

A Town Board Meeting was held on September 4, 2025, at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**  
Kevin Rode, Supervisor  
Jeffrey Kudarauskas, Councilor  
Robert Geraci, Councilor  
Peter Moore, Councilor

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

Supervisor Rode called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with a pledge to the Flag.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Town Clerk, Dina Falcone, Al Yager, Town Engineer, Cerio Law Firm Attorney, and several guests and residents.

**ADOPTION OF AUGUST 21, 2025 MEETING MINUTES**

**RES#146/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Geraci** to adopt the August 21, 2025 Town Board meeting minutes.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

All ayes, motion carried.

**Citizens Comments**

A resident suggested that certain Town forms, particularly those used by the Code Enforcement Office (e.g., complaint forms, site review forms, building permit forms), be redesigned as fillable PDFs. She noted that this would make it easier for residents to complete, improve legibility, and assist with recordkeeping.

The resident also raised awareness of upcoming federal accessibility requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), effective April 24, 2026. These guidelines apply to municipalities with populations over 50,000 and involve web and mobile app accessibility standards (WCAG). She noted that while enforcement may initially target larger municipalities, smaller ones could also be subject to complaints or lawsuits. She suggested the Town review its website and documents for compliance and consider steps to make content more accessible.

There were no Town Board comments.

**Supervisor’s Comments**

- School tax collection has begun. The Tax Office is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A secure drop box is available by the front doors for payments. Please note that there was a delay in the county mailing tax bills.
- The Golden Harvest Festival at Beaver Lake will be held this weekend from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
- The spray park is currently closed due to a pump discharge issue.
- The new playground equipment (Ninja course) is scheduled for delivery to the park. The project is expected to be completed either later this fall or early next spring.

**Agenda Items**

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MELVIN FARMS INCENTIVE  
ZONING LETTER OF INTENT**

**RES#147/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to accept the Melvin Farms Incentive Zoning Letter of Intent dated August 20, 2025 to create an incentive zoning area according to the map. All details will be more particularly set forth in a long-form resolution subject to Town Attorney approval. *This project has received a negative SEQR declaration by the Town Board as Lead Agency, in December of 2024.*

Roll Vote: Supervisor Rode   Aye                      Councilor Kudarauskas   Aye                      Councilor Geraci           Aye  
Councilor Moore                   Aye

**All ayes, motion carried.**

*Supervisor Rode explained that the project has been under discussion for over 20 years, evolving from TDR to incentive zoning. A major factor in his support is the need to bring sewer service to the peninsula, where dry sewers were installed decades ago. He emphasized the importance of creating diverse housing options, such as senior apartments, townhomes, and single-family homes, which will allow residents to remain in the community as their needs change. He also noted the community benefits included in the proposal; \$4.2 million in sewer improvements, approximately \$181,000 in park fees, and 120 acres of preserved green space. He thanked the developer for working with residents and reducing the project from 588 to 537 units.*

*Town Engineer Al Yager explained that incentive zoning allows increased housing density in exchange for community benefits. The Town Board’s approval at this stage sets the maximum density but does not finalize the project. The developer must still obtain Planning Board approvals, which will include public hearings for subdivisions. He stressed that this is conceptual approval only, and changes should be expected as the design is refined. He outlined the next steps: the Town Board will be asked to approve design services for the Cold Spring Sewer District, Phase I. After a public hearing and formation of the district, the Town will move into final design and bonding for its share of infrastructure. The developer will construct the pump station and force main, while the Town will construct connecting sewer mains. The design phase is expected to be complete by Fall 2026, with the goal of having the sewer system operational by the start of the 2027–2028 school year to serve Palmer Elementary.*

**MOTION TO ADOPT A LOCAL LAW REGARDING THE 2025 LYSANDER CODE CHANGES**

**RES#148/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Geraci** to adopt a local law regarding the 2025 Lysander Code Changes.

Supervisor Rode                   Aye                      Councilor Kudarauskas   Aye                      Councilor Geraci           Aye  
Councilor Moore                   Aye

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO INCREASE THE PAY OF DEPUTY TAX RECEIVER**

**RES#149/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to increase the pay of the Deputy Tax Receiver to \$20.24 per hour per the union contract.

Supervisor Rode                   Aye                      Councilor Kudarauskas   Aye                      Councilor Geraci           Aye  
Councilor Moore                   Aye

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO HOLD AND ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A  
LOCAL LAW UNDER CHAPTER 102-7 OF THE TOWN CODE  
TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM ON TIER 2 BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE**

**RES#150/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to hold a public hearing on September 18, 2025 at 6:30 PM at the Town of Lysander, to consider a local law under Chapter 102-7 of the Town Code – “Tier 2 Battery Energy Storage” in the Town of Lysander. This moratorium will be extended to November 21, 2025.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO HOLD AND ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A LOCAL  
LAW UNDER ARTICLE XXIX (29) TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM ON SOLAR FARMS**

**RES#151/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Moore** to hold a public hearing on September 18, 2025 at 6:30 PM at the Town of Lysander, to consider a local law under Article XXIX (29) to extend the moratorium on “solar farms” in the Town of Lysander. This moratorium will be extended to November 21, 2025.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO DESIGNATE THE POST STANDARD AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF TOL**

**RES#152/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to designate *The Post Standard* as the official newspaper of the Town of Lysander. Effective immediately, the *Baldwinsville Messenger* will no longer be considered an official newspaper of the Town, and will no longer be used to publish legal notices and ads.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO SET THE WHITETAIL WOODS SECTION C2 PUNCH LIST SECURITY  
GUARANTEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,600**

**RES#153/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to set the Whitetail Woods Section C2 punch list security guarantee in the amount of \$89,600 as recommended in the Town Engineer’s letter dated August 21, 2025.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO SET THE WHITETAIL WOODS SECTION C2  
MAINTENANCE GUARANTEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,050**

**RES#154/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to set the Whitetail Woods Section C2 maintenance guarantee in the amount of \$71,050 representing 25% of the value of improvements included in the Town Engineer’s letter dated August 21, 2025.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO HIRE KEVIN SToudenMYRE AS SUMMER AIDE**

**RES#155/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to hire Kevin Stoudenmyre as Summer Aide effective as of Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at an hourly rate of \$16.50.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

**MOTION TO AMEND LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2012/STREET SPECIFICATIONS**

**RES#156/2025**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to refer to the Onondaga County Planning Board and the Town of Lysander Planning Board the proposed amendment of Local Law number 4 of 2012 (A-337 Street Specifications) to allow the option of concrete gutters on town roads.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to adjourn the Town Board meeting at 7:00 PM.

Supervisor Rode	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye				

**All ayes, motion carried.**

This is a true and complete recording  
of the action taken at this meeting.

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk