

LAGRANGE TOWN BOARD

MEETING REPORT

Compiled by Dave Siegel, Secretary LaGrange Democratic Committee

Date: November 5, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Meeting Called to order by: Allan Bell, Town Supervisor

Agenda Items

- Meeting minutes from the last Town Board meeting (10/15/2025) were accepted with Amendments.
- Correspondence – None
- Public Hearing: Special District Assessment Rolls
 - Oral Resolution: Accept Special Districts Assessment Rolls – Accepted
- Public Hearing: Re-Levy for Water, Sewer, Property Maintenance and Fire Inspection Fees
 - Resolution for Re-Levy – Accepted
- Resolution: 2024 Annual Financial Audit for the Town - Accepted
- Consideration of an Engagement Agreement with Van De Water & Van De Water Law Firm – Accepted
- Consideration of Agreement with Van De Water & Van De Water for Tax Certiorari Services - Accepted (this is for the legal process property owners use to challenge a real estate tax assessment that they believe is incorrect or unfairly high).
- Consideration of Agreement with DC Waste Management – Textile Recycling – This would allow them to operate in our town. Probably will be a curbside pickup service - Accepted
- Resolution: Tolling Agreement – Lester Building Systems – This is for the legal proceedings regarding the Salt Shed. It will extend the Statute of Limitations to 2029. - Accepted
- Parks & Recreation is asking for the re-allocation of \$25,000.00 from “Programs for the Aging” to the Recreation Budget and approval of an additional \$7,796.00 for a new Senior Center to be

located at Freedom Plains Presbyterian Church – Tabled because this needs the Preliminary Budget for 2026 to be amended and it also requires a Public Hearing.

- Presentation: Office of Veterans Affairs of Dutchess County

- 5.3% of the residents of LaGrange are Veterans
- They would like a page on the Town's website dedicated to the VA (VA will help maintain)
- We will have a VA Liaison
- There will be a Veterans Newsletter available and a Community Bulleting Board
- VA is trying to target younger Veterans and make them aware of benefits they may be entitled to.

Town Board Comments

Supervisor Bell had two items:

- Comptroller's September Financial Report is ready for review
- Drainage District budget changes – This is Tabled because they are looking to lower the amount collected for maintenance and they are unclear on what that amount should be.

Councilperson Rabasco had one item:

- He wanted an update on where we were with Live Streaming Town Meetings. Supervisor Bell said they were awaiting the Contract from Spectrum which will contain \$12,500.00 we can use toward equipment. MJM is the company the Town has decided to go with for equipment and professional services. It was decided to move ahead and approve the proposal from MJM, contingent on the contract from Spectrum being approved and executed.

Town Attorney – None.

Public Comments - None.

Meeting was adjourned 7:40 PM.

