

A Town Board Meeting was held on September 15, 2026, at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**  
Kevin Rode, Supervisor  
Vince Mangan, Councilor  
Ed Schmitt, Councilor  
Jeffrey Kudarauskas, Councilor

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

Supervisor Rode called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with a pledge to the Flag.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dina Falcone, Town Clerk, Al Yager, Town Engineer, David Herkala, Esq. Highway Superintendent, Carl Magdziuk, and several guests and residents.

**TABLED**

**Motion made by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_** to adopt the August 31, 2026 and September 3, 2026 Town Board meeting minutes.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ZONE CHANGE APPLICATION BY LEO DUGER – 8075 PLAINVILLE ROAD**

**RES#212/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Schmitt seconded by Councilor Mangan** to open the public hearing at 6:37 PM to consider the Zone Change Application of Leo Duger – 8075 Plainville Road.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

A neighboring property owner spoke in support of the proposed zone change. The Town Supervisor also reported receiving a letter in support of the request. The Town Engineer explained that additional steps are required regarding the current and proposed use of the property. Discussion included a potential subdivision of the property, site plan review, and the possible need for a Special Use Permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals. The public hearing will remain open to allow Mr. Duger to complete the necessary steps. SEQR review will also be completed prior to the Town Board taking action on the proposed zone change.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ZONE CHANGE APPLICATION BY LEO DUGER – 8075 PLAINVILLE ROAD**

**RES#213/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Schmitt** to adjourn the public hearing at 6:41 PM to consider the Zone Change Application of Leo Duger – 8075 Plainville Road.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**Hearing all comments, all ayes, motion carried.**

### **Presented Budget**

Supervisor Rode provided an update on the proposed budget and stated that Department Heads were given an opportunity to discuss their departmental needs and requests. He noted that it will be a difficult budget year and that taxes are not expected to decrease. The proposed budget will be available on the Town's website, and budget work sessions are scheduled for October 5, 6, and 7.

Supervisor Rode stated that the proposed budget currently reflects an increase of approximately \$0.64, with personnel and salary costs contributing to the increase. He also cited rising utility and fuel costs and indicated that additional budget information will be provided at the October 1 meeting.

He stated that the Highway Department is currently underfunded but must continue to maintain operations and replace necessary equipment. He noted that the cost of road salt has increased approximately 27 percent and that fuel and health insurance costs have also increased.

Supervisor Rode also discussed increasing costs associated with providing Parks Department services, noting that additional services require additional staffing. He reported that approximately \$12,000 was spent to replace pumps (budget item, not spent) at the spray park and approximately \$20,000 was incurred in water and sewer costs for the facility.

### **Town Board Comments**

Councilor Mangan noted that he will be at MayDan Café on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Councilor Schmitt reported on the Data Center Advisory Committee and stated that the group discussed several topics beyond data centers. He described the discussion as proactive and focused on emerging technologies, including small modular reactors and microreactors, and how these technologies may impact or need to be addressed within the Town Code.

### **Department Head Reports**

Town Clerk Dina Falcone mentioned that School Tax collection will be held September 8 through November 2. There is a drop-box located outside of the front doors as well.

Kevin Merrill, Parks and Recreation Director, provided an update on upcoming Parks and Recreation programs and events. He spoke about the Halloween Window Painting event, scheduled for Saturday, October 24, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The event is limited to 300 participants, and additional information is available on the Town's website.

Mr. Merrill also spoke about Reece's Remembrance Garden, which will take place on October 17, and described it as a touching event. He also discussed the Bee Fast program, now in its fourth consecutive year, which will be held Sunday from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Registration will remain open.

### **Supervisor's Comments**

Supervisor Rode mentioned that summer hours are now over, and regular hours are in effect. The LWRP meeting will be September 30, from 10:00 AM, to 6:00 PM. He noted that it is an open house format this year. He will be covering part of the event from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the library.

**Agenda Items**

**MOTION TO HOLD AND ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2027 FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT (WEST PHOENIX FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT)**

**RES#214/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Schmitt seconded by Councilor Mangan** that the Town Clerk be authorized to advertise for a public hearing to be held before the Lysander Town Board at **6:30 PM on Thursday, October 15, 2026** to hear all persons for or against the 2027 Fire Protection Agreement by and between the Town of Lysander and Enterprise Fire Company No. 1 (West Phoenix Fire Protection Agreement) in the amount of \$134,781. (This is a \$5,184 increase from 2026).

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO HIRE BIANCA AVICOLLI AS SUMMER AIDE**

**RES#215/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Mangan** to hire Bianca Avicolti as Summer Aide in the Parks and Recreation Department at a rate of \$16.00 per hour effective September 13, 2026. (Bee Fast Program).

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO HIRE ANGELINA KUTS AS SUMMER AIDE**

**RES#216/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Mangan seconded by Councilor Schmitt** to hire Angelina Kuts as Summer Aide in the Parks Recreation Department at a rate of \$16.00 per hour effective September 13, 2026. (Bee Fast Program).

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**TABLED**

**Motion made by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_ seconded by Councilor \_\_\_\_\_** to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the contract for Payroll, HR, and Onboarding services with Paychex at an annual cost not to exceed \$20,000.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LYSANDER PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE CNY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

**RES#217/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Schmitt** to authorize the Town of Lysander Parks and Recreation Department to accept a donation in the amount of \$7219.30 from the CNY Community Foundation (on behalf of friends and family of Reese) for the installation of flower bulbs at Lysander Town Park for Phase II of the Reese's Remembrance Garden Project commenced in 2025.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS**

**RES#218/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Mangan** to authorize the following budget modifications:

Revenue - A0-02770-000 (Misc. Income) - \$7,219.30 increase  
Expense – A0- 07110-401 (Parks Cont. Projects) - \$7,219.30 increase

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE LYSANDER TOWN COURT TO  
APPLY FOR A JCAP GRANT IN THE 2026/2027 GRANT CYCLE UP TO \$30K**

**RES#219/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Mangan seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** that The Board of the Town of Lysander authorizes Lysander Town Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2026-27 grant cycle up to \$30,000.00.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE CONTRACT FOR  
SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL/SALT WITH GLS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

**RES#220/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Schmitt seconded by Councilor Mangan** to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the contract for snow and ice removal and salting at the Route 31 NYSP Barracks owned by the Town of Lysander with GLS Professional Services, in the amount of \$9,500 for the 2026-2027 Winter season. (GLS was lowest bid).

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO PUBLISH  
THE TOL EXCAVATION TERM CONTRACT NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

**RES#221/2026**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Schmitt** to authorize the Town Clerk to publish the Town of Lysander Excavation Term Contract Notice to Bidders in the local paper.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

*The next motions are tied together, as per the Town Supervisor and the Town Board is reviewing the guidelines on what the Town can appropriate out of the fund balance. They will then verify same with the Comptroller, and the motion will be authorized with attorney approval.*

**MOTION TO TRANSFER \$82,733 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS ACCOUNT TO FUND THE LYSANDER TROOPER BARRACKS INTERIOR RENOVATION PROJECT**

**RES#222/2026**

**Motion by Councilor Mangan seconded by Councilor Schmitt** to transfer \$82,733 from the unappropriated fund balance to the capital projects account to fund the Lysander Trooper Barracks Interior Renovation Project.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH EIF CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,733**

**RES#223/2026**

**Motion by Councilor Schmitt seconded by Councilor Mangan** to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the contract with EIF Construction in the amount of transfer \$82,733 from the unappropriated fund balance to the capital projects account to fund the Lysander Trooper Barracks Interior Renovation Project pending Town Attorney approval.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Councilor Mangan seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 7:11 PM.

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| Supervisor Rode   | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Mangan | Aye |
| Councilor Schmitt | Aye |                       |     |                  |     |

**All ayes, motion carried.**

This is a true and complete recording of the action taken at this meeting.

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk