

Hillsdale Hamlet Committee meeting notes Sept. 5, 2026

Attendees: Supervisor Mike Dvorchak, committee Chair Shannon Bell, Christine Doctor, Phyllis Granat, Brandon Lentine, Dan Levy, Bart Ziegler

1. Rail trail bridge: The opening ceremony will be run by the NY State Parks and the Harlem Valley Rail Trail Association. The committee decided it will wait until there is firm information about the bridge opening before we plan our own town event.

2. Plants for the western border of Hamlet Park will arrive in the week of Sept. 20. Christine will help coordinate the delivery. Nico Hernandez will arrange equipment for the planting, likely to take place Sept. 27.

3. Pumpkin Fest: The committee will support whatever the Hamlet's businesses arrange.

4. Holiday tree lighting in Cullen Park: First Saturday in December. The committee will discuss this further at the next meeting.

5. Hamlet Park improvements: Bandshell will be installed this fall. Possible future projects include basketball court rebuilding, benches, and a picnic pavilion. Friends of the Hamlet Park community group will help with fundraising. Mike and Bart will look into state funding.

6. Next meeting: Oct. 3, 9 a.m.