

February 23, 2026

Regular Town Board Meeting/Public Hearing

6:00 PM

PRESENT: Supervisor S. Broderick; Councilmembers W. Burg, J. Myers & S. Waechter; Dep. Sup. W. Conrad; Police Chief M. Salada; Bldg. Insp. T. Masters; Bldg. Insp. E. Zimmerman; Hwy Sup. M. Weiss; Finance Director J. Agnello; Water Foreman D. Zahno; WPCC Ch. Op. J. Ritter; Atty. A. Bax; Rec. Director T. Smith; 1 Press; 14 Residents & Town Clerk T. Burns

ZOOM: Councilman R. Morreale; Sr. Coordinator M. Olick

EXCUSED: Eng. B. Lannon

Supervisor called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent reflection.

Burns read the Legal Notice into the record.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED LOCAL LAW OF THE TOWN OF LEWISTON, AS SET FORTH HEREIN LEGAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York, and pursuant to a resolution of the Town Board of the Town of Lewiston, adopted on the 9th day of February, 2026, the said Town Board will hold a public hearing at the Town of Lewiston Town Hall, 1375 Ridge Road, Lewiston, New York on the 23rd day of February, 2026 at 6:00 o'clock P.M., to hear all interested parties and citizens regarding the adoption of proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2026, titled "A local law to establish the residency requirements for the appointed office of Deputy Town Clerk and/or Deputy Tax Receiver for the Town of Lewiston". Said hearing may be adjourned from time to time as necessary. Further information, including access to a copy of said proposed Local Law, may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office, 1375 Ridge Road, Lewiston, New York 14092. TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LEWISTON

Dated February 19, 2026
Tamara Burns, Town Clerk

Myers MOVED to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Waechter and carried 4-0. 6:09PM.

Burns read the Legal Notice into the record:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Lewiston on the 23rd day of February, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., at the Town of Lewiston Town Hall, 1375 Ridge Road, Lewiston, New York, pursuant to the Code of the Town of Lewiston §360, regarding the creation of a storm water drainage district for The Patios at Essex Ridge, a planned unit development (PUD), located off of Upper Mountain Road and Bronson Drive in the Town of Lewiston, New York, formerly SBL No. 102.00-1-14.1. At such public hearing, all persons interested who wish to be heard will be heard.

Dated: February 9, 2026
Tamara Burns – Town Clerk

Close Public
Hearing
LL#1-2026

Bax said Waechter asked him to reach out to the attorneys relative to this particular development. Bax confirmed, the developer is intending to create a Homeowners Association and all fees should be collected for that once the drainage district is created. If no action is taken by the Board, there will not be any impediment to the developers moving forward later. Bax said, the Town will re-group with the developer as to what their next steps will be. The Public Hearing will allow the developer to move forward and file paperwork with the County Clerk's Office.

Close Public
Hearing
Storm Water
Dist. Essex

Waechter MOVED to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Myers and carried 4-0. 6:10 PM

AGENDA AMENDMENTS - None

Agenda

Burg MOVED to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Waechter and carried 4-0.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – No one wished to speak

DEPARTMENT HEAD STATEMENTS

Town Clerk T. Burns

Burns notified the Board of a notice of renewal for an alcoholic beverage license applied for by the Niagara Falls Country Club, 505 Mountain View Drive, Lewiston, NY, in the county of Niagara; for on-premises consumption from the Beverage Golf Cart and Halfway House.

Police Chief M. Salada

Salada is requesting to hire Amy Thomson as a part-time Police Officer to fill one of their vacancies.

PT Police
Hire

Burg MOVED to hire Amy Thomson as a part-time Police Officer at contractual rate with hours starting on March 1st. Seconded by Waechter and carried 4-0.

WPCC Ch. Op. J. Ritter

Ritter received a request from Suzanne Raby, coordinator of the Lewiston Jazz Festival, to borrow a generator from the Sewer Department for the Festival.

Rec. Director T. Smith

The Recreation Department finished up their skating season at Niagara University and baseball registration is now open. The Recreation Department will be accepting applications for summer help for councilors and the concession stands. Casino Night for adults 21 and up will be at Lewiston #2 Fire Hall on March 7th and the Town Easter Egg Hunt will be at the Senior Center on March 28th.

Sr. Coordinator M. Olick

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Tomorrow the Senior Center will have a speaker from the Alzheimer's Association; Wednesday they will have their monthly Lark's Concert and they will have Irish Music on St. Patrick's Day.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes

Burg MOVED to approve the minutes from the 1/26/2025 RTBM. Seconded by Myers and carried 4-0.

ABSTRACT

Abstract

Myers MOVED to approve Regular Abstract of Claims Numbered 25-03713 thru 25-03716 and 26-00292 thru 26-00410 and recommended payment in the amount of \$648,315.31 with a Post Audit in the amount of \$8,208.86. Seconded by Burg and carried 4-0.

OLD/PENDING BUSINESS

Local Law 1-2026 "Establishing Residency".

Waechter asked if the Local Law could be amended to specify the adjoining Townships of Niagara Falls, Town of Niagara, Town of Porter, Town of Cambria and Town of Wilson.

Local Law
1-2026
Establish
Residency
Deputy Clerk

Waechter MOVED to approve Local Law 1-2026 "Establishing Residency Requirements for Deputy Town Clerks", as amended. Seconded by Burg. Roll Call: Councilman Burg: Yes, Councilman Myers, Yes; Councilwoman Waechter, Yes; Supervisor Broderick, Yes. Carried 4-0.

Burns said she has been doing interviews for the Deputy Town Clerk #3 position and is excited to announce the appointment of Michelle Briand of Creek Road as a full-time Deputy Clerk at contractual rate of \$21.80/hr. with hours starting on March 2, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS - None

SUPERVISOR BRODERICK

Finance:

The Finance Director asked for approval to process the following 2025 budget revisions:

1. A request to move \$45 to Recreation Gasoline – A00-7310-0400-3150 from Transfer from Other Funds – A00-1000-5031-1189, to cover gasoline expenses.
2. A request to move \$750 to Source of Supply – SW1-8320-0400-0000 from Transmission & Distribution – SW1-8340-0400-0000, to cover contractual expenses.

The Finance Director asked for approval to process the following 2026 budget revisions:

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1. A request to move \$3,812 to Court Administration – A00-1110-0100-0101 from Court Contractual – A00-1110-0400-0000, to cover Clerk court night OT payroll expenses.
2. A request to move \$63,586 to Supervisor Personnel – A00-1220-0100-0000 with \$10,000 from Supervisor Out of Dept. Personnel – A00-1220-0100-0100 and with \$53,586 from Fund Balance – A00-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary expenses.
3. A request to move \$56 to Medicare Payroll Tax – A00-9020-0800-000 from Court Contractual – A00-1110-0400-0000, to cover Clerk court night OT payroll tax expenses.
4. A request to move \$237 to Social Security Payroll Tax – A00-9030-0800-0000 from Court Contractual – A00-1110-0400-0000, to cover Clerk court night OT payroll tax expenses.
5. A request to move \$922 to Medicare Payroll Tax – A00-9020-0800-0000 from Fund Balance – A00-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll tax expenses.
6. A request to move \$3,943 to Social Security Payroll Tax – A00-9030-0800-0000 from Fund Balance – A00-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll tax expenses.
7. A request to move \$9,538 to Administrative Allocation – B00-1310-0100-0002 from Fund Balance – B00-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll allocation expenses.
8. A request to move \$9,538 to Administrative Allocation – DB0-1310-0100-0002 from Fund Balance – DB0-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll allocation expenses.
9. A request to move \$4,960 to Administrative Allocation – SS1-8110-0100-0002 from Fund Balance – SS1-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll allocation expenses.
10. A request to move \$3,911 to Administrative Allocation – SS2-8110-0100-0002 from Fund Balance – SS2-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll allocation expenses.
11. A request to move \$668 to Administrative Allocation – SS3-8110-0100-0002 from Fund Balance – SS3-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll allocation expenses.

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12. A request to move \$9,538 to Administrative Allocation – SW1-8310-0100-0002 from Fund Balance – SW1-1000-0599-0000, to cover Confidential Secretary payroll allocation expenses.
13. A request to move \$20,000 to Engineering Firm- Other – B00-1440-0400-0000 from Fund Balance – B00-1000-0599-0000, to cover Comprehensive Plan expenses.
14. A request to move \$200 to Stormwater Review Contractual – B00-8140-0400-0000 from Safety Contractual – B00-3620-0400-0000, to cover increase in annual membership expenses.
15. A request to move \$15,000 to Public Safety Permits-Infrastructure – SS1-1000-2550-0100 from Public Safety Permits-Infrastructure – SS1-1000-2550-0000, to correct budget account number
16. A request to move \$178,255 to Union Welfare Benefits – SS1-9070-0800-0000 from Medical Insurance – SS1-9060-0800-0000, to move budget due to change in union employee health insurance.
17. A request to move \$17 to EAP Program – SS2-9089-0400-0000 from Sanitary Contractual – SS2-8120-0400-0000, to cover EAP benefit expenses.

Budget
Revisions

Myers MOVED for approval as presented. Seconded by Waechter and carried 4-0.

COUNCILMAN BURG – Nothing to report

COUNCILMAN MYERS – Nothing to report

COUNCILWOMAN WAECHTER – Nothing to report

RESIDENT STATEMENTS - none

Enter
Executive
Session

Waechter MOVED to move into Executive Session for consultation with the Attorney. Seconded by Myers and Carried 4-0. 6:21 P.M.

PRESENT: Supervisor S. Broderick; Councilmembers W. Burg, J. Myers & S. Waechter; Atty A. Bax & Henry Wojtaszek

No action taken.

Exit
Executive
Session

Waechter MOVED to exit Executive Session. Seconded by Burg and carried 4-0. 7:04 P.M.

Burg MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Myers and carried 4-0. 7:04 P.M.

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Transcribed and
Respectfully submitted by:

Tamara Burns
Town Clerk