October 19, 2026 LaFayette Budget Meeting Minutes

LaFayette Town Board Meeting was held on October 19, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at the LaFayette Town Hall, 2577 US Route 11 N, LaFayette, NY.

Present: William McConnell, Supervisor
Melanie Palmer, Town Councilor
Jerry Marzo, Town Councilor
Councilor Nate Loughlin
Michele Pirro Bailey, Town Councilor

Town Accountant: Jim Pompo

1. Supervisor McConnell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. All board members were present.
2. Supervisor McConnell led the pledge to the U.S. flag.

3. Line-by-Line 2027 Budget Review – Jim Pompo

R-115-26 Supervisor McConnell moved, and Councilor Loughlin seconded the motion to carry forward $50,000 from the fund balance to lower the 2027 tax rate. Motion Carried 5-0

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

4. Proposal to go Preliminary

R-116-26 Councilor Palmer moved, and Councilor Loughlin seconded the motion to move the 2027 Town of LaFayette budget from Tentative to Preliminary status with the changes discussed during budget workshops. Motion carried 5 - 0

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

5. Continuation of CNY SPCA Discussion

R-117-26 Councilor Marzo moved, and Councilor Pirro Bailey seconded the motion to sign the CNY SPCA Contract, contingent on the outcome of the meeting with the CNY SPCA Board of Directors. Motion carried 5 - 0

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

6. Imperial Construction Corp Contract Proposal

R-118-26 **Councilor Palmer moved, and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Imperial Construction for repairs to the bathroom sink at the Ron Bush Senior Community Center. Motion carried 5 – 0**

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

R-119-26 **Councilor Palmer moved, and Councilor Loughlin seconded the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Imperial Construction to stain the remaining trim at the Ron Bush Senior Community Center. Motion carried 5 – 0**

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

R-120-26 **Councilor Palmer moved, and Councilor Loughlin seconded the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Imperial Construction to replace the front door of the Ron Bush Senior Community Center at a cost of no more than $5600 to be completed by April 2027. Motion carried 5 – 0**

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

7. Barton & Loguidice Master Service Agreement (Maple Harvest Wind Facility)

R-121-26 **Supervisor McConnell moved, and Councilor Palmer seconded, the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the amendment to the Master Service Agreement with Barton & Loguidice. Motion carried, 5–0.**

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

8. Motion to Audit & Pay Bills

R-122-26 Councilor Palmer moved, and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to audit and pay bills. Motion carried 5 – 0

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

10. Motion to adjourn

R-123-26 Supervisor McConnell moved, and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to adjourn at 6:15 pm. Motion carried 5-0

William McConnell	**Supervisor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Melanie Palmer	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Jerry Marzo	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Nate Loughlin	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**
Michele Pirro Bailey	**Councilor**	**Voted**	**Yes**

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Shute Colburn
Town Clerk