

Village of Lima Board Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2026

Present: John Skiptuans, Mayor; Trustees Ben Dodzweit and Joshua Petraitis.

Others Present: Elissa Sackett, Clerk; Ben Luft, DPW Supervisor.

Absent: Daniel Marcellus, Deputy Mayor; Brian Smith, Trustee; Megan O’Leary, Village Attorney; Charles Floeser, Code Enforcement Officer; David Kirkwood, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

The meeting of the Village of Lima was called to order Mayor Skiptunas at 7:00pm Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at Lima Town Hall, 7329 E. Main St.

A motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to approve the meeting minutes from August 11, 2026. Motion carried.

Guest – Steve Werner

Mr. Werner was present to discuss the following:

- Provide updates to the new loan closet building at the ambulance base.
- Discussed maintenance at the park.
- Discussed the proposed community center and next steps.
- Asked about the status of the Boy Scout dock project – Having issues ordering all the necessary materials for the project. Clerk Sackett will follow up this week.

Department Reports

Fire Department – Dick Garey, Fire Chief

No report provided before meeting. Mayor Skiptunas and Chief Garey discussed a proposed agreement with Honeoye Falls Fire Department for the loan of 4 radios. There is no cost to obtain the radios, and Honeoye Falls will be in charge of maintenance on them. The only caveat is if HF requests them back, they must be turned over.

Motion

Motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to approve Mayor Skiptunas to sign the agreement with Honeoye Falls Fire Department for the loan of 4 radios. Motion carried.

Two applications for membership were presented to the board; one for a junior member and one authorizing the move of a junior member to a regular member. Both applicants have been approved by the Fire Department Membership.

Motion

Motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to approve Gavin Rose as a junior member of the Lima Fire Department, and Evelyn Rose as a junior member to regular member of the Lima Fire Department. Motion carried.

Ambulance – Meg Rose, Ambulance Chief

Please review report provided by Chief Rose. She requested approval to receive and install dash cameras in both ambulances and in the fly car. The hardware would be at no cost, and monthly reoccurring fees would be approximately \$160 per month. Chief rose stated the cost is well within their budget, and the cameras will help with a variety of oversight and regulatory areas.

Motion

Motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to approval Chief Rose to move forward with the dash camera project. Motion carried.

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WWTP – David Kirkwood, Plant Operator

No report provided before meeting.

Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) – Charlie Floeser

Please review report provided by CEO Floeser.

DPW – Ben Luft

Mr. Luft is looking at purchasing a new snow pusher for this upcoming year. The current snow pusher is approximately 25 years old and is in need of replacing. He requested to advertise for \$14k to cover the purchase from the Highway Reserve.

Motion

Motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to advertise to withdrawal up to \$14k from the Highway Reserve to purchase a new snow pusher. Motion carried.

End of summer items are being taken care of this week. Hydrants are being flushed, next week brush pick up will take place. The flowers have been removed from the downtown district, and the road project (Evergreen St) has been completed.

Mr. Luft will be meeting with the salesman regarding the new leaf machine tractor. He will be setting up a time to test drive the tractor and see if it will fit the needs of the village. If so, he will move forward with the purchase. The funds will initially be paid by the village but then will be reimbursed through the CHIPS program.

Clerk Report – Elissa Sackett

Will be out of the office the first week in October. Requesting limited office hours that week to return phone calls and pick/sort the mail. She will also be working on the front room starting this coming Thursday and continuing as time permits over the next couple of weeks.

Several invoices were available to the board for review/approval. Payments were the following:

- Ambulance Fund: \$17547.71
- General Fund: \$31450.01
- Sewer Fund: \$7679.14
- Water Fund: \$27168.46
- Capital Fiber: \$ -
- Grand Total: \$83845.32

Motion

Motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to authorize payment of invoices. Motion carried.

Board Reports

Mayor Skiptunas

- No updates at this time.

Deputy Mayor Marcellus

- Absent.

Trustee Smith

- Absent.

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Trustee Petraitis

- The Boy Scouts are in need of a place to park their trailer as the current location is no longer available. Suggestions were made to ask the Town to park it in the back lot or to reach out to Elim College to see if they have room for it.

Trustee Dodzweit

- No updates at this time.

Policy and Procedures

Several polies and procedures will be discussed at the work session on September 22, 2026.

Old Business

No old business was discussed.

New Business

Resolution – Return Unpaid Taxes to Livingston County – See attached resolution.

Proclamation Declaring Constitution Week September 17 – 23 – See attached proclamation.

Planning Board Vacancies – Clerk Sackett was notified by the Planning Board Secretary that the Village has a vacant seat on the Planning Board, as well as a vacant alternate seat. Mayor Skiptunas will reach out to individuals to see if they are interested in the open positions.

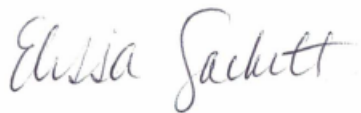
Public Comment

Mr. Werner stated Water District 5 has had some setbacks with the DEC but is now moving forward again. He anticipates the project will go to bid before the end of the year with hopes to break ground Q1 2027.

Executive Session

Motion was made by Trustee Petraitis and seconded by Trustee Dodzweit to enter executive session at to discuss matters pertaining to the employment of an individual. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Elissa Sackett
Village Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Lima

***All documents listed in the minutes are available to review at the Village office during regular business hours.**

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**VILLAGE OF LIMA
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF NEW YORK**

RESOLUTION NO. 7 -2026

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LIVINGSTON COUNTY TO COLLECT UNPAID
VILLAGE TAXES**

WHEREAS, the Village of Lima hereby requests that the County of Livingston collect unpaid Village taxes pursuant to Local Law #2 of the year 1987, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Lima will take no action to recover said unpaid taxes pursuant to Section 1440 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York and no sale on account of said unpaid taxes will be held pursuant to law,

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Village of Lima officially requests that the County of Livingston collect unpaid Village taxes for the tax levy of June 2026 as of October 1, 2026 pursuant to Section 1442 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law.

And it is further resolved that a copy of this resolution, duly certified by the Clerk/Treasurer of the Village of Lima shall be transmitted to the Livingston County Treasurer and the Clerk of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors.

Trustee seconded the motion, and it was carried by the following vote:

John Skiptunas, Mayor	Yes
Daniel Marcellus, Deputy Mayor	Absent
Brian Smith, Trustee	Absent
Joshua Petraitis, Trustee	Yes
Benjamin Dodzweit, Trustee	Yes

Resolution:

X Carried Defeated

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Proclamation

Whereas, the week of September 17 - September 23 is Constitution Week in the United States of America; and

Whereas, the United States Constitution was written in 1787, ratified in 1788, and has been in operation since 1789 and is the world's longest surviving written charter of government. It affirms that the government of the United States exists to serve its citizens; and

Whereas, in 1955, the Daughters of the American Revolution petitioned Congress to observe Constitution Week the week of September 14 - September 20. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed the resolution into public law on August 2, 1956; and

Whereas, Constitution Week reminds us of our responsibility to respect and defend the Constitution, remember that the Constitution is the basis for America's heritage, and encourages us to study the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution; and NOW,

We, John Skiptunas, Josh Petraitis, Ben Dodzweit hereby acknowledge the week of September 17 - September 23 as:

CONSTITUTION WEEK

and celebrate the liberties, freedoms, and inalienable rights the Constitution gives us.