

Unofficial Minutes

An unofficial joint Village and Town Board Meeting of the Village and Town Boards 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 7:00 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
Village Mayor, John Skiptunas
Village Deputy Mayor, Brian Smith
Village Trustee, Ben Dodzweit
Village Trustee, Josh Petrais

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

Supervisor Cates called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M., with the Pledge to the Flag.

Recap of 4th of July Celebration

Thank you to everyone who helped with the celebration. The Park was spotless after the event! All went well except for 2 minor medical conditions. Will be discussing traffic control. A suggestion to signal (ring bell) before the cannon fires was presented. Vendor donation back to the Park Fund was \$480.

Be Well has requested Lima continue with this next year. The event with food trucks, vendors, etc. will start at 4pm.

Supervisor Cates suggested the Town and Village create a committee to oversee the event instead of Be Well. Deputy Mayor Smith volunteered to spear this committee.

Thank you to Karen Fritz for the amazing job on the history of the Lima and the Revolutionary War.

25th Anniversary of 9/11

Supervisor Cates suggested we incorporate the Anniversary with the time capsule event. We should recognize our first responders.

Historic Preservation Committee

Fran Gotsick updated the Board on the purpose of the Historical Preservation Committee. She passed out the application for renovations (currently being updated) and discussed the process. A pamphlet on the Lima Historic Preservation Overlay District and Downtown Business District Overlay was also provided. Fran requested the Comp Plan include preserving and highlighting our historic structures. Fran stated there are historic tax credits available to homes over 50 years and now includes ranch homes.

Mark Tubb Park Signage

A Park sign at the corner of 15A and Ziegler Dr. is being pursued but due to the State Road the DOT will need to be involved. Village Deputy Mayor Smith explained other factors include the Park Master Plan, budgeting, and the County, making it a lengthy process.

Brian Pedicone, HF Troop 4029, completed his Eagle Scout project. Brian built six bike racks, which are placed in the Park (2) and around the Village (4) to encourage health, convenience, safety and downtown destinations.

Braedon Junot, HF Troop 4029, has received approval from the DEC to install a 8'x10' fishing dock in the pond at the Park for his Eagle Scout project. Josh Petrais is the Troop Leader. Brian will meet with Maintenance to determine/order the materials needed for the project.

Cost Savings Efforts

IT Solution

Upgrades at the Court House saved \$600.

Green Renewal

Willing to haul the Village and Town brush away. Village will cover up to \$5K toward the cost of removal. The Town will reimburse the Village for 50% of the fee.

Upon motion by Deputy Village Mayor Smith to approve the contract between the Village and Green Renewal for the removal of brush for up to 5 days, which will be reimbursed at 50% by the Town, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

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

Dan Marcellus from Skyport IT presented shared ideas for the Village and Town IT solutions.

Councilperson Werner suggested the Town and Village investigate the products offered by Grainger.

Committee Positions

Many positions around the Town and Village are available for volunteers.

Commitment to Constituents

Mayor Skiptunas presented the Dignity Index and passed out cards related to Building Skills for Dignified Disagreement. His goal is to implement the program in Lima. Supervisor Cates suggested perhaps the Village and Board draft a joint resolution as leadership to commit to our constituents to act in a certain way. Village Trustee Marcellus will share the video with Board Members. Mayor Skiptunas is hoping to present an app and workshop at a future date.

Comprehensive Plan Update

The plan was last updated in 2008. An updated Comp Plan would increase our scores on grant applications. It is a process that includes public feedback along with updating the plan, zoning and codes. Now is a great time to address this as we enter into the solar law creation for the Town.

Adjourn Meeting

Upon motion by Councilperson Doe to adjourn at 8:28pm, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Laurie Arner
Deputy Town Clerk

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
Burt Finucane & Mike	Jacks Rd
Mary & Joe Beck	Doran Rd.
Karen Hanson-Fritz	7156 W Main St Lima
Robin Hargrave	7179 W Main St.