Official Minutes

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Lima, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 7329 East Main Street, Lima, New York, on the 7th day of July 2026 at 6:30 P.M. Notice was printed in the Mendon-Honeoye Falls-Lima Sentinel.

Present: Supervisor, Jon Cates
Deputy Supervisor, Adam Lewis
Councilperson, Christopher Doe
Councilperson, Steve Werner
Councilperson, Ron Blodgett
Deputy Town Clerk, Laurie Arner

Guest(s): See attached Town Board Meeting Sign-In Sheet – July 7, 2026

Supervisor Cates called the workshop to order at 6:30 P.M. and the Town Board Meeting at 8:30pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

Workshop Discussions

Solar Law Moratorium was presented. Tens days to take action. September Meeting we can vote to enact or not. First draft of local law has been sent to each member. Soil reclassification is currently in place throughout the State.

Resource Deputy Contract has been received and Supervisor Cates suggest we move forward on that.

Fire and Ambulance Contract – need to review

Capital Improvements – Ideas welcomed

Budget 2027 expenses will be emailed to Department Heads. Supervisor Cates asked Department Heads to start planning for the budget process and to identify any new adjustments now.

We have Surplus Town Inventory we need to clear out to include window AC units, could be donated to the Loan Closet at the Ambulance Facility.

The Town Hall Upstairs Bathrooms have been completed. Changes made included extra lights and a closet for paper goods, etc.

Exit Workshop Meeting
Upon motion by Supervisor Cates to exit the workshop meeting at 6:51pm, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous.

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Roll Call
Quorum of the Board is present

Approval of June 2nd Minutes
Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to approve the June 2nd minutes, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lewis, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Public Comments
None

Project Updates
Siemens
The upstairs bathrooms are complete. The Library's solar panels are set to build credits for the Library's electricity use. Solar Liberty is working on setting up an account for credits. Projects needing follow up are the Court House roof ice jam and the flickering lights in the Clerk/CEO Offices.

Court Security
The ballistic window film has been installed. Metal detector should arrive on Thursday. Intercom and cameras are to be installed on Friday. The deadline to complete the project per the grant is July 24.

Supervisor's Report
Supervisor Cates presented the Supervisor's report for June 2026.

Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to approve the June 2026 Supervisor's Report, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lewis, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Reports from Town Officials
Reports from the Town Clerk and Code Enforcement Office were all submitted and sent to each Board Member.

Town Clerk
Jenn sent to everyone. Adam Lewis's email address will be councilperson4@townoflima.org.

Code Enforcement

The pickleball court is moving forward.

The old GCC will be used as a homeschooling operation that will also be providing physical ed and an opportunity to learn a trade.

Highway
Currently completing road work.

In July, we should receive our CHPS funding reimbursement of approximately $230-$244K.

Highway Superintendent Parslow requested approval to hire Adam Offend for the open MEO position at a rate of $25/hr.

Upon motion by Councilperson Blodgett to hire Adam Offend for the open MEO position at a rate of $25/hr., seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Ben Martin, Deputy Highway Superintendent has resigned.

Highway Superintendent Parslow requested approval to hire Brian Every as the Deputy Supervisor at the same rate as Ben Martin is currently making.

Upon motion by Councilperson Blodgett to hire Brian Every as the Deputy Supervisor at the same rate as Ben Martin is currently making seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

The Dump Truck slated to be delivered in November will now be delivered in March 2027.

Highway Superintendent Parslow requested approval for $30K to fund a joint purchase along with Conesus, Livonia and Groveland for a Road Widener. The Board requested more information on the purchase

Boards and Committees

<u>Councilperson Werner reported on the following:</u>

Ambulance
Donations are being received from the recent fund raising letter.
Superior Walls is donating building walls for the loan closet. Roof plywood is being donated but currently acquiring trusses.

Fire Dept
The Fire pumper is currently out for bid at $30K.

Parks
Plans for a community center are currently underway. A private donor will be providing the money so the Town can choose contactors and do not have to pay prevailing wage.

A new security system of alarms and cameras is being installed.

Pumpkin Ag Day
Thank you to all donors. The money will be going back to the park towards the upgrade of electric, roof repair and to widen the walking paths.
Gazebo floor will be stained. The playground equipment needs to be scraped, power washed and stained.

Councilperson Doe reported on the following:

Family members of the buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery have personally thanked the Community Connection organization for the hard work cleaning up the cemetery.

Summer Rec is in full swing. Currently enjoying field trips to Minnehans, etc.

The Regiment 282 will be holding a figure painting event on July 11. Please stop in to the Legion to help with this fun endeavor.

Deputy Supervisor Lewis reported on the following:

Be Well
The Nature Crawl on June 27. The Lima Bean 5K will be on August 1.

Community Connections
Deputy Supervisor Lewis thanked Kelly Doe for keeping the minutes. The organization is now under the umbrella of the Crossroad Council but will maintain a separate account and funding. Working on a Facebook page for information only.

Councilperson Blodgett reported on the following:
Completed the exit interview with Ben Martin of the Highway Department.

The Lima Town Wide Parade will be on Thursday, July 30 at 6pm, starting at Garden

Old Business

Resource Deputy Contract
This year's contract rate has been reduced to $8,479.82. The Town will not be responsible for funding after the 2027 agreement.

Upon motion by Deputy Supervisor Lewis to approve Supervisor Cates signature on the 2027 contract for a school resource officer, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Emergency Services Contracts
Please take time to review them. We will discuss at the August Town Board Meeting.

Capital Improvement Plan
Supervisor Cates talked about the Rochester St sidewalk and revamping the Food Pantry space and flow.

New Business
Preparing the 2027 Budget
Supervisor Cates suggested we include the Town Hall in the preparation of the 2027 Budget. The Fund Balances have been broken out so they are more transparent.

Solar Moratorium

Local law will extend until August 4, 2026, at which time a public meeting will be held at the Town Hall at 6:30pm.

Park Updates
Councilperson Werner requested approval on the purchase of the 10 cameras at $300 each at the Park. The Village to pay $1500 and the Town to pay $1500.

Upon motion by Supervisor Cates to approve $1500 towards the purchase of cameras at the Mark Tubbs Park, seconded by Councilperson Blodgett the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Surplus Inventory
Supervisor Cates requested approval to donate the surplus inventory window AC units from the Town Hall to the Loan Closet.

Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to donate the surplus inventory window AC units from the Town Hall to the Loan Closet., seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lewis, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Approval of Abstracts of Audited Vouchers
Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #7 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Funds:	No. 174 through 224	$ 267,799.22
Highway Funds:	No. 74 through 87	$ 92,050.39
Water District Funds:	No. 8	$ 8,456.25

Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to approve Abstract #7, seconded by Councilperson Doe, the vote was unanimous

CARRIED	Ayes: 5	Blodgett, Cates, Doe, Lewis, Werner
	Nays: 0	

Shared Services
D. Marcellus of Skyport IT presented a Lima Town/Village Joint Meeting Agenda for the upgrade of IT infrastructure, security and shared services amongst the Town and Village. Change from a password base login to a phrase base.

Public Comments
Councilperson Werner received a thank you for how great the Park looks, Highway Superintendent Parslow received questions on the culvert replacement on Doran Rd.

Town Board Comments
None

Adjourn Meeting
Upon motion by Deputy Supervisor Lewis to adjourn meeting at 9:50pm, seconded by Councilperson Doe, the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Laurie Arner
Deputy Town Clerk

Attachments

Town Board Sign In

TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET **DATE: JULY 7, 2026**

Name	Address
RANDY ZEA	DORAN RD
Augie LINDSAY	2112 POPLAR HILL RD
Tom Simpson	Doran Rd
Burch Finnegan + Mike	Jenks Rd
Mary + Joe Hicks	Doran Rd.
Karen Hanson-Fritz	7156 W Main St Lima
Robin Hargrave	7179 W Main St.