

FORTH: RECORDING OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.

***Meeting minutes shall be in brief in accordance with: (TOWN LAW, SUBSECTION 30(1)).**

Unless otherwise stated by a specific Councilperson, during session that the topic of subject be directly added to the record.

On the 8th day of April 2026. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Luke Latini called the meeting to direct order at 7:02 P.M. leading all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America, followed by a moment of silence for our service men, and woman.

OFFICIAL ROLL CALL: Town Meeting 7:05-

Roll call taken by Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh and is as stated.

Those in attendance including, Supervisor Lucas Latini, Councilman Jim Utter, Councilman Bruce Terry, Councilwoman Martha Mosher and Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this meeting.

Attorney: M. Mirras.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE ADGENDA:

*Adding the proposed Lodi Volunteer Fire Company's contract and service agreements. -Supervisor

*Adding policy proceed review. – Councilwoman Mosher

*Editing the Agenda under executive session to state “Discussion -litigation to sue the Food for all Pantry”- Councilwoman Mosher.

REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS.

Abstract (A) Vouchers 43 -60 in value of \$15,535.93.

Motion in the first by Councilman Jim Utter in the second by Councilman Bruce Terry. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Abstract (DA) Vouchers 26-31 In value of \$9,955.55.

Motion in the first by Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Councilman Dan Jacobsen.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Abstract (DB) – Vouchers 24-25 In the value of \$47,021.21

Motion in the first by Councilman Jim Utter Motion in the second buy Councilwoman Martha Mosher

APPROVE MINUTES OF MONTH PREVIOUS. –

Presented: (March 2026) – Motioned to table until next month.

Motion in the first by Supervisor Luke Latini. Motion in the second by Councilwoman Jim Utter. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS\ PETIONERS- Susan Hay and Mike Peckham- Historical Society/ Lodi Bicentennial Planning.

Susan gives a summary of events and hopes for the upcoming celebration. Topics of discussion are related to funding donations, proposed budget expenditures, venders' applications and insurance coverage of the event.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Rick Jacot

Superintendent Jacot gives report that the team has been working on servicing the equipment repairing the Gradel. Ditch lines and large culvert pipes have been installed on Shaw Road to help with drainage and water run off destinations. Runner crush road material has been hauled in along with smaller ST gravels. Around the 22nd the highway will shut down Shaw Road after the School Bus run, so that the project can be completed. A 7-thousand-dollar material donation was provided from soil and water, helping to offset the cost of correcting and prevention stream bank erosions. Lastly Superintendent Jacot speaks on the planning of a turnaround to be established on the end of Spur Road, had been estimated to be around \$13,000(in proposed site work) dollars without the survey. TG-Miller will help with the survey.

Motion in the first to accept the highway report by Supervisor Luke Latini. Motion in the second by Councilman Bruce Terry.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

TOWN CLERK REPORT: Connie Rosbaugh:

All monies collected will be remitted to accounts payable/ Supervisor Latini, for the purpose of being added to the general fund. Funds such as:

Paid to Supervisor for general funds. Certified copies, and local fees. Check # 511- \$14.00

Paid to AG & Market. Animal control. Check# 512-\$3.00

Paid to NYS Health Department for Marriage Licenses.

k-9 license renewals will be sent to residents by mail, new licenses will require an in-person appointment

The Tax Collection Clerk, as tax collector for district 4953 all dollars collected will be distributed first to the Supervisor of the Town, through accounts payable Nancy Swartwood, with the purpose to be entered into the General Funds /operational monies of the Town of Lodi. Secondly the County Treasurer will receive County portions and lastly the interest collected will be given to the general fund of the Town. The collection period will run between the months of January until April 1, 2026.

As of current the Town Supervisor has received \$1,161,026.73- PAID IN FULL

The County of Seneca has received- FINAL PAYMENTS.

Documents such as certified vital records including birth, death, and marriage licenses.

Agriculture and markets licenses, burial permits, FOIL requests, K9 licenses, and business operational licenses, along with accessibility permits.

Additional documents completed are payment vouchers, payment archives and overall general documents of the town. Including minutes, foils, contracts, proposals, resolutions and any further document required.

Motion in the first to approve the Clerk/ Collector Report, by Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Councilman Bruce Terry. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

CEMETERY REPORT: Superintendent Rosbaugh- reports that the West Lodi Cemetery opened on April 1st, an ad was placed asking all lot owners to remove extra items from their lot's. A deadline was set in place asking for the task to be completed by April 30th. The town Supervisor is currently reviewing application for Groundskeepers and Superintendent.

OLD BUSINESS: -

Revised agreement with the Humane Society of Schyler County (Dog Shelter Services).

Supervisor Latini addressed the topic of animal shelter services. Since the closer of Beverlys Animal Shelter, reports from surrounding shelters show an increased flow of animals that have been surrendered, and or abounded. The Town of Lodi is currently securing arrangements with Schyler County animal shelter services. Supervisor is prepared with a contact containing the added language discussed during the March monthly meeting.

Motion to enter and adopt the contract as edited, with The Humane Society of Schyler County (dog control shelter). From April 1st, 2026- December 31st, 2026. In the first by Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Councilman Bruce Terry. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Cemetery Superintendent and groundskeeper Openings.

Supervisor Luke Latini gives update that the add was placed and roughly 4 people have applied, Luke states that he currently working trough those applications but will need County approval. One individual has come out to evaluate the cemeteries. Further updates will be given as the process unfolds.

NEW BUSINESS: -

Propose fire contract- 2026- Attorney Mirras reviews the documents and suggest edits that are in the best interest of the Town. George McCheyn is present in representation of and with the Lodi Volunteer Fire Company. 1. Paragraph 3- benefit law, workman's Chomp, line #4- were it talks about the town agrees to hold the company harmless for the company's failures to provide sufficient manpower at a single incident, considering current shortages. George describes a shared service for manpower. Line #5 the insurance value seems lacking. Additional suggested edits include paragraph 7 with a bit of language rework to make the point clearer, paragraph 8- 7 days is not enough notice for the company to not provide service. Suggesting no days less than 30. Lastly, last sentence of the same paragraph describes curing for loss in 3 days. The 3 days are far too short of time. Supervisor returns the proposed contract

to Mr. McCheyane for review with the Fire Company team and returns to the Board with a revised copy of the proposed contract.

Tera Wolf Resolution-Resolution requesting New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to reject the modified water withdrawal permit application from Cayuga Operating Company, LLC (DEC ID #7-5032-00019/00004) and instead requires a new application and environmental review process.

Motion in the first by Councilwoman Martha Mosher. Motion in the second by Councilman Bruce Terry. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Policy and procedure review. Comptroller, procurement policy, employee handbook, retention and threat level policies. Councilwoman Mosher.

Councilwoman Martha Mosher has been assigned the task of reviewing town police. Including Comptroller, Procurement Policy, and the Employee Handbook. Retention policy, and threat level.

Motion to appoint chair to Councilwoman Martha Mosher. Motion in the first by Supervisor Luke Latini. Motion in the second by Councilman Dan Jacobsen. All Members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED-** Councilwoman Accepts the chair.

Councilman Bruce Terry addresses the Board making a motion to donate a sum value of \$2,500.00 to the Bicentennial Celebration- Lodi Historical Society.

Motion in the first to donate said value by Councilman Bruce Terry. Motion in the second by Councilwoman Martha Mosher.

Discussion- Supervisor expresses caution as this dedicated value was not addressed or part of the 2026 budgetary planning. He shares concerns about overspending, and how sensitive the budget currently is.

VOTE:

Supervisor Luke Latini- NA

Councilwoman Mosher- AYE

Councilman Jacobsen -NA

Councilman Utter-AYE

Councilman Terry-NA

Tally: 3/5- **MOTION CARRIED**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next monthly meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on May 13th, 2026, at the Lodi Fire Hall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Discussions of litigation relating to proposed, pending or current litigation of building and pantry.

Motion in the first to enter executive session by Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Councilman Dan Jacobsen. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Motion to exit executive session by Councilman Dan Jacobsen. Motion in the second by Councilman Martha Mosher. The session ends at 10:10 p.m. all members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

ADJOURNMENT- TIME: 10:11 P.M. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Luke Latini. Motion in the second by Councilman Dan Jacobsen. All present members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted, Municipal Clerk Connie Rosbaugh.