

## October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 LaFayette Town Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting held by the LaFayette Town Board on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at LaFayette Town Hall and live on Facebook.

Present: William McConnell, Supervisor  
Melanie Palmer, Councilor  
Jerry Marzo, Councilor  
Carole Dwyer, Councilor

Absent: Nate Loughlin, Councilor

Deputy Supervisor: Mark Distler  
Recording Secretary: Kristin Shute Colburn, Town Clerk  
Attorney: Jeff Brown  
Budget Officer: Jim Pompo & Marty Knapp  
Information Officer: Sue Marzo  
Others Present: Ralph Lamson, Bldg. & Code Enforcement  
Dave Prince, Parks  
Ashlie Carrier, LaFayette Ambulance & TOL Facilities Manager  
Steve Pitoniak, Safety Manager  
Jacqueline Novak, Barton & Loguidice  
Several other residents

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.
2. Town Clerk Kristin Shute Colburn took the roll. Councilor Loughlin absent.
3. Pledge to our U. S. Flag led by Supervisor McConnell.
4. Supervisor McConnell introduced School Superintendent Jeremy Belfield who discussed the completion of a building condition survey in 2022 that identified \$53 million worth of needs for their school facilities. However, they only have \$17.2 million available for these needs, which includes updating classroom units, addressing critical infrastructure needs, and improving athletic facilities. There will be a public meeting to discuss the \$17.2-million capital fund, with no local tax impact. The community is encouraged to provide feedback and questions. Additionally, there was a discussion about the wrestling room, which due to code issues, may need to be moved upstairs.

5. Motion to accept the minutes of September 10, 2024 regular Town Board Meeting  
**R-138-24 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to accept the September 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes as submitted by Town Clerk Kristin Shute Colburn. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

6. Motion to accept the minutes of the September 23, 2024 Town Board Budget Meeting.

**R139--24 Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Dwyer seconded the motion to accept the September 23<sup>rd</sup> budget meeting minutes as submitted by Councilor Melanie Palmer. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

7. COMMUNICATIONS / BOARD ACTION

Crossroads Update – Attorney Jeff Brown explained proposed local law 1-2024 that would permit hotels in the Hamlet district. the process would involve site plan review through the planning board and Mr. Brown addressed potential environmental impacts, stating that the proposed action would likely have a small impact. He clarified that the proposed law would only apply to the Hamlet district and not to other areas. He also mentioned that the proposed action would not cause a significant increase in energy use. Discussion about the potential environmental impacts of reopening the old Lafayette Hote was had, suggesting that the project would have a small or no impact on public or private water and wastewater treatment utilities, and would not impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources. The appropriate steps were recommended to prevent erosion, flooding, or drainage problems and concluded that the proposed action would not create a hazard to environmental resources or human health.

1. Conduct SEQR on Local Law 1-2024 to change Hamlet zoning  
 Attorney Jeff Brown reviewed the SEQR questions with the Town Board and determined that changing the code to allow hotels in the Hamlet district would have no potential for significant adverse environmental impacts, therefore a negative declaration is appropriate.

**R-140-24 Councilor Dwyer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to accept the Town of LaFayette as lead agency and the determination that pursuant to Part III SEQR that there will be no significant adverse environmental impacts from Local Law 1-2024. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

2. Public hearing for the hamlet zoning local law change

**R-141-24 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to open the public hearing with regard to Local Law 1-2024 amending Chapter 290 (Zoning), Article II (District Regulations), Section 290-7 (Hamlet District) of the Code for the Town of LaFayette to add a new permitted use. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**R-142-24**      **Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to close the public hearing with regard to Local Law 1-2024 amending Chapter 290 (Zoning), Article II (District Regulations), Section 290-7 (Hamlet District) of the Code for the Town of LaFayette to add a new permitted use.      Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

3. Consider Local law 1-2024 to change the Hamlet Zoning  
 A local law to amend Chapter 290 (Zoning), Article II (District Regulations), Section 290-7 (Hamlet District) of the Code for the Town of LaFayette to add a new permitted use

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of LaFayette as follows:

Section 1. Section 290-7(C) of the Code of the Town of LaFayette entitled "Permitted principal and accessory structures and uses - site plan required" is hereby amended to add the following:  
 (22) Hotel.

Section 2. This local law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

**R-143-24**      **Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to adopt Local Law 1-2024 amending Chapter 290 (Zoning), Article II (District Regulations), Section 290-7 (Hamlet District) of the Code for the Town of LaFayette to add a new permitted use.      Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

4. Approve resolution to introduce and schedule a public hearing for Local Law 2-2024 parking law change -

Attorney Jeff Brown discussed the current parking space provisions in the code, advising a change to one parking spot for every 100 square feet of apron ceiling floor area, focusing on patron parking. The Board agreed to set a public hearing for November 7th to introduce the proposed change with Local Law 2-2024

**R-144-24 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to schedule a public hearing on Thursday, November 7, 2024 with regard to Local Law 2-2024 amending Chapter 290 (Zoning), Article IV (Parking, Signs, etc), Section 290-16 (Parking) of the Code for the Town of LaFayette to change the number of required add a new permitted use. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

A. B & L - Cardiff Water -

Jacqueline Novak explained that they have looked at building a transmission main that would bring water from the Village of Tully. The water main would be constructed next to properties not currently included in the district allowing them to connect should they be interested.

First Step - Put together Map, Plan and Report

Second Step - Revise the Preliminary Report

Third Step - Set Public Hearing

Fourth Step - Accept a Resolution for the notice

1. Approve resolution to schedule a public hearing at the 11/7/24 meeting about the expanded district.

**R-145-24 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to schedule a public hearing on Thursday, November 7, 2024 with regard to the Expanded Cardiff Water District Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING CREATION OF AND PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXPANDED CARDIFF WATER DISTRICT WATER SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of LaFayette (the "Town") proposes to undertake the acquisition, construction and installation of improvements to the Expanded Cardiff Water District water system including, but not limited to, water mains, valves, hydrants and other facilities, and the acquisition of machinery, equipment or apparatus required in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board now desires to call a public hearing regarding the acquisition, construction and installation of the Cardiff Water District improvements, as required by Town Law Section 202-b; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to call a public hearing regarding the revision of the district boundary, as summarized in a Map, Plan and Report dated October 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board will hold a public hearing to hear all persons interested in the improvement of the Expanded Cardiff Water District facilities, which public hearing shall be held at 2577 US Route 11 North, in the Town of LaFayette on November 7, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.; and be it further

RESOLVED, and ordered that the Town Clerk give notice of such hearing by publishing in the official Town newspaper the Notice of Public Hearing in substantially the form attached hereto and by posting the Notice of Public Hearing on the Town's official sign-board, and on the Town's website, not less than ten nor more than twenty days before such hearing.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

William McConnell	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jerry Marzo	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted effective October 8, 2024.

- 2. Approve resolution for the notice of intent to submit the USDA Rural Development funding application

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LAFAYETTE AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD) FUNDING APPLICATION FOR THE TOWN OF LAFAYETTE EXPANDED CARDIFF WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of LaFayette (Town) is proposing the Town of LaFayette Expanded Cardiff Water System Improvements Project (Project), located in the Town of LaFayette, Onondaga County, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of LaFayette has continued to seek funding opportunities and assistance relative to the construction and operation of the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of LaFayette intends to apply for grant and/or loan funding from United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development (RD); and

**WHEREAS**, the USDA RD requires a resolution by the Town of LaFayette authorizing the appointment of an "Authorized Representative" for purposes of execution and advancement of funding opportunities through USDA and its Programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of LaFayette Town Board has determined that the Town Supervisor should be empowered to act on behalf of the Town of LaFayette as the "Authorized Representative".

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Town Board of the Town of LaFayette hereby authorizes the submittal of an application for funding to USDA, Rural Development for the Town of LaFayette Expanded Cardiff Water System Improvements project and the publication of said notice, attached.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Town Board of the Town of LaFayette authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign all USDA, Rural Development documents associated with the Cardiff Water System Improvements project, including but not limited to: documents related to RD funding, all project funding documents, and/or all documents on the project as a whole.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

William McConnell	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Melanie Palmer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Jerry Marzo	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

**Notice of Intent to File Application**

Public Notice - Intent to File an Application with USDA, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service

The Town of LaFayette intends to file an application for federal financial assistance with the US Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, and Rural Utilities Service. The project includes water source replacement including construction of a transmission main, construction of one new water storage tank, decommissioning of the existing spring site, distribution system improvements, and associated water services and appurtenances. Any comments regarding this application should be submitted to the Town of LaFayette.

**R-146-24 Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Dwyer seconded the motion to set forth the Notice of Intent to submit to USDA Rural Development for funding for the Expanded Cardiff Water District. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

- B. Former Highway Garage
  - 1. Approve resolution to schedule public hearing at 11/7/24 meeting about the sale of the property to LRC and about the application for funding to remediate the property

TOWN OF LAFAYETTE

ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

RESOLUTION SCHEDULING A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING  
SELLING THE FORMER TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE PROPERTY  
TO THE LAFAYETTE REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND  
APPLYING FOR A US EPA CLEANUP GRANT.

WHEREAS, the Town of LaFayette currently owns the former Town highway garage property at 2447 US Route 11, LaFayette, NY 13084 and leases it to a private entity for the sale of storage sheds.

WHEREAS, the property is known to have the presence of environmental contaminants including petroleum-related volatile organic compounds (VOCs), primarily benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX), in the soil and groundwater.

WHEREAS, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides a competitive funding program, the Brownfield Cleanup Grant, to remediate environmental contamination at sites so they can be redeveloped. As part of the grant application, an Analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) has been prepared, laying out options and costs for cleanup strategies.

WHEREAS, the EPA Cleanup Grant application, due November 14, 2024, requires that the community be notified and allowed to provide feedback on the ABCA and the grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 8th day of October 2024, by the Town Board of the Town of LaFayette, in the County of Onondaga and State of New York that

1. A public hearing will be held on November 7, 2024 to provide information to and receive feedback from the community regarding selling the property at 2447 US Route 11, LaFayette, NY 13084 to the LaFayette Redevelopment Corporation and applying for a US EPA Cleanup Grant to implement environmental remediation on the property.

RESOLVED, and ordered that the Town Clerk give notice of such hearing by publishing in the official Town newspaper the Notice of Public Hearing in substantially the form attached hereto and by posting the Notice of Public Hearing on the Town's official sign-board, and on the Town's website, no later than October 31, 2024.

The question of adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

Supervisor William McConnell	Voted	Yes
Councilor Melanie Palmer	Voted	Yes
Councilor Carole Dwyer	Voted	Yes
Councilor Jerry Marzo	Voted	Yes

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted on 10/8/2024

**R-147-24 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to schedule a public hearing regarding selling the former LaFayette Highway Garage to the LRC Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

2. Approve cost for the survey & legal description for the property

**R-148-24 Councilor Dwyer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to authorize Supervisor McConnell to work with C & S Engineering to provide the survey and legal description up to \$5,000. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

C. Verizon Tower Update

**R-149-24 Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the agreement allowing Verizon to add equipment and update the Groth Road cell tower. Motion carried 4 -0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

D. LaFayette Substance Free After Prom Support -the Town Clerk explained that in the past the town has graciously supported this worthwhile cause with support in the amount of \$250.00

**R-150-24 Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Dwyer seconded the motion to support the 2025 LaFayette After Prom event in the amount of \$250. Motion carried 5-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

E. Declare the two broken court desks as scrap - Town Clerk Kristin Shute Colburn explained that the court clerk's 2 desks have arrived and the broken desks need to be scrapped

**R-151-24** **Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to scrap the two broken court desks. Motion Carried 4-0**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

F. Library Building Permit Fee Waived for the new sign

**R-152-24** **Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Dwyer seconded the motion to waive the permit fee for the new electronic sign for the library. Motion Carried 4-0**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

7. COMMUNICATONS FROM THE PUBLIC - 3 MINUTE LIMIT PER SPEAKER

8. BOARD ACTION

9. REPORTS

A. Departmental

1. Town Supervisor

a. July Monthly Audit

**R-153-24** **Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion that a positive audit of the July, 2024 bank reconciliation of the Supervisor's account as completed by Councilor Palmer was appropriate. Motion carried 4 - 0**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

b. August Monthly Audit

**R-154-24** **Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Dwyer seconded the motion that a positive audit of the August, 2024 bank reconciliation of the Supervisor's account as completed by Councilor Loughlin was appropriate. Motion carried 4 - 0**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Carole Dwyer**

**Councilor**

**Voted**

**Yes**

b. September Monthly Audit to be completed by Supervisor McConnell at the Monday, October 14, 2024 Budget meeting

c. Transfer of appropriations was not required at this meeting

2. Attorney - Nothing further to discuss at this time.

3. Highway Superintendent's Report -

Roads: We completed in mid-September cutting brush back and trimming trees along our rights-of-way. Miner tree trimming will continue thru the fall. Miscellaneous repairs and general maintenance to our roads, ditches and culverts will continue through the fall months and into winter.

Highway Business: Our staff completed our annual 2-year First-Aid/CPR/AED training on 10/2/2024. The training was performed by The American Red Cross. "FEMA" I am anticipating to be obligated by the end of October with our last location "2026 Clark Hollow Road". I have been assigned a new PDMG (my sixth case handler) from FEMA. She happens to be our first case handler and has informed me that FEMA's (upper management) has granted her the ability to deal directly with the CRC and not follow the normal protocols. This will help expedite our completion of our last location after 3 long years. I will be working with C&S Engineer's to develop a scope of work/spec/drawings for Deer Run Road and upon obligation for Clark Hollow Road in the months to come

4. Town Clerk

a. The monthly report for September 2024 is on file.

5. Building & Zoning Code Enforcement/SPDES

a. The monthly report for September 2024 Building Permits is on file

6. Justice Court - September 2024 Justice

Judge Perrin had 197 and turned over \$18,394.00 to the Town of LaFayette for September 2024.

Judge Shute had 161 cases and turned over \$13,626.00 to the Town of LaFayette for September 2024

7. Library Director -Written report is on file with the town clerk.

8. LCC - The monthly report for September 2024 is on file

9. LaFayette Fire / Ambulance Department the monthly reports are on file.

B. Committee Reports

1. LACC (Peyton Kremers) - The monthly report for September 2024 is on file

2. Community Development

- Community Center Update - Councilor Dwyer provided some pictorial updates of the Community Center renovations and advised that they do not currently have time of completion but hopes to have it done soon.

3. Safety & Facility Maintenance (Ashlie Carrier & Steve Pitoniak) - The monthly reports are on file

**R-155-24** **Councilor Dwyer moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to purchase lithium battery safe bag/glove alternative at a cost of \$700. Motion carried 4 - 0**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Tax Cap- Association of Towns - Attorney Brown explained that New York State requires municipalities the Town to pass a Local Law (Local Law 3-2024) if there is any possibility that the local government will exceed the 2% tax cap limit.

**R-156-24** **Councilor Marzo moved and Councilor Palmer seconded the motion to set the public hearing for Local Law 3-2024 to override the NYS 2% tax cap. Motion carried 4-0**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

- b. Assign a delegate to attend Association of Towns Conference, Supervisor McConnell volunteered to attend.

**R-157-24** **Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion authorize Supervisor McConnell as the Town delegate for the Association of Towns Conference and authorize funds for travel & hotel expenses. Motion carried 4-0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Jerry Marzo</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Carole Dwyer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

11. Executive Session (if necessary) -Not required at this meeting.

12. Motion to audit & pay bills

**R-158-24** **Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to audit and pay bills. Motion carried 5- 0.**

<b>William McConnell</b>	<b>Supervisor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Melanie Palmer</b>	<b>Councilor</b>	<b>Voted</b>	<b>Yes</b>

**Jerry Marzo  
Carole Dwyer**

**Councilor  
Councilor**

**Voted  
Voted**

**Yes  
Yes**

**R-159-24**

**Councilor Palmer moved and Councilor Marzo seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:49 pm. Motion carried 4-0**

**William McConnell  
Melanie Palmer  
Jerry Marzo  
Carole Dwyer**

**Supervisor  
Councilor  
Councilor  
Councilor**

**Voted  
Voted  
Voted Yes  
Voted**

**Yes  
Yes  
Yes  
Yes**

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Shute Colburn, Town Clerk