

Unofficial 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 April 2026 at 6:30 P.M. Notice was printed in the Mendon-Honeoye Falls-Lima Sentinel.

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

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

Supervisor Cates called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M., with the Pledge to the Flag.

Roll Call

Quorum of the Board is present

Approval of the March 2nd Minutes

Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to approve the March 2nd Minutes, seconded by Councilperson Blodgett, the vote was unanimous

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

Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Cates presented the Supervisor's report for March 2026. Supervisor Cates updated the Board on rebates received, franchise fees received, water district interest, along with the highway and library financial status.

Upon motion by Councilperson Blodgett to approve the March 2026 Supervisor's Report, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

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

Public Hearing on Spectrum Franchise Agreement

Opened at 6:36 p.m. Town of Lima's Contract with Spectrum was entered into back in 1983 and is renewed every 15 years. Laura from Spectrum explained the agreement basics with included maintenance / upgrades and answered questions from the attendees and Board. The franchise agreement produces an average of \$14-15K back to the Town each year. Attorney Campbell read the resolution to accept the agreement.

M. Petroski requested Spectrum make a commitment to move their lines from the old poles to the new poles with a specific time frame. Supervisor Cates stated that it requires a lot of coordination amongst different utilities. Attorney Campbell stated the Town has little control over the matter as the poles are owned by different entities.

The Public Hearing was left open.

Public Comments

M. Petroski read his statement to support the transmission line from Jenks/Chase Rd over to Doran Road. He spoke of the comp plan, DANPlan, farming, industrial development and requested the Board vote for the Town engineer to go forward with these plans.

Reports from Town Officials

Reports from the Town Clerk and Code Enforcement Office were all submitted and sent to each Board Member. No comments from the Board.

Code Enforcement

Charlie's report now reflects more details as to the month's activity.

Highway

Highway Superintendent Parslow reported on the following:

PESH visited the Town Garage and had a few violations which are being corrected this week.

Working on repairs from the storm damage

Councilperson Werner thanked the Town and Village crews for all their hard work.

Preparing for Springtime projects – tree trimming, culvert installation and replacement, ditching, roadside mowing.

Receiving \$53K from the State for plowing State Roads. \$4K more than budgeted.

One employee will be leaving this week, and another will be returning on April 20.

Boards and Committees

Councilperson Blodgett reported on the following:

DOT/Bragg St/Doran Rd

Spoke to DOT and they will be stopping by to evaluate. Will contact others when a date is set.

Library

A new phone system is being installed. The Friend of the Library will be holding their annual book sale during the Crossroad Festival. Circulation of Books has increased.

Personnel policies have been updated.

Sidewalk does need repair. Flooding in the back of property has caused concerns about the air conditioning unit.

Concerned solar panels on roof may eventually create leakage. Supervisor Cates will be walking the property on April 16 to access the tree trimming needs.

Supervisor Cates will be reaching out to the EV charging company to request location of chargers be present on various apps.

Highway

Councilperson Blodgett thanked the Town Highway Crew for a great job.

Parks

Talked with Dept of Labor. If a community center is 100% donated, prevailing wage is not required.

Councilperson Doe reported on the following:

Summer Recreation

Two hundred children are currently signed up for 2026. They are currently interviewing for staff.

Community Committee

Currently on hold. Reassessing agenda and mission.

Cemeteries

Animal holes in the cemeteries do require filling in. Trees need trimming. Currently requesting permission from landowners to acquire access to clean up cemetery by Kwik Fill. Reaching out to the Boy/Girl Scouts was suggested.

Councilperson Werner reported on the following:

Ambulance

51 calls for February 2026. Rearranging some staff. Two new membership applications. Rig 2281 has electrical issues. Monthly meeting is on Wed., April 8.

Fire Dept

New Pumper 234 is now in service. Old Pumper 234 is being prepped to be sold. Expect around \$25-\$30K as all the equipment has been moved to the new Pumper. 235 is back in service. A used truck was acquired from the Churchville Fire Dept for \$40k.

Received a DEC grant to fight wildfire which included gloves, uniform, head gear, electric chainsaws, lights.

Hemlock Fire Dept will continue until Jan. 1, 2027. At which time, Livonia will assume all duties.

Raffle tickets are now available.

Planning Board

Met concerning B. Ways request to open an auto repair shop. There are few requests for minor requirements and should be on his way to opening his business.

Parks

The roofs on the gazebos are finished except the copula is currently being built in metal to replace the wooden one.

Pumpkin Fest Seed giveaway is May 2 at the Town Hall.

Still working on the grant for the pollinator project.

Deputy Supervisor Lewis reported on the following:

Court House

Currently seeking pricing on security systems and construction for the Court House.

Ag Committee

Understands the Farmers' concerns about development. Welcomes public input and concerns. Committee on solar concerns, legislation, etc., needs to be formed.

Be Well

A volunteer fair is planned for April 25 from 12pm to 4pm for residents of Lima. The Ambulance, Fire, and other local groups will be at the Town Hall.

The Tubb's Park will be the venue for Murph's Challenge on Saturday, May 23 (rain date May 24). Donations have been received for the \$400 sponsorship to host application. Another \$220 in donations is needed to pay the insurance rider for this event.

Public Hearing on Spectrum Franchise Agreement

Public Hearing closed at 7:27pm

Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to close the public hearing on the Spectrum Franchise Agreement, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lewis, the vote was unanimous

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

Old Business

Resolution #31 - Flower City Elevator Maintenance Agreement

Attorney Campbell read Resolution #31, which is a two year agreement. The cost is \$2040 / year.

Upon motion by Councilperson Doe to accept Resolution #31, the Flower City Elevator Maintenance Agreement, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

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

Siemens Project Update

Supervisor Cates will be walking the Library grounds on April 16 to assess the trees and the solar panels on the roof of the Library. The bathrooms in the Library are being placed on the ground floor for ADA requirements at a cost of \$191K.

Water District #5

The Jenks Road transmission line was discussed in length. Development in the Town is a major concern. The decision to proceed as scheduled was affirmed.

Library Security Grand Award Update

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

Resource Deputy Contract

Waiting to hear back from the Lima Christian School as to the agreement. The Town was paying 20% of Resource Deputy's wage for 2025. The current agreement will be a 10% responsibility.

Mowing Tractor - Update

Did not get the previously discussed tractor on trade. Will continue to look for another one.

New Business

Resolution #32 – Reporting of Assessor Hours to NYSLRS

Attorney Jim Campbell read Resolution #32.

Upon motion by Supervisor Cates to accept Resolution #32, Reporting of Assessor Hours to NYSLRS, seconded by Councilperson Werner, the vote was unanimous

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

Resolution #33 – Enter into Franchise Agreement with Spectrum Northeast, LLC

Attorney Jim Campbell read Resolution #33.

Councilperson Werner asked for clarification on franchising and if any others exist or are available. Attorney Campbell explained the few with agreements.

Upon motion by Councilperson Werner to accept Resolution #33 – Enter into Franchise Agreement with Spectrum Northeast, LLC for 15 years, seconded by Councilperson Blodgett, 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 #4 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

General Funds:	No. 83 through 102	\$ 45,078.78
Highway Funds:	No. 34 through 44	\$ 24,791.58

Upon motion by Councilperson Doe to approve Abstract #4, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Lewis, the vote was unanimous

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

Town Hall Hours of Operation

The Town Hall / Clerk / CEO hours of operation for the year will be:
Monday – Wednesday: 8:30am – 4pm; Thursday: 12pm – 5pm; and Friday:
8:30am – 12pm.

Upon motion by Supervisor Cates to approve the Town Hall Hours of Operation, seconded by Councilperson Doe, the vote was unanimous

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

Public Comments

B. Carey would like to thank the Fire Dept for their quick response and great job at clearing the flood water out of his basement.

R. Zea questioned whether the Board should address the transmission line or continue to go forth with the current plan.

D. Sansone questioned the Assessor's position to handle 3 towns at once. He asked for comps on his home ahead of his assessment meeting and was not given them until his meeting.

M. Petroski asked if the Town's audit was in process. Supervisor Cates stated they will be here the week of April 20. The Town Board will receive the results first and then the public.

M. Petroski stated he would be interested in being involved in the DOT/Bragg/Doran meeting.

M. Petroski stated an ice/water shield needs to be installed under the solar panels to prevent leakage.

Supervisor Cates stated a petition is being circulated in Town to de-escalate the speed limit from 55 mph to 45mph before the 30mph coming in from the west by the Ambulance Facility. That petition will be sent to the State for further action.

A. Lindsey suggested the yellow flashing light at Bragg St/Doran Rd be placed higher to be seen when traveling east bound.

Town Board Comments:

Councilperson Blodgett suggested a Lima resident should seek election on the HFL School Board as there is no representation at this point.

Adjourn Meeting

Upon motion by Councilperson Blodgett to adjourn meeting at 8:15pm, seconded by Councilperson Doe, the vote was unanimous.

Enter Executive Session

Upon motion by Councilperson ?? to enter Executive Session at 8:30pm, seconded by Councilperson ??, the vote was unanimous.

Exit Executive Session

Upon motion by Councilperson ??? to exit Executive Session at 8:45pm, seconded by Councilperson ???, the vote was unanimous.

No action taken.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Laurie Arner
Deputy Town Clerk

Attachments
Town Board Sign In

Resolution #31

Resolution #32

TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF LIMA
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON

RESOLUTION No. 31 of 2026

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the
Town of Lima, Livingston County, State of New York,
held at the Lima Town Hall on April 7, 2026

In the Matter of a maintenance and service agreement with Flower City Elevator.

WHEREAS, the Town currently has a limited access passenger roped hydraulic elevator (“Town Elevator”) that serves the Lima Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Town deems it appropriate and desirable to enter into a preventative maintenance service agreement related to the Town Elevator; and

WHEREAS, the Town has sought proposals to provide periodic preventative maintenance services for the Town Elevator, according to the requirements of the Town’s Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Town received a proposal to provide preventative maintenance services to the Town Elevator from Flower City Elevator, Inc. (“Flower City”) where Flower City would provide preventative maintenance services for the town Elevator on a quarterly basis for the annual sum of \$2,040.00; and

WHEREAS, the proposed term for the preventative maintenance services agreement with Flower City would be two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lima wishes to enter into the preventative maintenance services agreement with Flower City effective February 1, 2028.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lima hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into the preventative maintenance services agreement with Flower City Elevator, Inc. pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in that proposed agreement (which is attached hereto), said preventative maintenance services agreement to be for a period of two (2) years, commencing February 1, 2026.

Dated: April 7, 2026

Vote of the Board:	Jonathan Cates	Aye
	Ron Blodgett	Aye
	Christopher Doe	Aye
	Adam Lewis	Aye
	Steve Warner	Aye

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF LIMA**

Jennifer A. Heim, CMC, RMC,
Town Clerk

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RESOLUTION No. 32 of 2026

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the
Town of Lima, Livingston County, State of New York,
held at the Lima Town Hall on April 7, 2026

In the Matter of the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for the Town of Lima Assessor

WHEREAS, the Town Assessor is currently a participant in the New York State and Local Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the requirements of the New York State and Local Retirement System, the Town is required to periodically submit New York State form RS 2417-A - Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for Elected and Appointed Officials; and

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has prepared form RS 2417-A and is prepared to post the same as required by law and thereafter submit the same to the Office of the New York State Comptroller as required.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lima hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to post and submit to the Office of the New York State Comptroller, form RS 2417-A, as it relates to the Town Assessor, for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2031.

Dated: April 7, 2026

Vote of the Board:	Jonathan Cates	Aye
	Ron Blodgett	Aye
	Christopher Doe	Aye
	Adam Lewis	Aye
	Steve Warner	Aye

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF LIMA**

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RESOLUTION No. 33 of 2026

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the
Town of Lima, Livingston County, State of New York,
held at the Lima Town Hall on April 7, 2026

In the Matter of the Granting of a Cable Television Franchise Held by Spectrum Northeast, LLC
in the Town of Lima, County of Livingston, New York

WHEREAS, an application has been duly made to the Town Board of the Town of Lima (“Town”), County of Livingston, New York, by Spectrum Northeast, LLC, an indirect subsidiary of Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”), a limited liability company organized and existing in good standing under the laws of State of Delaware doing business at 95 Methodist Hill Drive, Rochester, NY 14607, for the approval of a renewal agreement for Charter's cable television franchise for and within the jurisdictional limits of the Town of Lima; and

WHEREAS, Charter has proposed a franchise renewal agreement will bring Charter’s cable franchise within the Town into conformity with certain provisions of the Federal Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984, as amended, and certain court rulings; and

WHEREAS, Charter has a term of fifteen (15) years for the franchise renewal, commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission, following approval and execution by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town held a duly noticed Public Hearing in the Town of Lima, New York on April 7, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. and notice of the hearing was published in the Town’s official newspaper, the Mendon, Honeoye Falls, Lima Sentinel on March 19, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lima hereby grants the cable television franchise of Spectrum Northeast, LLC and the Town of Lima for the Term of fifteen (15) years commencing with the date of approval by the Public Service Commission and expiring fifteen (15) years hence, all as set forth in such Cable Franchise Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver such Cable Franchise Agreement to Charter Communications, Inc.

Dated: April 7, 2026

Vote of the Board:	Jonathan Cates	Aye
	Ron Blodgett	Aye
	Christopher Doe	Aye
	Adam Lewis	Aye
	Steve Warner	Aye

**BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF LIMA**

Jennifer A. Heim, CMC, RMC,
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