

**TOWN OF PITTSFORD
ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
JANUARY 5, 2026**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Heinzelman, Caroline Kilmer, Ethan Greene, Kathryn Kosinski, Julie Marcellus, Jim Pippin

ABSENT: Jackie Ebner, Jeanne Powers

OTHERS PRESENT: April Zurowski, Planning Assistant; Leixi Chen, Student Member

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 2

Chairman Heinzelman opened the meeting at 7:00PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Board Member Marcellus motioned to approve the minutes of November 3, 2025, as submitted, seconded by Board Chairman Heinzelman. Following a unanimous voice vote, the minutes were approved, none opposed.

ONGOING UPDATES:

Ms. Zurowski stated that the liaison member to the Communications Department has asked not to be reappointed in the new year. She asked members to submit suggestions for social media posts via email to herself and Holly Jennings. Board Member Kilmer suggested that each member submit posts for topics they are most knowledgeable about instead of rotating monthly responsibility. The Board agreed.

Board Member Kilmer discussed the recent meetings of the Environmental Management Council (EMC). She stated that the most recent presentation was by Madison Quinn, the Sustainability Coordinator for Monroe County, and discussed the Monroe County Climate and Resiliency Plans. She will share the presentation with the Board via email.

Board Member Kilmer discussed the creation of a new EMC subgroup, the Youth EMC, which will include students from different schools throughout the County. There are two schools near Pittsford participating: Mendon High School and The Harley School. She suggested a joint meeting between the Board and local students so the students could learn about issues facing the town. The Board agreed.

TOWN BOARD UPDATES:

Ms. Zurowski stated that the liaison of the Town Board has not been assigned for the new year. Appointments will be established prior to the next meeting.

Ms. Zurowski stated that the Town Board and East Rochester Town/Village Board will host a joint meeting to discuss the annexation of the Northside Salvage Yard from Pittsford to East Rochester. The salvage yard plans to expand into land within the current East Rochester Town/Village lines.

PLANNING BOARD/STAFF UPDATES:

Ms. Zurowski stated that Pittsford Oaks has begun utility work. There are no new applications involving environmental review.

COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE:

Board Member Kosinski shared the draft Buildings Section of the Community Climate Action Plan. The Board agreed to prioritize action items based on community input, which will occur later in the drafting process. The Board reviewed each action item and made edits as needed. Board Member Kosinski stated that she will begin drafting the next section: Electricity and Clean Energy.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Steve Heinzelman adjourned the meeting at 8:18PM.

Respectfully submitted,

April Zurowski
Planning Assistant