syracuse, NY 13210 is encouraged, but virtual attendance can be provided upon request. To attend virtually, please indicate so on the [registration form](#). Lunch is provided. The [New York State Pollution Prevention Institute](#) (NYSP2I) is accepting applications for the [2026-2027 Community Grants Program](#).

This program has supported grassroots projects that improve the health, environmental quality, and economic vitality of New York State communities. Projects that focus on raising awareness and understanding of pollution prevention, encourage adoption of best practices, and create measurable environmental and community benefits at the local level are encouraged to apply. Successful applicants may receive up to \$30,000 to implement initiatives that promote pollution prevention and environmental sustainability in their communities. There are no matching funds required for this grant. The grant is open to community and nonprofit organizations, municipalities and local governments, and public-sector entities. The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on April 24, 2026. The NYS Department of State Division of Cemeteries has announced its 3rd annual Caring for Your Cemetery Day on Saturday, April 25, and/or Sunday, April 26.

Cemeteries may choose one or both dates. The Division of Cemeteries aspires to connect cemeteries with volunteers - both groups and individuals - to assist in clean-up activities, especially volunteer-

run cemeteries with limited maintenance budgets, to help them prepare for the spring season. The idea for the day is to welcome volunteers into cemeteries to help with tasks like cleaning up small debris, trash, and seasonal decorations; planting flowers; removing downed branches, weeds, and overgrowth; scattering grass seed; and other light tasks appropriate for untrained volunteers. For more information including editable flyers and solicitation letters, visit the [Cemetery Resources and Information webpage](#). The NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) has announced \$5.5 million in grant funding available through two programs to help communities protect and modernize water and wastewater infrastructure. Three million is available to help fund initial water quality capital project planning. This grant may fund up to 80% of eligible project costs up to a maximum of \$100,000 per project. Grant [applications](#) are due by 4 p.m. on June 12. Additionally, there is \$2.5 million available to help protect water and wastewater systems from evolving cyber threats. This grant will cover up to \$50,000 for cybersecurity assessments and up to \$100,000 to implement cybersecurity upgrades. Grant [applications](#) are due by 5 p.m. on May 15. The Tug Hill Commission's Metrocount traffic counter season has begun. Contact Chris Barboza (chris@tughill.org, 315-785-2389) or Maria Covey (maria@tughill.org, 315-785-2384) at the Commission office to get on the list for this year. Spots are limited so reserve your spot early. Check out the Metrocount flyer, attached, for more info. DEC Great Lakes program staff have announced the Spring 2026 Great Lakes Action Agenda (GLAA) work group meetings, which will include the Spring 2026 GLAA BasinWide Work Group Kickoff Webinar to share basin-wide updates with all Great Lakes partners, followed by in-person sub-basin work group meetings for regionally focused discussions. The [Basin-Wide Kickoff Webinar](#) will offer opportunities for partners to connect with state agency staff and other partners to learn about and share basin-wide updates, engage with new sub-basin toolkits, and identify near term funding opportunities that can support work group member interests. The webinar will take place on April 24 from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. For more information on the Great Lakes Action Agenda visit their [DEC webpage](#). The next webinar from the NYS Archives is titled "Ask Us Anything about Records Disasters". Protecting state agency or local government records means preparing for and responding to floods, fires, leaks or other disaster-related incidents which could damage or destroy your records. [Register for the webinar](#) and join State Archives' staff for a discussion about the worst occurrences. Bring your questions or listen-in to learn more about disaster preparedness. The session will be held Thursday April 30th from 10 to 11 a.m. and you can send questions in advance to recmgmt@nysed.gov with the subject line "ask us anything" and they will be answered live during the webinar. The governor has announced \$100 million in new grant funding for climate resiliency projects through two programs: the Community Resilience and Flood Risk Reduction Grants Program, administered by the NYS Department of State (DOS); and the Resilient Watersheds Program, administered by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. There is \$40 million available through the [DOS's Community Resilience and Flood Risk Reduction Grant Program](#). Of that, \$20 million is available for Coastal Rehabilitation and Resilience, which includes projects that will strengthen climate resiliency within, and draining into, the New York State Coastal Area and the Coastal Nonpoint Source Boundary. There is also \$20 million available for Inland Flooding and Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Implementation, which includes climate resiliency projects for eligible communities that have participated in the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program. There is a [webinar](#) on this grant program on April 7th, there are a couple of opportunities to submit questions, and the grant application is due June 26th at 4 p.m. The minimum grant award is \$150,000 and there is a 10% match required. The NY Association of Towns Finance and Personnel schools have been scheduled for the spring. There are two sessions of this class available – April 27th and 28th in Canandaigua and May 6th and 7th in Albany. Join them for two full days of dynamic programming featuring the two concurrent tracks. Attendees have flexibility to move between tracks and customize their experience, selecting the sessions that best meet their interests and professional needs. The cost for the class is \$250 for AOT members and \$300 for non-members, if done in

advance. Onsite registration is also available for \$300 member/\$350 non-member. Visit the <https://www.nytowns.org/> for more information or find the registration form [HERE](#). SAVE THE DATES: - There is no April Tug Hill Commission meeting due to the Local Government Conference, on April 20th and 21st at Turning Stone. For more information on sessions and for a paper registration form visit the Commission's website at <https://tughill.org/localgovernmentconference/>. The Tug Hill Commission will be sponsoring another budgeting and accounting class for small municipalities with Laird Petrie in June. The dates have been set for June 18-19 at the Tailwater Inn in Altmar. Cost of the session is expected to be \$125. Registration will begin later in April. More details to follow as we get closer. The CTHC Spring Meeting and Dinner has been scheduled for Thursday April 30th at the Tug Hill Hideaway (1838 Fish Creek Rd., West Leyden). The event starts with social hour at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m., with the meeting to follow dinner. As always, the CTHC will pay for dinner for two representatives from each municipality. Dinner for additional guests will be \$23 (which includes the tip), payable that night at the restaurant. The meeting portion of the evening is free of charge and open to the public. Invitations are out now, so please RSVP to your circuit rider at a meeting or to Angie at angie@tughill.org or 315-599-8825 by April 20th. Hope to see you there!

A motion was made by Terry Harlander and seconded by Carla Bauer to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.
ADOPTED Ayes 5 M. Yerdon, T. Harlander, E. Yerdon, C. Bauer, D. Montieth
 Nays 0

The next Town of Redfield Town Board meeting will be held Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 7:00pm.

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Town Clerk Susan Hough

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