

**REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**June 17, 2026**

A Regular Meeting of the Lansing Town Board was held at the Town Hall Board Room, 29 Auburn Road, Lansing, NY, and streamed live on YouTube on the above date at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Ruth Groff, Supervisor, and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Roll call by Deborah K. Munson, Town Clerk, showed the following to be

**PRESENT:**

Judy Drake, Councilperson	Laurie Hemmings, Councilperson
Christine Montague, Councilperson	Joseph Wetmore, Councilperson
Ruth Groff, Supervisor	

**ABSENT:** No one absent

**ALSO PRESENT:** Mike Moseley, Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent, Mary Ellen Albrecht, Bookkeeper, Patrick Tyrrell, Director of Parks & Recreation, Mike Sigler, Tompkins County Legislature, Nathaniel Rogers, Director of Planning, Mark Zuss, John Dennis, Lisa Lincoln, Gay Nicholson, Melissa Sheldon, Lisa Martin, Sabrina Johnston, Herf Sheldon, Renee Vogelsang, Corey Bryant, Allison DeSario, Harold Mills, Maureen Stanhope, Sarah Lounsbury, Marcus Converse, Dan Graybeal, Pete St. John, Lisa St. John, Larry Flynt, Aimee Caffrey, Lee Stepp, Lauren Baker, Corey Baker, John Duthie, Lisa Lincoln, Ken Wolkin, and a few other attendees.

**MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION AT 8-20 VERIZON LANE**

Councilperson Joseph Wetmore, moved to **OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION AT 8-20 VERIZON LANE** at 6:31pm.

Councilperson Laurie Hemmings seconded the motion.

All in Favor – 5                      Opposed – 0

One resident addressed concerns regarding parking and pedestrian access:

- There are several bus stops within walking distance of the facility, suggesting not every visitor would necessarily need a parking spot.
- Is there a sidewalk included in the plans?
  - Maybe the sidewalk cost could be offset by reducing the number of required parking spaces.

**MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING**

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, Councilperson Judy Drake, moved to **CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION AT 8-20 VERIZON LANE** at 6:34 pm.

Councilperson Christine Montague seconded the motion.

All in Favor – 5                      Opposed – 0

**RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING ACTION UNDER SEQRA AND CONDITIONALLY APPROVING SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR INDOOR VOLLEYBALL COURT AT 8 VERIZON LANE**

The Town Board discussed the specifics of the permit with Director of Planning Nathaniel Rogers.

**Jurisdiction over Sidewalks:** Mr. Rogers clarified that while sidewalks could technically be part of a Special Use Permit, they are more commonly addressed during the site plan review. The Town Board agreed to refer the sidewalk suggestion to the Planning Board for consideration during their ongoing review of the parcel.

**Parking Infrastructure:** The Town Board reviewed an "as-built" map to locate a gravel overflow lot situated southeast of the building. It was noted that this area had recently

been used for tree storage, and a condition of the resolution requires the applicant to restore it back to a parking lot.

ADA Requirements: The permit also stipulates that the site must provide a legal ADA parking space.

**RESOLUTION 26-70**

**RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING ACTION UNDER SEQRA AND  
CONDITIONALLY APPROVING SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR  
INDOOR VOLLEYBALL COURT AT 8 VERIZON LANE**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, an Application was submitted for a Special Use Permit by applicant-owner Bill Duthie, in collaboration with St. John Design Group, to operate a volleyball court as an indoor recreation facility at 8 Verizon Lane, being one building located at 8-20 Verizon Lane (Tax Parcel Numbers 30.-1-16.32 and 30.-1-16.31, in the IR Zone); and

WHEREAS, this is a proposed action reviewed under Town of Lansing Code § 270-36 governing Special Use Permits, for which the completed application was received March 17, 2026, and this action is hereby classified as a Type II Action under SEQRA per § 617.5(c) of the SEQRA Regulations such that no further environmental review is required; and

WHEREAS, this action is exempt from the General Municipal Law County Planning referral requirements of General Municipal Law § 239-1, *et seq.*, including as based upon an Intergovernmental Agreement implementing said § 239 dated November 24, 2003; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2026, and in accordance with Town Code § 270-36B, the Planning Board reviewed a permit application from applicant-landowner March 17, 2026, a narrative statement describing the use by St. John Design Group, and other application materials and, in consideration thereof, the Planning Board recommended that the Town Board authorize and approve the proposed Special Use Permit with the condition that all indoor recreation facilities not exceed current parking capacity; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board duly held a Public Hearing on June 17, 2026, upon the Special Use Permit application whereat all evidence and comments were considered, along and together with the requirements of the Town's Code, existing development in the surrounding area, the public facilities and services available, the Town's Comprehensive Plan and land use regulations, and the site characteristics and any related use and development issues; and

WHEREAS, after a duly advertised public hearing, the Town Board hereby makes the following findings for the aforementioned Special Use Permit under Town Code § 270-36(A): (1) the proposed land use or activity is to be located, constructed, and operated so that the public health, safety and general welfare will be protected; and (2) the existence of the proposed land use or activity will not cause substantial injury to the value of other property in the surrounding neighborhood; (3) that adequate landscaping and screening is to be provided; and (4) that adequate off-street parking and loading is provided, and ingress and egress are so designed as to cause minimum interference with traffic on abutting roads; and (5) the proposed land use or activity will not result in excessive erosion and will not increase the volume or velocity of surface water runoff onto abutting properties; and (6) that any proposed water and/or sewage disposal system is determined by appropriate jurisdictional authority to be adequate; and (7) that vibration, glare, odor, heat or noise anticipated from the proposed use can be mitigated; and

WHEREAS, upon due consideration of the foregoing, and deliberation thereupon by the Town Board, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, that final approval of the application for a Special Use Permit at 8 Verizon Lane be and is hereby **CONDITIONALLY APPROVED**, subject to the following conditions:

1. Indoor recreation facilities permitted only at 8 Verizon Lane. Any indoor recreation facilities developed in other areas of the business park must go through a separate Special Use Permit process.
2. The main parking lot must be upgraded to meet the standards included in Town Code § 270-40.8 Parking, with at least 6 spaces available for indoor recreation facilities. All spaces in the main lot must have painted lines as shown on the provided site plan. The overflow lot must maintain sufficient gravel or asphalt paving to serve 11 vehicles.
3. The indoor recreation use must not exceed the current parking capacity of 6 spaces in the main parking lot, and 11 spaces at the overflow lot along the Verizon Lane Extension.
4. The existing noncompliant handicap parking space must be replaced with a handicap parking space that meets all requirements of the 2010 ADA Design Standards, New York State Department of Transportation Standards, and the Town of Lansing Town Code.
5. Additional signage must be provided to prevent individuals visiting the indoor recreational facility from blocking overhead doors serving industrial uses at 8 Verizon Lane, or from interfering with industrial vehicles on the site.
6. The applicant shall obtain and maintain all permits, approvals, and authorizations required by the Town of Lansing, the Tompkins County Health Department, New York State agencies, and any other agency having jurisdiction. Compliance with all applicable federal, state, county, and local laws, regulations, codes, and permit conditions shall be required. Nothing in this Special Use Permit shall relieve the applicant of the obligation to comply with all requirements imposed through any subsequent land use reviews, including but not limited to subdivision or site plan reviews, or reviews and requirements by or from any other authority having jurisdiction.

The question of the adoption of such proposed Resolution was duly motioned by Councilperson Joseph Wetmore, duly seconded by Councilperson Laurie Hemmings, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

Councilperson Judy Drake – Aye	Councilperson Laurie Hemmings – Aye
Councilperson Christine Montague – Aye	Councilperson Joseph Wetmore – Aye
Supervisor Ruth Groff – Aye	

Accordingly, the foregoing Resolution was approved, carried, and duly adopted on June 17, 2026.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – COMMENTS**

#### **Data Center**

Two (2) people from FLX Strong and One (1) person from CLEAN voiced their opposition to the development of the TeraWulf AI Data Center.

- **Petition:** Presented to Town Clerk with 19,718 signatures, to “Reject the Development of an AI Data Center on Cayuga Lake.” Requested it be given to the Town Board and the Planning Board.
- **Water and Power Concerns:** Speakers are concerned about the demand on the electric grid and its potential water usage. The Town Clerk was given documents which are available for anyone to review in the Town Clerk's Office.

- Environmental Risks: Concern was expressed regarding soil contamination. Speakers noted that years of coal burning at the site have left heavy metals like thallium in the soil. They argued that construction without an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and proper remediation could release toxic dust into the air and Cayuga Lake.

### Transportation

One resident advocated for climate-smart transit, suggesting that park-and-ride signs be reworded to promote bus use rather than discourage it. They also supported new trail easements at Bower Road and Stormy View, proposing a path from Placid Terrace to Stormy View to help residents bypass Triphammer Road traffic.

### Town Board Response to Data Center

Supervisor Ruth Groff acknowledged receipt of the petition and confirmed it would be shared with the Planning Board. However, she noted that because the Town has not yet received a complete application from TeraWulf, the Town Board could not offer a formal response to the specific concerns raised at this time.

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – MICHAEL MOSELEY

Submitted the following report to the Town Board and it was included in the meeting packet which was available on Town of Lansing website and as a handout.



## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT** *June 2026*

### **NEW DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING:**

- Construction of the new Department of Public Works building continues to move forward.
- By working with the NYS DEC and Momentum Environmental, we were able to remedy the contaminated soil and water from the historic spill. The water was hauled away, which allowed crews to start the process of backfill and compaction of material. On a positive note, we were able to utilize the Salmon Creek gravel that was dredged by the DPW as the first course of backfill. This helped save money. Also, there were no underground diesel fuel or gasoline tanks found.

### **ROAD WORK AND MAINTENANCE:**

- Crew members installed new shoulders on the newly paved sections of Buck Road and Wilson Road.
- Crews worked at multiple locations throughout the Town to assess and replace culvert pipes as needed. This work includes identifying failing or undersized pipes, removing existing culverts, installing new piping to improve drainage, and restoring the surrounding areas to ensure proper water flow and roadway stability.

### **104 AUBURN ROAD:**

- The new septic system replacement has been completed. The power for the septic system is now controlled within the 1940's highway barn.

### **LOCKERBY HILL ROAD PROJECT:**

- Crew members continue to make improvements to the drainage infrastructure on Lockerby Hill Road following the March 31st flooding. This work is being completed in coordination with the Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation District and T.G. Miller.

**FLEET:**

- Town equipment is routinely serviced and maintained to ensure continued reliable operation.
- DPW received two new pickup trucks and are waiting for the third. Once they are in, two trucks will be auctioned off.

**MS4:**

- Mike Moseley continues to work with the Town of Lansing Codes Department, Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation District and T.G. Miller on SWPPP applications.

**INTERMUNICIPAL**

- The Town of Lansing DPW assisted the Village of Lansing by supplying trucks to haul away asphalt millings from a Village Road Project.

**OFFICE:**

- The Town of Lansing continues to work hand in hand with the Village of Lansing and the Village of Cayuga Heights regarding the Intermunicipal Agreement for Sewer District One.

**MEETINGS ATTENDED BY THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT/DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS:**

- The Highway Superintendent, Mike Moseley, and Secretary, Emmy Stehnach, attended the Annual PERMA Conference: *PERMA (Public Employer Risk Management Association) is a not-for-profit, member-owned association that provides workers' compensation coverage and risk management services to over 800 public entities across New York State. The Annual PERMA Conference is a two-day educational event designed for members to discuss workers' compensation, workplace safety, and organizational wellness. The Town has been with PERMA for 31 years.*
- Deputy Highway Superintendent Jamar Redmond and Highway Superintendent/Director of Public Works Mike Moseley attended the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual School for Highway Superintendents: *The Role of the Superintendent and the Governing Board in Managing the Highway Department, Working Together, The Blueprint for Better Roads” How to Deliver Chip Seal Success, Road Stream Crossing Assessments and Programs, Legal Panel, Working Together Roundtables, The 5 Factors for Chip Seal Success, Bulk Storage, Going on a Low Sodium Diet – Snow & Ice, Social Media for Local Public Agencies: Roles, Policies and Best Practices, Staying Safe in the Right-of-Way, What do you need to know about Asphalt, So, You Want a New Highway Garage, How to Comply with Wetlands Specs, Before the Crash: Winning Highway Claims Before They Are Filed, Obtaining and Retaining Your Crew, Asphalt Paving Panel, Equipment Inspection – Include Proper Rigging for Moving Equipment*
- Deputy Highway Superintendent Jamar Redmond and Highway Superintendent/Director of Public Works Mike Moseley attended Tompkins County Highway Association: *The mission of the Highway Department is to provide highway and bridge construction, maintenance, and emergency services safely, effectively, and efficiently for our local and traveling public customers, while promoting self-esteem and growth as individuals.*
- The Stormwater Coalition of Tompkins County: *The Stormwater Coalition of Tompkins County is an inter-municipal organization formed to assist municipal separate storm systems (MS4s) in cooperation.*
- Water, Sewer, and Stormwater Committee (WSSC): *Responsible for evaluating proposals relating to the Town’s water, sewer and stormwater. The goal is financial and engineering analysis.*
- Engineering and Operations Meeting with Bolton Point: *Responsible for the infrastructure of the municipalities that make up Bolton Point.*
- Highway Barn Committee: *Responsible for working with architects, engineers, and construction managers on the design and development of the new Department of Public Works facility.*
- Lansing Town Department Heads Meetings.

- Capital Improvement Committee.
- Personnel Management Committee.

**PARKS AND RECREATION REPORT – PATRICK TYRRELL**

Submitted the following report to the Town Board.



**June 2026**  
Town Board Report

**Recreation:** Current and upcoming spring programs include summer camps, Lansing Watercats Swim Team, Pitching Clinics, Hitcats Travel Baseball, Youth Softball Skills Clinic, Travel Club Volleyball, Adult Strength & Stretch, Cardio-Step and Morning YogaChi.

- Myers Park Day Camp starts June 29<sup>th</sup> and will run through July 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Our annual Hitcats baseball tournament will be the weekend of June 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Our annual end of season Super Saturday event was a success with end of season games, skills challenges, chicken BBQ and a visit from the Moore Family Donut Truck. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade players are moving on to the next level of baseball and softball.
- Adult Sailing with Hurf Sheldon begins Wednesday July 1<sup>st</sup> at Myers Park in the evenings. The program runs through August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Parks:**

- The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Lansing Car Show was held at Myers Park on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Lansing Celebrates America 250 was a success this past weekend at Myers Park. Thanks to everyone involved for making the event a success.
- Annual Lansing Youth Services Fishing Derby will be held this Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at Myers Park from 7:30am-11am.
- Women Swimmin for Hospicare has met with us multiple times over the last couple of weeks to iron out details on their event.

**Trails:**

- Last week we were finally able to mow the entire trail.
- Thanks to Jack Young for the easement to Bower Road, this will make a nice addition to Lansing Center Trail.
- The crew has been working on culvert washouts.

**Town Hall/Community Center:**

- The HVAC system replacement is complete other than a few carpentry items, which will be completed by a separate HALCO team.
- The Community Center had more issues with the AC units. We once again troubleshooted the problem and got it back going again.
- The Schoolhouse and Community Center roof replacement projects are completed, both look great.
- Our America 250 banners have arrived, and will be up soon.

**Meetings:**

- Department Head
- Personnel Committee
- Inter-Departmental
- Trails Working Group
- Tompkins County Recreation Directors
- Women Swimmin for Hospicare

- LCSD – scholarship and administration
- Paddle-N-More
- Friends of Lansing Center Trail
- Friends of Salt Point
- Lansing’s America 250 committee
- Roof replacement project pre-construction
- HALCO – walkthrough of new system

This is only a very brief overview of what the Parks & Recreation department does. If you have questions or would like to meet with me one on one, please let me know.

**DIRECTOR OF PLANNING REPORT – NATHANIEL ROGERS**

Reported the following:

Administrative Assistant I – Final interviews tomorrow

**TOWN CLERK REPORT – DEBBIE MUNSON**

No report.

**LANSING COMMUNITY LIBRARY REPORT – ANNIE JOHNSON**

Submitted the following report to the Town Board and it was included in the meeting packet which was available on Town of Lansing website and as a handout.

**TOWN BOARD UPDATES  
FROM THE LANSING COMMUNITY LIBRARY  
JUNE 2026**

1. Don’t forget that if the Library is closed, you still have access to Libby, Hoopla, and Kanopy!
2. The Library continues to provide free delivery to Woodsedge. The Library also has a mobile wireless hotspot available for check out. The Wi-Fi is not password protected. The community is welcome to park in the lot to access the Internet.
3. Learn to play American Mah Jongg every Wednesday at 10:00 am.
4. Learn T’ai Chi Fridays from 10:30-11:30
5. The Library has an Empire Pass and a pass to the Museum of the Earth available for check out. Board games, puzzles, story time kits, and STEAM kits are also available.
6. The Library now offers free period products using an Aunt Flow dispenser. There are currently free covid tests available as well.
7. Chair Yoga is offered every Monday at 9:45 am.
8. There is a year-round book sale at the Library. Book donations are currently paused.
9. Story times for the month, Thursdays at 10:30 am: “Ice Cream StoryTime” on 6/4, “Beach Day” on 6/11.
10. The Book Club for Adults will be on 6/16 at 7 pm. The book this month is “Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law” by Mary Roach.
11. Prom Closet is open! Donations can be dropped off during business hours.
12. There will be a toiletry drive from 6/1-6/30. New, unused items can be dropped off.

13. Summer Reading kick off will be on June 20th at 10:30 am, with Hilby the German Juggling Boy. Please see the website for all the events happening this summer! The art contest participants will be the featured art in the Library this month.
14. The Library will be closed on Juneteenth.

### **LANSING YOUTH SERVICES REPORT – RICK ALVORD**

Submitted the following report to the Town Board and it was included in the meeting packet which was available on Town of Lansing website and as a handout.

## **Lansing Youth Services Town Board Report June 2026**

### **Townie Tours**

Mondays, 5/4 - 6/15 Enrollment: 10, Males: 10, Females: 0 Average Daily Attendance: 9. Program Days: 3 Life Skills: Wise use of Resources, Concern for Others

“Townie Tours” is a new, field trip-based program, students travel each week to local destinations to learn about the great resources that are available in Tompkins County. The Cornell University Lab of Ornithology and Cayuga Shores Preserve both provided opportunities to teach youth the etiquette of sharing space with others in public. During the trip to Lansing Pizzeria, to learn how a local business operates and what factors they need to be aware of, students asked questions, learned how the clientele changes between summer and winter, and how to manage ingredients.

### **Outdoor Adventure**

Tuesdays, 5/5 - 6/16 Enrollment: 13, Males: 13, Females: 0 Average Daily Attendance: 11 Program days: 2 Life Skills: Personal Safety, Problem Solving

This round of Outdoor Adventure has been based around fire making and cooking skills. As a few participants have been in this program before, they have taken the reins on making each fire and safely moving coals and a griddle for cooking. Knife safety has also been covered as they carved templates for apple pie cups. A few of the first cups came out a little off, so as they handed off their template to the next person, they would give advice like “don’t add too much oil or make sure it is evenly spread out so it cooks evenly. One student’s apple pie cup kept falling off, so a “veteran” worked with him on a solution- cooking it like a pizza on the griddle.

### **Nature’s Art: Fun with Flora and Fauna**

Wednesdays, 5/6 - 6/17 Enrollment: 6, Males: 4, Females: 2 Average Daily Attendance: 6 Program days: 4 Life Skills: Learning to Learn, Social Skills

Nature’s Art is back, using Nick Neddo’s book as a guideline. Using only natural elements, students have learned how to make artist quality charcoal in a fire, how to turn them into a charcoal pen with pithy or split wood, make their own paint using ground stone, or flowers and mixing with egg yolk. They also learned how to make a variety of paintbrushes using grape vine, pine needles, flowers, and carved sticks. Because the options for art are so vast in the forest, students work together to talk about what works well and what is trickier.

### **Digital Photography**

Thursdays, 5/7 - 6/18 Enrollment: 8, Males: 4, Females: 4 Average Daily Attendance: 7 Program days: 3 Life Skills: Marketable skills, Sharing

Digital Photography opens the world of photography and nature observation to participants. While half of the students are using their own camera, the other half are using Lansing Youth Services and Rural Youth Services cameras. Each week a new student gets to try the DSLR or share it for the day. Participants are given weekly

challenges to photograph; objects, colors, themes, telling a story with a Lego figure, or things in nature. These marketable skills could pave the way for a career, such as a past participant who is now studying journalism and editor of his college’s newspaper. Shadow photography is the next challenge!

**Lunch Times**

Several days per week are spent in the lunchroom interacting with as many tables of students as possible. Sometimes recruiting for upcoming, ongoing, or summer programs, or checking in with students about programs for that day or reminding them of important information for upcoming programs. Time is also spent networking, playing 4 square, basketball, soccer and inside, games like the counting game, mafia, and lots of brainteasers/and riddles. Becoming a familiar face to those students who have not done Lansing Youth Service programs, often resulting in new attendees!

**Lansing Youth Employment**

The youth employee with Lansing Youth Services has been showing big strides in maturity and understanding of the position. He has moved away from being competitive with participants and now engages students, encouraging other students to participate in whatever game is being played. Very cool to witness! The Lansing Public Library Employees are finishing the year strong and looking forward to summer. Many students would like full time work, with several pursuing outside employment opportunities like Scoops, Wegmans, and The Sciencenter.

**Fishing Derby**

This Year’s Lansing Youth Services Fishing Derby is taking place on 6/20/26 from 7:30am to 11:00am. All are welcome to join us! Please spread the word!

**Lansing 250 Celebration**

Lansing Youth Services will also be running games at the Lansing 250 celebration the week before on 6/13, come check out the fun!

**Lansing Summer Skies**

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| Lake Life         | Games in the Grass      |
| Sunshine Crafts   | Sky’s The Limit         |
| Iron Chef         | Cardboard Boat Building |
| Grow Your Own Way | DIY Summer Edition      |

**TOMPKINS COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT – MIKE SIGLER**

Reviewed the report below and submitted it to the Town Clerk.

**Tompkins County Legislator  
Michael Sigler  
June 2026**

Thank you for having me again. I want to start by thanking John Howell for the event on Saturday celebrating the nation’s 250th anniversary. It was well attended and it was great to be in the parade.

The County Legislature met this week to discuss several major initiatives involving County government operations, budgeting, housing, infrastructure, and state advocacy.

A significant portion of the meeting focused on the proposed Center of Government project. Legislators received an update on the design, accessibility, and departmental layout of the new facility. The current proposal remains consistent with the

Legislature's earlier direction, limiting the project to approximately 45,000 square feet with a maximum project cost of \$50 million. Under the latest plan, County Administration and Human Resources would remain in the Old Jail building, while the Department of Planning and Sustainability would continue operating from the Daniel D. Tompkins Building. Construction bids are expected to be solicited later this fall.

The Legislature also heard the proposed 2026-2027 Tompkins Cortland Community College budget. College officials outlined a plan that includes no increase in tuition or fees, a projected five percent increase in enrollment, and continued investments in technology, accessibility improvements, deferred maintenance, and classroom upgrades. Legislators later scheduled a public hearing on the college's operating and capital budgets for July 21.

The Legislature approved a local law that preserves the County's ability to exceed the State's property tax cap during development of the 2027 budget if necessary. Supporters emphasized that the measure does not increase taxes or commit the County to exceeding the cap but simply maintains flexibility during the budget process. The measure passed by the required supermajority vote. I voted against it as I believe it sends a poor message and I'd like us to do everything we can to stay under the cap.

County Administrator Korsah Akumfi provided several operational updates, including ongoing review of the recently adopted New York State budget, strong interest in the Human Rights Program Manager position with more than 37 qualified applicants, and the planned relocation of the Office for the Aging to the Dutch Mill Road facility.

The Legislature also approved \$50,000 in contingent funding for legal assistance services to help eligible residents experiencing housing instability, displacement, or eviction-related legal issues. The temporary program was created in response to urgent housing concerns, including the displacement of residents from portions of the Asteri apartment building. The funding will expand the capacity of legal service providers to offer legal advice and representation to qualifying households, helping residents better understand their rights and navigate housing-related legal challenges. Applications from legal service providers will be accepted through July 17.

Finance Director Darrel Tuttle reported continued strong revenue growth, noting that April sales tax collections increased 12.28 percent compared to the same month last year, with year-to-date collections running 5.72 percent ahead of 2025.

The Legislature also considered several state advocacy resolutions. Two of my resolutions passed. Members approved a resolution urging New York State to fully fund cancer treatment costs beginning with the 2027 State Budget, as well as a resolution supporting legislation extending authorization for rifle hunting of big game in Tompkins County through 2028.

Additional actions included approving new transportation planner positions within the Ithaca-Tompkins County Transportation Council and authorizing implementation of a countywide vehicle telematics system to improve fleet management, maintenance scheduling, and operational efficiency.

The Legislature also issued proclamations recognizing Juneteenth, 2SLGBTQI+ Pride Month, and Women Veterans Month.

Last night's meeting started with special recognitions honoring two outstanding public servants. The Legislature recognized Josh Nalley, Fire Chief and Deputy Director of the Ithaca Tompkins International Airport, for receiving the Lansing Fire Department's 2025 Firefighter of the Year Award and for his many years of dedicated volunteer service to the community. Legislators also honored Harlin McEwen for his decades of leadership in public safety and his continued volunteer work supporting Tompkins County's emergency communications system. He's the former Ithaca Chief of Police.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. **MOTION FOR TOWN OF LANSING TO ACCEPT GRANTS FROM ITHACA TOMPKINS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (“ITCTC”) FOR TWO FEASIBILITY STUDIES**

**MOTION M26-13**

**MOTION FOR TOWN OF LANSING TO ACCEPT GRANTS FROM ITHACA TOMPKINS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (“ITCTC”) FOR TWO FEASIBILITY STUDIES**

Motion to accept the grants from Ithaca Tompkins County Transportation Council (“ITCTC”) in the amount of \$6000 to provide planning to address design and liability considerations for the Greenway Footpaths project in the Town of Lansing and accept \$5000 to provide planning for signage and wayfinding for the Lansing Greenway. The Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to sign both contracts with Tompkins County for these grants.

- b. **RESOLUTION SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. \_ OF 2026 – OVERRIDE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW § 3-C**

**RESOLUTION 26-71**

**RESOLUTION SCHEDULING PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. \_ OF 2026 - OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW § 3-C**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2027; and

WHEREAS, said proposed Local Law proposes: (1) to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Lansing, County of Tompkins pursuant to General Municipal Law § 3-C (2) pursuant to Town Law Article 12-C, governed by the Town Board for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2027 and ending December 31, 2027 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-C; and

WHEREAS, this proposed Local Law if adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law § 3-C which expressly authorizes the Town Board to override the Tax Levy Limit by the adoption of a Local Law approved by a vote of at least sixty percent (60%) of the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, upon deliberation there upon, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing will be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2026, at 6:31 pm, to consider public input and comments upon such proposed Local Law, and to hear all persons, at 29 Auburn Road, Lansing, NY, interested in the subject thereof, and to take such action thereon as is required or permitted by law; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of Lansing, Tompkins County, New York, is hereby authorized and directed to cause a Notice of Public Hearing to be published in the official newspaper of the Town of Lansing, and also to post a copy thereof on the Town signboard maintained by the Town Clerk, in accord with the law.

- c. **RESOLUTION DECLARING 2016 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500 PICKUP TRUCK, 2015 FORD F-250 CREW CAB PICKUP TRUCK, AND A 2013 FORD**

**F-250 PICKUP TRUCK AS EXCESS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OR SALE**

**RESOLUTION 26-72**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING 2016 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500 PICKUP TRUCK, 2015 FORD F-250 CREW CAB PICKUP TRUCK, AND A 2013 F-250 PICKUP TRUCK AS EXCESS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OR SALE**

The following resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the Town Department of Public Works/Highway Department has excess property of a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 Pickup Truck, 2015 Ford F250 Crew Cab and 2013 Ford F250 Pickup Truck that need to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, the equipment named above is thus declared excess property and directed to be sold in a manner as produces fair value, at auction with a reserve; and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation being had thereupon, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, that the following be and hereby are declared as excess property of the Town for which no current or future use is anticipated

1. 2016 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 Pickup Truck (VIN#1GC0KUEG8GZ241821)
2. 2015 Ford F250 Crew Cab Pickup Truck (VIN# 1FT7W2B64FEB14430)
3. 2013 Ford F250 Pickup Truck (VIN# 1FTBF2B64DEB02253)

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent, or his designee, sell the same “as is,” document the sale thereof to verify fair value, and deliver the proceeds of the sale thereof to the Town Budget Officer. The Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent or his designee, be and each is hereby authorized to sign such bills of sale or other documents as are or may be necessary to give effect to this Resolution by and for the Town of Lansing.

**d. RESOLUTION AMENDING TOWN PROCUREMENT POLICY AND ADDING OMNIA PARTNERS AS ALLOWED PIGGYBACKING BID LIST SOURCE FOR COMPETITIVE AND PUBLIC BIDDING AND TOWN PROCUREMENTS**

**RESOLUTION 26-73**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING TOWN PROCUREMENT POLICY AND ADDING OMNIA PARTNERS AS ALLOWED PIGGYBACKING BID LIST SOURCE FOR COMPETITIVE AND PUBLIC BIDDING AND TOWN PROCUREMENTS**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, changes in the General Municipal Law, the Labor Law, rules for public works, competitive and public bidding, and rules for allowed piggybacking upon NYS and cooperative purchasing agencies, together with the passage of time, require that the Town update its 2019 procurement policies; and

WHEREAS, in connection with purchasing needs and the DPW project, the Town undertook analysis and investigation into whether the joint cooperative municipal purchasing agency known as OMNIA Partners could be used by the town for procurements under NYS law; and

WHEREAS, an analysis of OMNIA Partners and Tennessee’s laws respecting procurements, public works, competitive bidding, best value bid rules, and other criteria, was undertaken to determine congruity with the processes and public purposes underlying

procurement and competitive bidding requirements in NYS, including per key criteria identified for such analyses by OSC and OGA; and

WHEREAS, OMNIA Partners has state-specific listings and bidding processed for cooperative purchasing, and several other states have signed-on to directly authorize the use of such agency by municipalities and agencies subject to competitive bidding and public procurement rules, and an overall analysis of Tennessee laws shows solid, but not complete, congruence with NYS public bidding and procurement requirements and public policies of NYS, as some OMNIA Partners bids (but not all) use best value criteria and procedures that would not be relevant or procedurally proper in NYS; and

WHEREAS, this action is classified as a Type II SEQRA Action and, upon due deliberation by the board, it is hereby RESOLVED as follows:

1. The revised and updated Procurement Policy for the Town of Lansing as presented to this meeting is approved, and all staff and officers are directed to utilize the same from this date forward.
2. OMNIA Partners is approved for piggybacking procurements, including as a public bid list exception under General Municipal Law § 103, but in each case subject to the review and reporting requirements set forth in the Town’s Procurement Policy.

**e. RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF NATHANIEL ROGERS TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PLANNING**

**RESOLUTION 26-74**

**RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF NATHANIEL ROGERS TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PLANNING**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, due to a resignation, there is a vacancy for the full-time position of Director of Planning for the Codes and Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, the interview committee has determined that Nathaniel Rogers, currently in the role of Planner, possesses the necessary knowledge and skills to satisfactorily perform the duties of the Director of Planning; and

WHEREAS, Ruth Groff, Town Supervisor, appointed Nathaniel Rogers as the Director of Planning, effective Monday, June 8, 2026; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lansing does hereby ratify the appointment made by the Town Supervisor of Nathaniel Rogers as Director of Planning, effective Monday, June 8, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the hours for the Director of Planning position is scheduled for 40 hours per week, at the bi-weekly salary of \$4,184.00, which is an annual salary of \$108,784.00, from the Office Staff Job Classification “Class II Step 1,” with full time benefits; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a mandatory twenty-six (26) week probationary period applies with no further action by the Town Board if there is successful completion of the probationary period as determined by the Town Supervisor.

**f. RESOLUTION AMENDING AGREEMENT FOR EXPENDITURE OF HIGHWAY MONEYS**

**RESOLUTION 26-75**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING AGREEMENT FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF HIGHWAY MONEYS**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, Organizational Resolution 26-13 § 9 approved the 2026 Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys on January 21, 2026; and

WHEREAS, said agreement stated roads, distance on roads, money for each road, and the general repairs sum of \$945,811.00; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Fiscal Year Budget passed in May 2026 included a \$50 million increase in the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Programs (CHIPS) budget, in which the Town of Lansing has received an additional \$29,143.72 to be put towards local road and highway improvements; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys has been amended to accurately state the new sum of \$974,954.72; so therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 2026 Agreement for the Expenditure of Highway Moneys be amended, approved and signed by the Town Board, Town Supervisor, and Town Highway Superintendent/Director of Public Works.

**g. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION OF BOWER ROAD EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY FOR TRAIL CONNECTION EXTENSION**

**RESOLUTION 26-76**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION OF BOWER ROAD EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY FOR TRAIL CONNECTION EXTENSION**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the Town has master plans to interconnect the Lansing Center Trail (“LCT”) to nearby residential and scenic/rural areas, including to interconnect with existing trail systems and those yet to be constructed; and

WHEREAS, the owners of land along Bower and Conlon Road have agreed to donate a spur along Bower Road to facilitate these connections and future trail plans, and the form of the instrument to convey such rights, the land descriptions for the same, and the survey mapping have been completed and reviewed and approved by the donating landowners (Rea-Young LLC and Barnett-Young LLC), and by town counsel and the Director of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, this is a Type II SEQRA Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(22), (26), and (33) and no further environmental review is required so, upon deliberation thereupon by the Town Board, it has been duly

RESOLVED, that the proposed trail easement along Bower Road is hereby approved and accepted, and that the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute the same on behalf of the Town.

**h. RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION OF EASEMENT FOR STORMY VIEW ROAD TURNAROUND, DRAINING EASEMENT TO TRIPHAMMER ROAD, AND SURRENDER OF PAPER ROAD AND PUBLIC HIGHWAY RIGHTS IN ACRES DRIVE**

**RESOLUTION 26-77**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION OF EASEMENT FOR STORMY VIEW ROAD TURNAROUND, DRAINAGE EASEMENT TO TRIPHAMMER ROAD, AND SURRENDER OF PAPER ROAD AND PUBLIC HIGHWAY RIGHTS IN ACRES DRIVE**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, over 50 years ago developer Alex Cima developed several subdivisions along Hillcrest Road and dedicated several public highways in such area, some of which have been built and in long use, and some of which were merely dedicated as “paper roads” on subdivision plat mappings and thereafter accepted by the Town; and

WHEREAS, such platted and approved paper roads envisioned that development in the area would continue along known developmental lines, but that development never occurred, and some of those paper roads are no longer needed for any existing or future Town highway systems; and

WHEREAS, there was once platted, dedicated, and accepted a paper road known as “Acres Drive” that proposed to connect Stormy View Road to Triphammer Road, but there is no longer a need for such a connection in that area, adding another road at that location would be unsafe, and the Town DPW Director has agreed that the Town only need retain its rights: (1) in the portion of such dedicated highway already developed and in public use as a public highway (a truck turnaround along Stormy View Drive); and (2) in the existing the drainage easement that follows the old subdivision property lines, swales, and drainage facilities leading to Triphammer Road, including because such drainage is critical to the highways and residences along Hillcrest Road and Stormy View Road, and such drainage ways and facilities help protect those public highways by protecting them from damage from floodwaters and generally making them safer for travel by the public; and

WHEREAS, the owner of such property (Bacolas) has offered to formally dedicate easements for the turnaround and drainageway, and the Town has concomitantly agreed to formally quit claim, surrender, and abandon any remaining or other rights it now has, or at one time had, in the paper road known as Acres Drive; and

WHEREAS, this action is a Type II SEQRA Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.5(1), (6), (21), (23), and (33), and therefore no further environmental review is required so, upon deliberation thereupon by the Town Board, it has been duly RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Town hereby quitclaims and surrenders to the current landowner (Bacolas) all rights and title it has in and to said Acres Drive, except as follows: (i) the Town retains and accepts a dedicated easement to maintain a portion of such paper road adjacent to Stormy View Drive that is and has been in use as a public highway as part of the Town public highway system, such portion being located and described in the instruments submitted to this meeting; and (ii) the Town retains and accepts a drainage easement running from Stormy View Drive to Triphammer Road as also located, described, and set forth in the instruments submitted to this meeting.

2. The Town Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to execute the instruments submitted to this meeting to give force and effect to the above resolutions, and the Town Supervisor is further authorized to execute such additional instruments as may hereafter be required or convenient to verify the surrender of rights in the remainder of said paper road as may be hereafter requested by the owner, or any future owner, of the lands upon and over which such paper road was once platted.

**i. RESOLUTION APPROVING DOYLE SECURITY SERVICES CONTRACT FOR ACCESS SYSTEM AND CCTV FOR THE NEW DPW FACILITY AND FORMER DPW BUILDING**

**RESOLUTION 26-78**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING DOYLE SECURITY SERVICES CONTRACT FOR ACCESS CONTROL, CCTV, AND PANIC BUTTON INSTALLATION FOR DPW FACILITIES**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent was charged with exploring and finding a security company that could provide security and access control for the new Department of Public Works (DPW) facility and the former 1968 DPW

building, and after reviewing options from NYS OGS and recognizing that this was a somewhat specialized service that merged goods and services given software recording and remote access monitoring, it was decided that not only is this project exempt from procurement requirements due to such specialized goods and services, but that it was none-the-less prudent to purchase off a bid list as that helps assure best quality and pricing, and achieves the goals of the Town's Procurement Policy and GML § 103; and

WHEREAS, after examining options, interviews, pricing, and the fact that the Town already has services provided by Doyle Security for access control, and it was and remains recommended that the Town contract with Doyle Security Services for this work; and

WHEREAS, Town Counsel has reviewed, negotiated, and updated the services and installation agreement, including to emplace therein all required clauses, from prevailing wage clauses to executory and compliance clauses, and the same has been reviewed and approved by the Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent and Doyle Security Services, and the Town already has the required PRC Number for the DPW project (PRC#2025001247) so, upon a review of such services, such recommendations, and the terms of such agreement and addendum, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, that the contract and addendum with Doyle Security Services be and is hereby approved, and the Town Supervisor may execute the same by and for the Town of Lansing.

**j. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FOR NEW DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING**

**RESOLUTION 26-79**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FOR NEW DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, in August 2024, the Town of Lansing approved a budget for the new Department of Public Works (DPW) building, which included a budget line of \$100,000 for Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment for the facility; and

WHEREAS, the Town requested a quote from Intivity, utilizing the OMNIA Partners bid list; and

WHEREAS, the furniture has been chosen for the new facility, and Quotation #127761 has been received from Intivity with pricing in the amount of \$58,742.74; and

WHEREAS, upon and after due deliberation upon this matter, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has determined as follows, and now be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves moving forward with the purchase of the furniture and fixtures for the new DPW building; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent/Director of Public Works be and hereby is authorized to sign for the purchase of the furniture itemized in Quotation #127761 from Intivity in the amount of \$58,742.74.

**k. RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FROM ONRHO HOME IMPROVEMENT CORP.**

**RESOLUTION 26-80**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FROM ONRHO HOME IMPROVEMENT CORP.**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the contractor, Onrho Home Improvement Corp., was awarded the bid to replace the roofs on the Community Center and the Schoolhouse, with the work commencing in April, 2026; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2026, Onrho submitted a Change Order request, stating that “as part of the ongoing roof replacement operations at the Lansing Community Center project, additional deteriorated roof substrate conditions were identified during demolition and field inspection activities;” and

WHEREAS, “per field review, project coordination, and authorization provided during construction operations, approximately forty-five (45) sheets of plywood substrate replacement were required in order to provide a safe, structurally sound, and proper roofing substrate installation in accordance with the project specifications and contract requirements;” and

WHEREAS, the additional 1,065 SF of plywood cost \$10.00 per SF, Change Order No. 1 was submitted in the amount of \$10,650.00; and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation thereupon, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign Change Order No. 1 from Onrho Home Improvement Corp.

**I. RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND RECLASSIFY CODE POSITIONS IN THE CIVIL SERVICE POSITION LISTING**

**RESOLUTION 26-81**

**RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND RECLASSIFY CODE POSITIONS  
IN THE CIVIL SERVICE POSITION LISTING**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the Town of Lansing established compliance under the New York State Civil Service Agency to qualify employment positions in the Town of Lansing in accordance with Section 22 of Civil Service Laws, Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town currently has two Code Enforcement positions titled Zoning/Code/Fire Enforcement Officer and Code Enforcement Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Town has the desire to simplify titles by reclassifying the Zoning/Code/Fire Enforcement Officer position to a Senior Code Enforcement Officer and utilize the already approved Civil Service job description; and

WHEREAS, to allow for options during recruitment, the Town will create an additional Code Enforcement Officer position; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing does hereby establish the following positions in accordance with the applicable New York State and Tompkins County Civil Service rules:

1. The following positions are established and are positions in the competitive class pursuant to Section 44 of the Civil Service Law:
  - (a) (one additional) – Code Enforcement Officer
  - (b) (one) – Senior Code Enforcement Officer

And be it further

RESOLVED, the Town Board does hereby approve the Sr. Code Enforcement Officer job description as created and monitored by Tompkins County Civil Service; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Bookkeeper to the Supervisor shall include said positions in the Town of Lansing’s Organizational Chart, Civil Service Position Listing and include Sr. CEO position in the GG class on the Office Staff Classification Listing; and be it further

RESOLVED, the current Zoning/Code/Fire Enforcement Officer position becomes obsolete when it becomes vacant and at that time will be removed from the Organizational Chart, Office Staff Classification Listing, and the organizational resolution establishing the standard work hours as required for determination of retirement benefits.

**m. RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT AND BUDGET MODIFICATIONS AND SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

**RESOLUTION 26-82**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AUDIT AND BUDGET MODIFICATIONS AND SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

The Supervisor submitted her monthly report for the month of May 2026, to all Board Members and to the Town Clerk. The Supervisor’s Report was reviewed by Councilperson Joseph Wetmore. The bills were reviewed by Councilperson Joseph Wetmore and Councilperson Judy Drake. The Supervisor’s Report be approved as submitted and the Bookkeeper or the Accountant is hereby authorized to pay the following bills and to make the following budget modifications.

**CONSOLIDATED ABSTRACT # 006**

<b>TOWN OF LANSING</b>				
<b>Abstract # 006</b>				
<b>Summary by Fund</b>				
<b>Code</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Prepays</b>	<b>Unpays</b>	<b>Totals</b>
A	GENERAL FUND TOWNWIDE	6,215.87	219,101.59	225,317.46
B	GENERAL FUND OUTSIDE VILLAGE	445,176.48	57,650.08	502,826.56
DA	HIGHWAY FUND TOWNWIDE		69,135.90	69,135.90
DB	HIGHWAY FUND OUTSIDE VILLAGE	204.39	59,238.43	59,442.82
HG	DPW FACILITY PROJECT	230.73	53,376.05	53,606.78
SL1-	LUDLOWVILLE LIGHTING DISTRICT	121.75		121.75
SL2-	WARREN ROAD LIGHTING DISTRICT	807.13		807.13
SL3-	LAKEWATCH LIGHTING DISTRICT	1,346.23		1,346.23
SS1-	WARREN RD SEWER	241.65	7,955.06	8,196.71
SS3-	CHERRY ROAD SEWER DISTRICT	24.31	643.73	668.04
SW	LANSING WATER DISTRICTS	2,778.90	67,940.76	70,719.66
TA	TRUST & AGENCY	7,292.96	79,797.08	87,090.04
<b>Total:</b>		<b>464,440.40</b>	<b>614,838.68</b>	<b>1,079,279.08</b>

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**CONSOLIDATED ABSTRACT # 601**

**TOWN OF LANSING**

**Abstract # 601  
Summary by Fund**

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Code	Fund	Prepays	Unpays	Totals
A	GENERAL FUND TOWNWIDE		181,806.41	181,806.41
B	GENERAL FUND OUTSIDE VILLAGE		11,390.25	11,390.25
HG	DPW FACILITY PROJECT		946,855.22	946,855.22
<b>Total:</b>			<b>1,140,051.88</b>	<b>1,140,051.88</b>

**Budget Modifications for June 17th, 2026 Town Board Meeting**

**General  
Townwide - A  
Fund**  
June 17th, 2026

FROM	TO	FOR	AMOUNT	
A599 (Appropriated Fund Balance)	A1420.420 (Attorney - Litigation)	To cover year to date legal expenses from FLX Strong in excess of budgeted amount	\$ 53,166.94	Total Fund Balance to be Used

**General Part  
Town - B Fund**  
June 17th, 2026

FROM	TO	FOR	AMOUNT	
B599 (Appropriated Fund Balance)	B1420.401 (Attorney/Legal - Zoning Board)	To cover year to date legal expenses in excess of budgeted amount	\$ 7,314.11	
B599 (Appropriated Fund Balance)	B1420.402 (Attorney/Legal - Planning Board)	To cover year to date legal expenses in excess of budgeted amount	\$ 43,606.62	
B599 (Appropriated Fund Balance)	B1440.402 (Engineering - Planning Board)	To cover year to date engineering expenses in excess of budgeted amount	\$ 2,771.38	Total Fund Balance to be Used
B8020.100 (Director of Planning)	B8020.400 (Planning Board - Contractual)	To move \$\$ from personal services line to contractual, to cover MRB expenses in absence of a director of planning	\$ 16,908.61	

**n. CONSENT AGENDA MOTION M26-13 AND RESOLUTIONS 26-71 – 26-82**

**RESOLUTION 26-83**

**CONSENT AGENDA MOTION M26-13  
AND RESOLUTIONS 26-71 – 26-82**

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation thereupon, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, that the Consent Agenda Motion **M26-13** and Resolutions **26-71 – 26-82**, are hereby approved as presented and amended, and

The question of the adoption of such proposed Consent Agenda Motion and Resolutions were duly motioned by Councilperson Joseph Wetmore, duly seconded by Councilperson Laurie Hemmings, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

Councilperson Judy Drake – Aye                      Councilperson Laurie Hemmings – Aye  
Councilperson Christine Montague – Aye      Councilperson Joseph Wetmore – Aye  
Supervisor Ruth Groff – Aye

Accordingly, the foregoing Motion and Resolutions were approved, carried, and duly adopted on June 17, 2026.

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER FROM STREETER ASSOCIATES FOR REVISED FRONT ENTRANCE CANOPY ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING**

Lee Stepp, LeChase Senior Project Manager, and Mike Moseley, Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent explained about the front entryway change.

Design Selection – The flat roof design with internal drainage was chosen over two other options: one that would have cut into the existing administrative building's roof (causing potential leaks) and another "fake high front" design that would have used external gutters.

Maintenance and Safety – The chosen flat roof is intended to prevent the dangerous buildup of ice and snow seen in previous designs. While snow will still accumulate on the roof, the internal drainage is designed to handle the load. Standard maintenance will involve occasionally clearing debris from the central drain to prevent backups.

**RESOLUTION 26-84**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER FROM STREETER ASSOCIATES FOR REVISED FRONT ENTRANCE CANOPY ON THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the contractor, Streeter Associates, was awarded the General Construction (GC) contract for the Department of Public Works (DPW) building; and

WHEREAS, it was discovered earlier this year by the GC's architect that the original design of the front entrance would present potential water intrusion issues, whereupon the Town's architectural design contractor, Colliers Engineering and Design, proposed several design options, which were reviewed by the Highway Superintendent/Director of Public Works, the Town's Engineer, the Construction Manager (LeChase Construction Services), and the Town Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2026, Streeter Associates submitted a Change Order (CO) request for Architectural/Structural changes for the front entrance canopy design that was chosen by the Town, with said CO reviewed by the Construction Manager (CM); and

WHEREAS, the CM provided the following comments regarding the CO:

- Although the GC has some repricing to do prior to issuance of a change order, we recommend that the pricing be reviewed with the Town Board at the earliest convenience.
- The GC is reviewing the Roofing line items as there was a \$10,000.00 lump sum cost requiring revision.
- LeChase recommends that the pricing be reviewed with a cost not to exceed \$104,273.00.

- The decorative concrete block pricing has been reviewed and found to be acceptable.
- The decorative concrete block is reported as having a four-to-six-week lead time, which would put the block for the entry occurring in early to mid-August; and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation thereupon, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing has hereby

RESOLVED, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign Change Order CR-026 RB-20 Entry Canopy for an amount not to exceed \$104,273.00.

The question of the adoption of such proposed Resolution was duly motioned by Councilperson Joseph Wetmore, duly seconded by Councilperson Laurie Hemmings, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

Councilperson Judy Drake – Aye                      Councilperson Laurie Hemmings – Aye  
Councilperson Christine Montague – Aye      Councilperson Joseph Wetmore – Aye  
Supervisor Ruth Groff – Aye

Accordingly, the foregoing Resolution was approved, carried, and duly adopted on June 17, 2026.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**RESOLUTION 26-85**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STANDARD WORK DAY AND REPORTING FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

The following Resolution was duly presented for consideration by the Town Board:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing needs to establish and report the standard work day for elected and appointed officials; and

WHEREAS, effective August 12, 2009, each elected or appointed official who is enrolled in the NYS Retirement System, must prepare a record of work-related activities for three consecutive months within 150 days of the start of a new term or appointment; and

WHEREAS, the log must contain a daily detail of hours worked and duties performed that are directly related to the elected or appointed position, including official duties performed outside normal business hours; and

WHEREAS, by certifying that a previously submitted three-month log is still representative of time worked, officials elected or appointed to new terms will not have to keep a new log for up to eight years. If an official who believes their initial three-month log is not representative of the average number of hours worked, he or she may submit a new record of activities for an alternative three-month period; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Clerk must retain each record of activities for a period of at least thirty years and provide full and complete copies to the Office of the State Comptroller upon request; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution must be adopted at the first regular meeting held after the first 180 days of a new term, or whenever a new elected or appointed office is established; and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation thereupon by the Town Board, the Town Board of Lansing has duly

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lansing hereby adopts the New York State Comptroller Form RS 2417-A as the Official Form Approving Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials:



Received Date

**Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials**

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**RS 2417-A**  
(Rev. 12/23)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Lansing / 30224 hereby established the following standard work days for these titles and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Retirement based on their record of activities:

Name	Social Security Number	NYSLRS ID	Title	Current Term Begin & End Dates	Standard Work Day	Record of Activities Result	Not Submitted	Pay Frequency	Tier 1
<b>Elected Officials:</b>									
Judy Drake			Councilperson	1/1/26-12/31/28	6	4.67	<input type="checkbox"/>	Biweekly	<input type="checkbox"/>
Joseph Wetmore			Councilperson	1/1/26-12/31/28	6	7.53	<input type="checkbox"/>	Biweekly	<input type="checkbox"/>
							<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Appointed Officials:</b>									
							<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
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I, Deborah K Munson, secretary/clerk of the governing board of the Town of Lansing, of the State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution passed by such board at a legally convened meeting held on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 20\_\_ on file as part of the minutes of such meeting, and that same is a true copy thereof and the whole of such original.

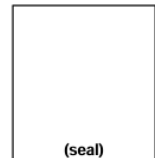
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Secretary or Clerk)

**Affidavit of Posting:** I, \_\_\_\_\_ being duly sworn, deposes and says that the posting of the Resolution began on \_\_\_\_\_ and continued for at least 30 days. That the Resolution was available to the public on the: \_\_\_\_\_

- Employer's website at: www.lansingtownny.gov
- Official sign board at: \_\_\_\_\_
- Main entrance Secretary or Clerk's office at: 29 Auburn Road, Lansing, NY

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk post the New York State Comptroller Form (RS 2417-A) for a minimum of 30 days on Employer's Public Website; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Bookkeeper file a Certified Copy of the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution (RS 2417-A) and an Affidavit of Posting with the New York State Comptroller's Office within 15 days after the posting period has ended.

The question of the adoption of such proposed Resolution was duly motioned by Councilperson Christine Montague, duly seconded by Councilperson Laurie Hemmings, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

- Councilperson Judy Drake – Aye
- Councilperson Laurie Hemmings – Aye
- Councilperson Christine Montague – Aye
- Councilperson Joseph Wetmore – Aye
- Supervisor Ruth Groff – Aye

Accordingly, the foregoing Resolution was approved, carried, and duly adopted on June 17, 2026.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

**Judy Drake**

Submitted the following report to the Town Board and it was included in the meeting packet which was available on Town of Lansing website and as a handout.

**Judy Drake**  
**Town Board Member Report**  
**June 2026**

**Capital Improvement Committee - no meeting**

**Lansing Business Alliance - May 26, 2026 – cancelled**

**Lansing Fire Commissioners- June 2, 2026**

Calls for month: Fire: 49 EMS: 64 No Response = 0 Total Calls: 113 Total Calls for Year: 554

Boat was put into lake for the season and was called out for a brush fire across the lake. Fire Department will be providing truck and large flag for 250<sup>th</sup> event, trucks in parade and have an informational table.

**Personnel Management Committee – May 26, 2026**

See draft notes.

Additional work:

Director of Planner – attended interviews of two candidates. Recommendation to offer position to Nathaniel. Committee recommended moving forward with Planner recruitment.

Administrative Assistant I- Planning & Codes Department – reviewed applications with Ruth and Mary Ellen. Interviews have been scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. Interviewers: Ruth, Mary Ellen, Judy, Nathaniel, Kelly and Heather.

Maintenance Supervisor- Position is vacant so it was decided to move forward with a recruitment. On June 2<sup>nd</sup> attended follow up meeting with Ruth, Mary Ellen, Mikey and Pat to review and clarify elements like hours, budget account review and management, reporting structure and responsibilities.

Parks & Recreation- DPW Local Law- second part to above June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting was to review questions regarding changes for MEO and Laborer moving into a dedicated Parks crew under DPW. Included Lansing Highway Association implications, work shifts, and reporting structure. It was recommended that the Local Law process move forward with an effective date of 1/1/2027 to allow for transition discussions and planning.

Met with Mikey on May 28<sup>th</sup> for a tour of the DPW Facility.

**Parks, Trails -Working Group – May 28, 2026**

Attended meeting to hear an update on Greenway master plan and Myers Road walkway. Committee discussed a letter to go to residence that land affronts the Myers Road walkway.

**Ag Committee – no meeting**

**Lansing Zoning Board of Appeals- June 10, 2026-**

**Area Variance: granted**

**Project Description: The applicant has applied for an Area Variance for a sign installed at 13 Waterwagon Road. The applicant is seeking relief from Town of Lansing Zoning Law § 210-6 to build two 30 square foot signs where commercial signs are not to exceed 18 square feet. This project is located in the R2 zoning district.**

ZBA Comments: if this was in a Commercial Zone there would not be the need for a variance. Should ZAC consider a change in zoning for this location as it has been agricultural and commercial for several years.

- Reviewed with ZBA items on the next Town Board agenda, status of the ZAC work and update on staffing.

**250<sup>th</sup> Celebration-June 2, 2026**

Working with others on the Tabling Vendors. Volunteered to have a Town of Lansing table.

**Laurie Hemmings**

No report.

**Christine Montague**

No report.

**Joseph Wetmore**

Submitted the following report to the Town Board and it was included in the meeting packet which was available on Town of Lansing website and as a handout.

**Joseph Wetmore  
Town Board Member Report  
June 2026**

**Operations & Code Revision Committee Monthly Meeting  
Wednesday, May 20·10:00am – 12:00pm**

We reviewed a template provided by Guy for a noise law for Lansing. We also discussed supporting materials explaining decibel levels and frequency ranges to provide context for understanding how noise is measured and perceived.

**ZAC Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 20·3:30 – 4:45pm**

Process Update  
Survey Check-in & Plan for Close  
Meeting ended early due to fire alarm

**Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (CWIO)  
Wednesday, May 27·3:00 – 5:00pm**

Approved a letter of support for the Cayuga Lake Protection Plan and the proposed development of a low-pressure sewer system serving portions of the Towns of Ledyard and Genoa along the Cayuga Lake shoreline.

Presentations:

Update on the Seneca-Cayuga Canal study supporting recognition of the canal watershed as part of the Cayuga Lake watershed. The current exclusion of the canal makes it ineligible for funding targeting the Finger Lakes and priority water bodies, negatively impacting a significant portion of Seneca County.

Seneca County Soil and Water Conservation District's ongoing work, constraints, and plans, and an update on the impact of the new Eastern Finger Lakes Coalition funding aimed at accelerating protection and restoration measures to combat HABs.

**Parks, Recreation, and Trails Working Group  
Thursday, May 28·9:00 – 11:00am**

Josiah updated the WG on the map's progress and noted that MJ has started the report. He will send out a preliminary draft before the next WG meeting. Project completion will be pushed out a couple of months to allow adequate time for review. We need to set up a joint meeting with the Planning Board for a presentation on this proposed plan.

Pat will incorporate feedback and email a revised draft of the residents' letter about the Myers Road Trail.

**Monthly Check-In | Lansing Smart Growth Zoning Update**

**Tuesday, June 2·10:00 – 11:00am**

Colliers updated Allison Bodine, Revitalization Specialist with New York Department of State, on the status of the community survey. They also summarized their meeting with the committee last month and discussed expectations for upcoming meetings and anticipated next steps.

**Lansing Celebrates America 250**

**Saturday, June 13·10:00am – 12:00pm**

Staffed the Town of Lansing Table and answered questions from the public.

**Owasco Lake Watershed Management Council, Inc.**

**Tuesday, June 16·10:00 – 11:30am**

- \*Director's Summary
- \*Treasurer's Audit and Finance Report
- \* Lake Level Report
- \* NYSDEC Finger Lakes Watershed Program
- \* Owasco Watershed Lake Association Update – Phil Gioia or Carol Sutkus
- \* Watershed Inspection Monthly Report

**Ruth Groff**

Submitted the following report to the Town Board and it was included in the meeting packet which was available on Town of Lansing website and as a handout.

**Ruth Groff  
Supervisor Report  
June 2026**

My job envelops all aspects of town business, engaging with taxpayers, overseeing day-to-day administration, meetings with external organizations and internal committees, personnel issues, and coordinating the Town Board meeting agenda with the Town Clerks.

I continued to oversee the Planning Department, relying on the professional input from MRB Group and current staff, until June 8, when Nathaniel Rogers assumed the role of Director of Planning.

In coordination with Colliers Engineering & Design, I continue to fulfill certain grant requirements for the Zoning Update grant from the New York Department of State.

I have been a member of the negotiating team for the Yellow Barn Solar (YBS) project, with guidance from Matt Eldred at the law firm of Harter, Secrest, & Emery. Matt has a state-wide reputation of being one of the best attorneys specializing in energy. Together with Joseph Wetmore and the Town Supervisor of the Town of Groton, we are in the final stretch of the process with YBS and the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Sitings (ORES), but there have been no updates since last month.

**May 19, 10:30 AM: NYSEG Ithaca Division Community Leaders Meeting**

- Meeting was led by NYSEG and Rochester Gas & Electric (RG&E) CEO, Trish Nilsen. She briefed the stakeholders on various business updates occurring in the Company's Ithaca Division service area. The question was asked about any increase in rates due to data centers in the state, but we were told that those would not affect our rates. I have the information packet in my office, if anyone cares to see it.

**May 19, 1:00 PM: Ithaca Tompkins County Transportation Council Joint Policy/Planning Committee Meeting**

- Nathaniel joined me in attending this meeting at Transit Center, 737 Willow Ave., Ithaca. Agenda items, primarily administrative in nature, included TIP (Transportation Improvement Program) project amendments and other project updates. The interactive Transportation Construction Project Map, which is an

interactive GIS online map that identifies roadway construction sites around the county for current year data only. The map is a pilot, so they are asking for feedback from members and the public. The link to the map: <https://www.tompkinscountyny.gov/All-Departments/Ithaca-Tompkins-County-Transportation-Council/Tompkins-County-Interactive-Transportation-Project-Map-2026>

**May 20, 10:00 AM: Code Revision Committee**

- The committee began discussions on the creation of a Noise Law for Lansing. Guy Krogh had prepared a standard template for the committee to use as a starting point for these discussions.

**May 20, 3:30 PM: Zoning Advisory Committee**

- The consultants updated the committee on the results so far from the community survey. After that, we had just started another discussion when the meeting was cut short by a fire alarm. There was no fire, just a false alarm.

**May 21, 10:00 AM: Monthly Construction Manager Update**

- Monthly review of the Department of Public Works (DPW) project with the Construction Manager from LeChase Construction Services. The project is still under budget and within a week or two of schedule.

**May 26, 8:00 AM: Personnel Management Committee**

- Issues discussed: Clothing Allowance policy; staffing updates; Social Media policy; and the role of the Personnel Management Committee.

**June 2, 10:00 AM: Monthly Check-in Meeting with Representative from the State's Smart Growth Program**

- Joseph Wetmore and I, along with consultants from Colliers Engineering, met with Allison Bodine, Revitalization Specialist with New York Department of State, for a monthly check-in meeting as a requirement of the Smart Growth grant under which the Zoning Update Project is funded. The consultants from Colliers mostly updated Allison on the community survey, meeting with the committee last month, and expectations for future meetings and actions.

**June 2, 2:00 PM and 3:15 PM: Interviews with candidates for Director of Planning**

- The interview committee, consisting of me, Judy Drake, Mary Ellen Albrecht, Dean Shea, and Shaun Logue (MRB Group), interviewed two candidates for the position of Director of Planning. The committee agreed to offer the position to Nathaniel Rogers, the current Planner for the Town of Lansing. We have already placed a job posting for the Planner position to replace Nathaniel.

**June 4, 1:00 PM: Kickoff Meeting with Principals from Delaney for Fee Rate Update Project**

- Nathaniel Rogers, Scott Russell, Heather Dries, and I met with Joe and Mary Delaney to get an understanding of the information they need from us regarding pay rates, hours spent on certain tasks, and answering questions about the processes within the Codes and Planning department.

**June 4, 3:45 PM: Bolton Point (BP) Budget and Finance Committee**

- The financials were consistent with prior year at the same time with no remarkable activity.

**June 4, 4:00 PM: Bolton Point (BP) Commissioners Meeting**

- The Commissioners approved the May minutes, then heard reports from the Production Manager, Distribution Manager, Finance Manager, Human Resources Manager, and General Manager. The Production and Distribution Managers shared lists of current projects: Lead and copper sampling, lead service line replacements, water main replacements, etc. The General Manager told of events that he and/or his staff participated in, as well as upcoming professional events that BP attends or participates in.

**June 9, 8:00 AM: Meeting with Directors of Department of Public Works (DPW) and Parks and Recreation**

- Mary Ellen Albrecht, Judy Drake, and I met with Mike Moseley and Patrick Tyrrell to discuss the newly created position of Maintenance Supervisor. We discussed the lessons learned from the previous employee in that position and we worked out such details as hours of work, reporting responsibilities, communication, etc.

**June 9, 1:00 PM: Water, Sewer, and Stormwater Committee (WSSC)**

- The monthly WSSC meeting was attended by Mike Moseley, Guy Krogh, David Herrick, Greg Weatherby (Bolton Point), and me. Topics discussed: Sewer District 1 revisions that were received from the Young's engineer; update on Farrell Road pump station generator; update on Brickyard Road and Buck Road water main replacement; and a resident's outside user application.

**June 12 and June 15: Interviews with candidates for Administrative Assistant for Codes**

- We interviewed six candidates for the newly created Administrative Assistant position in the Planning and Code Enforcement Department.

Ruth also reported she signed three (3) change orders for the Department of Public Works Facility Project: \$2,524, \$4,132, and \$4,007.

Ruth gave the monthly (May 2026) Department of Public Works Facility Project Construction Manager Report and the Anticipated Cost Report – New Department of Public Works Facility (both from LeChase) to the Town Board and the Town Clerk.

**WORK SESSION MEETING ITEMS OF DISCUSSION**

**Traffic Concerns**

Congestion at the intersection of Ridge Road and Rogues Harbor

- Especially during school and morning commute hours
- Petition NYS Department of Transportation for turn lane?
- Dandy Mart could impact the corner
- Water main located at corner
- Nathaniel Rogers, Director of Planning will look into this

**Speed Limit**

- Discussion to request speed limit lowered to 35 mph from Town Barn Road to Lansing Schools.
- Mike Moseley, Director of Public Works/Highway Superintendent will look into this.

**July Town Board Meeting**

Councilperson Judy Drake stated there will be a resolution at the July Town Board Meeting setting a public hearing for the August Town Board Meeting to amend Town Code Chapter 80 and the Organizational Chart – Department of Public Works and Parks and Recreation Department.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING**

Councilperson Joseph Wetmore moved to **ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:43 PM.** Councilperson Judy Drake seconded the motion.

All in Favor - 5                      Opposed - 0

Minutes taken and executed by the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

June 17, 2026

Deborah K. Munson, RMC  
Town Clerk