

Village of Painted Post

Planning Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 1, 2026

Time: 5:17 PM – 6:21 PM

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:17 PM.

Members present: Tom Chapman, Hannah Waschezyn, Travis Gasa, Scott Swimley

2. Approval of Minutes

- Motion made by Tom to approve the March 4, 2026 meeting minutes.
 - Seconded by Scott and approved unanimously.
 - Minor corrections noted:
 - Clarification of a name (“Anna” to “Hannah”).
 - Recommendation to include roll call in future meetings.
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3. Business

A. Comprehensive Plan (2017) – Priority Review

Board members discussed and identified priority areas from the Comprehensive Plan:

- Flood Mitigation: Improve drainage and stormwater management.
- Energy Planning: Inventory potential sites for solar, geothermal, and district energy systems.
- Economic Development: Promote redevelopment opportunities, including the Foundry site.
- Land Use & Zoning: Focus on West Water Street and Village Square redevelopment.
- Communication & Outreach: Improve website, business engagement, and public awareness.
- Capital Planning: Support long-term municipal investment planning.

Discussion emphasized aligning redevelopment with community character, encouraging mixed-use development, and improving economic vitality.

B. Village Square Redevelopment Discussion

- Interest in mixed-use redevelopment (commercial with residential above).
 - Challenges noted due to multiple property owners.
 - Potential to leverage “Pro-Housing Community” funding.
 - Consideration of utilizing or repurposing village-owned parking areas.
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C. Infrastructure & Recreation

- Discussion of regional trail development (Chemung Greenway).
 - Interest in improving local bike connectivity and infrastructure.
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D. Village Website Update

- New municipal website approximately 90–95% complete.
 - Transition to “.gov” domain underway.
 - Ongoing effort to upload historical documents and meeting minutes.
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E. Zoning Review – I-2 District (Foundry Site)

- Initial review of permitted and special uses.
 - Discussion included:
 - Flexibility beyond existing deed restrictions.
 - Potential for mixed-use and planned development.
 - Consideration of special use permits for certain commercial activities.
 - Further review to continue at future meetings.
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F. Community Initiatives

- Interest in community beautification (e.g., adopt-a-planter program).
 - Discussion of organizing community events and partnerships.
 - Potential formation of a small task group to coordinate initiatives.
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5. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn was made by Travis and approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 PM.