

PUBLIC HEARING
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF LOUISVILLE, NEW YORK
October 8, 2025 6:00PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: LARRY LEGAULT, SUPERVISOR
NANCY CHARLESTON, COUNCILWOMAN
SHAWN THOMPSON, COUNCILMAN
DAN O'KEEFE, COUNCILMAN
RAY DRAKE, COUNCILMAN
OTHERS PRESENT: William Shirley, HWY
Superintendent SLC Legislator Rita Curran,
Louisville residents

Supervisor Legault called the public hearing to order at 6:00pm, followed by the regular meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Legault explains the that public hearing is pertaining to local law #2-2025 override the tax levy. Supervisor Legault offered public comment, and any questions from the Town Board.

Resolution #113-2025

Motioned by Councilman Thompson, seconded by Councilwoman Charleston, duly carried to accept override the tax levy.

Supervisor Legault called regular meeting to order.

Accept or correct September 10, 2025 regular meeting minutes.

Resolution #114-2025

Motioned by Councilman Drake, seconded by Councilwoman Charleston, duly carried to accept September 10, 2025 regular meeting minutes.

Accept or correct September 24, 2025 special meeting minutes.

Resolution #115-2025

Motioned by Councilman O'Keefe, seconded by Councilman Drake, duly carried to accept September 24, 2025 special meeting minutes.

Report from County Legislator Rita Curran: Article in the paper says they were behind on sales tax, and Rita clarified that the County is not behind. The County has hired a new emergency coordinator. Supervisor Legault asks MS. Curran about the Resolution passed recently by the County to convey post-judgement tax foreclosure acquired property back to the redeeming tax delinquent. Rita explained it is for properties that have been vacant and have no ownership. Louisville has one property that will fall into this category, but this property has sold at auction. Rita also mentioned the trail system and others that attended County meeting; County will move forward with their plans to expand the trail.

Report from Louisville Landing Recreation Manager Perry French: Perry and the committee for the golf course, along with season pass holders had a meeting last week and went over the course's season and discussed Canadians receiving a 20% discount.

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Resolution #116-2025

Motioned by Councilman O'Keefe, seconded by Councilman Drake, duly carried to accept 20% discount for Canadian residents.

Report from Highway Superintendent Bill Shirley: New turn-key truck is done, and will need to go through inspections. Should be here any day. There are no changes in the heating system, Deric and Lindsey are currently working on this. Gentleman came for the lift for sand blasting and will get back to Mr. Shirley. Bill is waiting for Thompson Diesel to come install the parts for the municipality's generator. Fall clean up went well, the voucher system is working great with no complaints. Highway Department started hauling sand today. MEO's met with Pat & Mark Curran and went through a mining training, signed some papers. The guys will be able to get out and load themselves as needed. The new sand sifter is being built, and Fiacco will be bringing it back for the Town, Fiacco comes home empty all the time. Trucks are all running, and most have been serviced. Once sand hauling is done they will get the trucks ready for winter. Kelly Doors did some repairs on the Highway Barn doors. Oliver Road; fence is removed, mowing has been done, and repairs to the culvert pipe back there will be done after sand hauling with weather compliance. Bill would like to install a Dead-End sign and a Seasonal Use sign. Mr. Shirley spoke with Don Chambers from the County on the no parking signs to be placed on CR 39 by In-Law Brewing. County will be installing the signs. The crosswalk will be put in once a permanent driveway is put in, and will most likely happen in the Spring of 2026. For the speed reduction request, Highway Superintendent will fill out the form that is needed for the County and turn it in. Snow and ice sheets have been updated by Highway Clerk O'Keefe and Bill. CHIPS money \$127,501.15 will be coming. Councilman Thompson spoke on Willard Road, the residents are happy with work done.

Report from Linda McQuinn: She is not here tonight. Councilwoman Charleston gave update with grant work she and Linda have been doing together. They will be working on the downtown revitalization grant. Linda will reach out to Sunshine Jenkins out of Clayton, and will be resubmitting the grant they were recently turned down for.

Public Comment: Resident spoke on favor of Chase's Riverside Dining remaining at the golf course restaurant on State Highway 131. The resident then submitted a petition to the Town Board of all of those in favor of Chase's Riverside to remain there. Another resident spoke up and expressed how happy they are with Chase's Riverside and would like to see them remain there as well; likes their availability. Councilman O'Keefe explained next month is when the Town Board will make their decision. Resident questions when Town does their audits and how often. Councilman Thomspson explains Town is currently going through an audit, the Town does inhouse audits every year, and Bowers is currently working on an outside audit. Also questioned what the tax rate will be, Supervisor Legault explained he will not have those numbers until next week. Another resident questioned Town Board on their no response to his email and if the assessor will be getting the insurance through the Town; Supervisor Legault informed him he will not be. Councilman O'Keefe also explained resident did have a meeting to help address/discuss concerns with the assessor.

Communications and Petitions: Letter from NYS DOT in regards to CHIPS money which has been allocated for this year. Letter from DANC for their monthly report for running Water Plant. Letter from MED in regards to the ash trees. Letter from Seaway Valley Senior Citizens Club. 2025 SCAR

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Hearing results. Quote from Creg Systems. Supervisor's reports 08/2025 & 09/2025 have been received. Email from Water Clerk, Dawn for water and property tax relevy.

Resolution #117-2025

Moved by Councilman Thompson, seconded by Councilman O'Keefe and duly carried to relevy any outstanding water balances as of August 3, 2025 and property clean-up charges for 2025 on the 2026 Town and County property taxes.

Old Business: Report from Local Government Task Force; Councilwoman Charleston will put together a committee, under O&M widening the trail, add pickle ball court, request to NYPA MVP, Pavilion at Whalen Park, expand parking & playground. Councilwoman Charleston mentioned she would still like to see a dog park. Clerk Ellsworth then informed the Town Board that after looking into dogs not being able to come into the office, and after calling the Town's Insurance broker to follow up the Town having geese abatement over at the River Course. Going forward for geese abatement hiring for River Course there will need to be a contract from the servicer and proof of insurance with Louisville listed from the servicer. RVRDA Grant; Councilman O'Keefe explains, there are some ideas and will be needing to move forward very soon. Neighborhood watch; Councilman Thompson shares there have been missing four wheelers. Grasse River Road; still in the hands of both attorneys. Outside Auditor; Bowers is still working on this. Hometown Days; Clerk Ellsworth informs everyone that the next meeting is on October 28, 2025 at 6pm in the Town Board room, Fall Fest went very well LVFD parked over 350 cars. NYPA adjoining Landowners funds of \$37,000.00; reimbursements have been submitted by Supervisor Legault for this.

New Business: Approve to pay Seaway Valley Senior Citizens group \$1,000.00 per 2025 budget. Approve to pay Meals on Wheels \$2,500.00 per 2025 budget. Advertise public hearing on LVFD 2026 Contract on November 12, 2025 at 6pm; Clerk Ellsworth will advertise. Advertise for a Public Hearing on 2026 Preliminary Budget to become 2026 permanent budget on November 12 at 6pm; Clerk Ellsworth will advertise. Present the tentative budget; meeting to review the 2026 tentative budget and become preliminary budget will be on October 15, 2025 at 6pm. Approve Town Clerk's 10-25 Abstract.

Resolution #118-2025

Motioned by Councilwoman Charleston, seconded by Councilman O'Keefe, duly carried to accept to move forward with grant funding process for MVP.

Resolution #119-2025

Motioned by Councilman Drake, seconded by Councilwoman Charleston, duly carried to pay Seaway Valley Senior Citizens \$1,000.00 per 2025 budget.

Resolution #120-2025

Motioned by Councilman O'Keefe, seconded by Councilman Thompson, duly carried to pay Massena Meals on Wheels \$2,500.00 per 2025 budget.

Resolved that invoices contained on Abstract 09-25 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

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10/2025 - Abstract					
Fund	Voucher #'s	Amount			
General A	304-25G - 336-25G	\$ 27,164.04			
General B		\$ 2,722.16			
SF					
SL1		\$ 15.70			
SL2		\$ 31.40			
SL3		\$ 289.60			
SL4		\$ 10.03			
General Savings Transfer Total		\$ 30,232.93			
Highway DA	199-25H - 213-25H	\$ 41,464.97			
Highway DB		\$ 174,979.27			
Highway Savings Transfer Total		\$ 216,444.24			
Water District #1	146-25SW - 157-25SW	\$ 7,616.74			
Water District #2		\$ 2,880.21			
Water District #3		\$ 5,607.58			
Capital	50-25CD - 51-25CD	\$ 10,353.78			
Hometown Days	24-255B	\$ 351.00			
Louisville Landing	165-25GF - 183-25GF	\$ 23,472.13			
Total of Abstract		\$ 296,958.61			

Added checks: 337-25G Seaway Valley Senior Citizens \$1,000.00 & Meals on Wheels 38-25G \$2,500.00

Resolution #121-2025

Motioned by Councilman O’Keefe, seconded by Councilman Drake, duly carried to accept the 10-25 Abstract.

Report from Recreation and Maintenance Supervisor Lindsey Gladding: Ron Wheeler booked another auction with the arena on April 18, 2026. There were issues with ice start up this year, the following week’s dryer/cooler weather helped and they were able to get the ice in. Eric and Remi stayed on for an extra week to help put the ice in. There’s been issues with the compressors; with Siemen contract 12 hours of the 16 hours maintenance contract has been used. There is a solenoid not opening when needed and is on order, along with a check valve not working properly and is on order too. One of the pumps that pumps water to the compressor is getting weaker or the impeller is bad. J&C Ice came in gave some direction on how to install the new cloth lines and also went through the operation and maintenance on the Zamboni. The new battery requires a charging after every use and should last 10 years if maintained properly, if the battery is not maintained properly it will only last 3 years. The cost of a new lithium battery \$28,000 versus \$14,000 for lead acid. Lindsey filled in for Highway Superintendent Bill on September 18th and also filled in during fall clean up, working with the MEO guys as much as he could. Councilman O’Keefe had asked Lindsey about the 6 new trees at the arena that didn’t take, there are 6 new trees coming to the arena. Matt Zappia is back to work for the winter season.

(Emailed Approval) Water Clerk, Dawn Parker requested approval to correct billing for address 212 River Dr. as resident should be paying 1/2 debt repay only.

Resolution #122-2025

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Motioned by Councilwoman Charleston, seconded by Supervisor Legault, duly carried to approve half of debt repay starting 3rd billing quarter of 2025, for 212 River Drive due to being vacant land with no water.

Bond Resolution for 2025 Western Star plow truck coming in October 2025 shown below:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED OCTOBER 8th, 2025 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE THEREOF AND/OR STATUTORY INSTALLMENT BONDS AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE THEREOF, OF THE TOWN OF LOUISVILLE, NEW YORK, IN THE COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL FINANCE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK AND PURSUANT TO APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE TOWN LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A 2025 WESTERN STAR PLOW TRUCK, THE TOTAL COST OF WHICH IS NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF \$350,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence, New York, has heretofore at this meeting adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of obligations of the Town of Louisville, New York, in the County of St. Lawrence, for the purpose of purchasing a 2025 Western Star Plow Truck, the total cost of which is not to exceed the sum of \$350,000.00.

WHEREAS, no other outstanding obligations of the Town of Louisville, New York have been previously issued by the Township for or with respect to such purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Louisville, New York, now desires to provide for the issuance of obligations of the Town of Louisville, New York, and it now desires to provide for other matters with respect to such purchase;

BE IT, THIS 8th day of October, 2025

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence, New York, as follows:

Section #1. The Town of Louisville, in the County of St. Lawrence, New York, shall issue its serial bonds or statutory installment bonds of the aggregate principal amount not to exceed the sum of \$350,000.00, and notes in the anticipation of the issuance thereof, pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York including but not limited to

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or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty (20) days after the date of such publication, or

C. Such obligation is authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section #9 This resolution is not subject to referendum pursuant to Section 35.00 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York and Article 7 of the Town Law of the State of New York.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
)SS:
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE)

Amy Ellsworth, Town Clerk of the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Louisville at a meeting held on October 8th, 2025, as follows:

Larry Legault _____
Supervisor

Nancy Charleston _____
Councilwoman

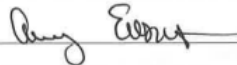
Shawn Thompson _____
Councilman

Dan O'Keefe _____
Councilman

Ray Drake _____
Councilman

TOWN BOARD
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Dated: 10/8/25

By: 
Amy Ellsworth, Town Clerk

Seal:

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issuance. It is hereby further determined that the maximum maturity of the bonds herein authorized will not exceed five years.

Section #5. Subject to the terms and conditions of this resolution, and the Local Finance Law of the State of New York, the power to authorize Bond Anticipation Notes in anticipation of the issuance of the Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds authorized by this resolution and the renewal of said notes and the power to prescribe the terms, form and contents of such Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds and of such Bond Anticipation Notes and the power to sell and to deliver such Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds and Bond Anticipation Notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such Serial bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds and the power to sell and deliver bonds providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service is hereby delegated to the Town Supervisor as the Chief Fiscal Officer of the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence and State of New York. The Chief Fiscal officer of the Town of Louisville is hereby authorized to sign any Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds issued pursuant to this resolution and any Bond Anticipation Notes and renewals' thereof including but not limited to those set forth in Section 169.00 of the Local Finance Law issued in anticipation of the issuance of said Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds, and the Town Clerk is hereby authorized to affix the corporate seal of the Town of Louisville, New York, to any Serial Bonds or Statutory Installment Bonds and any Bond Anticipation Note and to attest such seal.

Section #6. The Town Supervisor is hereby further authorized, at his/her sole discretion, to execute a project finance agreement and any other agreements with the New York State Department of Health and/or the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, including amendments thereto and including any instruments (or amendments thereto) in the effectuation thereof, in order to effect the financing or refinancing of the specific purpose

Resolution #123-2025

Motioned by Councilman Thompson, seconded by Councilwoman Charleston, duly carried to accept bond resolution for 2025 Western Star Plow Truck Bond Resolution shown above.

Clerk O'Keefe brought to the council members attention there are two checks written from the Town that have not been cashed. Supervisor Legault explained these do not need a resolution to be voided, but we can go forward with a resolution going forward any checks written from the Town that have not been cashed after 12 months can be automatically voided each year.

Resolution #124-2025

Motioned by Councilman O'Keefe, seconded by Supervisor Legault, duly carried to accept automatically voiding checks written by the Town that have not been cashed after 12 months.

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Public Comment:

Resident informed the Town Board that there is a CART meeting on November 6, 2025 in Canton for those who would like to attend.

Report from Town Clerk Amy Ellsworth: NYAOT is sending out a second round of workshops for grant writing known as GAP, incase anyone is interested in grant writing. NYAOT is also collecting Town history if anyone is interested in submitting any Louisville history to be included, this is for the nation's 250th birthday.

Mutton Ridge for sale

Resolution #125-2025

Motioned by Councilwoman Charleston, seconded by Councilman Drake, duly carried to accept extending the advertising for sale of mutton ridge for another 6 months.

Adjourn

Resolution #126-2025

Motioned by Councilman Thomspson, seconded by Supervisor Legault, duly carried to adjourn meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Amy Ellsworth

Town Clerk