PERSONS PRESENT

TOWN BOARD

Supervisor: Merilee Walker Councilperson: Martha Blair Councilperson: James Forrester Councilperson: Michael Hillier Councilperson: David Page

RECORDING CLERK

Tamara McCallum

PERSONNEL

Assessor: Brian Knapp, *absent* CEO/ZEO: Mark Mullikin

Police Chief: Ryan Dale, absent

Historian: Valerie Griffing

Hwy Superintendent: Tim Cassidy Planning Board Chairman: Alex Pierce

VISITORS

Steve Rapp, Brett Murray, Sandy Schneible, Steve Kibler, Office Connor Reilly, Officer Zach Laffin, Officer Mike Kurtz.

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Walker called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call was made with all Councilmembers present.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

All stood as Steve Rapp led the pledge of allegiance.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the following meeting:

• Regular Board Meeting of August 12, 2025 after a correction was noted that Mark Mullikin was the leader of the Pledge of Allegiance. **The motion was made** by Councilperson Blair, seconded by Councilperson Hillier and carried 5-0.

PRIVELEGE OF THE FLOOR

Sandy Schneible shared a Memorandum of Understanding changing the name of Letchworth Gateway Villages to Letchworth Genesee Valley Partnership. She reported that the organization has gone from 3 participants to 10.

CEO/ZEO

Mark Mullikin discussed his written report. Councilperson Forrester asked Mark what we can do about a property on Fair Street in Dalton that is an absolute disaster and should be condemned. Mark suggested that our Attorney be consulted for advice. Councilperson Hillier suggested that the property should be tagged, and progressive disciplinary action be taken. Mark reported that he would like to bring Kevin Margerum in for the next couple of months as a deputy, then when

appointment time comes around in January, Mark would become the deputy and continue training Kevin on a part-time basis.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OFFICERS

Councilperson Hillier introduced Officers Connor Reilly, Zachary Laffin and Mike Kurtz. Officers Reilly and Laffin are new hires, and Officer Kurtz is returning to the force after an injury.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Historian Valerie Griffing discussed her written report. She will be attending the annual meeting of the Government Appointed Historians of Western New York, held in Varysburg, NY on 9/13/25.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Councilperson Forrester reported that, after looking at the Spectrum Enterprise proposal for Dedicated Internet for the Government Center, the Town's wireless and firewall management services should remain with Hurricane Technologies and Spectrum should be contacted to provide only the Internet services shown. Councilperson Forrester will follow up with the .gov domain for the Town's email addresses.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Chairperson Pierce discussed the minutes of the Planning Board meeting held September 2, 2025. He and Kirby Kiser will be meeting this week to finish up the Comprehensive Plan. There was a discussion on the necessity of completing the bridges and other infrastructure on the Greenway Trail in Nunda.

POLICE REPORT

Councilperson Hillier spoke about the Chief's written report. The Police Commissioners met at BBS Accounting LLC to prepare the Police Budget.

HIGHWAY REPORT

Highway Superintendent Cassidy discussed his written report. The part for the grader came in and it's being repaired. The Town of Ossian and the Town of Portage have helped grade the roads that have been worked on.

BUDGET REPORT AND SUPERVISOR'S STATEMENT

Supervisor Walker discussed the Budget Report and the Supervisor's Statement for August 2025. There are \$2,049.68 in Water and Sewer payments that need to be re-levied on to the owner's Town and County taxes for next year. All monies that are available will be invested in NYCLASS this month.

CLERK AND JUSTICE REPORTS

The August 2025 Clerk and Justice reports were reviewed and discussed. The Town Clerk presented the 2026 Tentative Budget to the Board.

ALL REPORTS/ONE MOTION

A motion was made by Councilperson Hillier to accept all reports, seconded by Councilperson Forrester and carried 5-0.

AUDIT BILLS

The original Audited and signed abstracts were as follows:

- ❖ General Fund Vouchers numbered 256-279, in the amount of \$8,353.95 as set forth in abstract number G-9, dated 9/09/25.
- ❖ Highway Fund Vouchers numbered 147-166, in the amount of \$178,463.65 as set forth in abstract number H-9, dated 9/09/25.
- ❖ Police Fund Vouchers numbered 60-64, in the amount of \$486.54 as set forth in abstract number P-9, dated 9/09/25.

A motion was made to approve the audited abstracts by Councilperson Hillier, seconded by Councilperson Blair and carried 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

- ➤ The Supervisor discussed the Livingston County Vacant Rental Program and the need for more public housing.
- ➤ There was an incident in the Village of a loose Pitbull dog attacking another dog being walked on a leash. The Town updated its Dog Law in September 18, 2018, and a ticket was written to the owner under the Ag and Markets law for 4 unlicensed dogs.
- The Supervisor will be meeting with the Teamsters Union to go over the new contract on Monday, September 15, 2025, at 11:00 AM.

OLD BUSINESS

A. The UTV local law. The Police Commissioners and the Chief of Police met and combined areas of 3 different towns' UTV/ATV laws. The Clerk presented copies of the new draft of this law to the Board. Councilperson/Commissioner Hillier asked the Board to take the document home and study it and give thoughts at next meeting. Councilperson/Commissioner Page agreed and mentioned that the next steps would be to follow the recommendation of our Attorney and run it past our insurance carrier. Also, the Board needs to formally make a finding, in the form of a resolution, that this is necessary for the Town to do. After this is done, a public hearing can be held.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. **There was a motion** to have the Supervisor sign the 2026 service agreement with Johnson Controls for fire suppression and sprinkler service. **The motion was made** by Councilperson Hillier, seconded by Councilperson Page and carried 5-0.
- B. A special meeting of the Board will be held to discuss the Tentative Budget on October 21, 2025, at 7:00 PM.
- C. The date for a Public Hearing on the 2026 Preliminary Budget was set for October 28, 2025, at 6:00 PM.

There was a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:36 PM made by Councilperson Forrester, seconded by Councilperson Blair and carried 5-0.

There was a motion to exit Executive Session at 9:10 PM, with no action taken, made by Councilperson Blair, seconded by Councilperson Forrester and carried 5-0.

There was a motion to allow Rodney Green to purchase his remaining sick time for use as Health Insurance, not to include HSA or Dental/Vision made by Councilperson Blair, seconded by Councilperson Hillier and carried 5-0.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara McCallum Town Clerk