

Village of Leicester

August 17, 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Briffa called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Barry Briffa
Trustees: Dan Christiano, Donald Jacobs; Tom Frantz
Clerk-Treasurer: Deborah Beardsley
Deputy Clerk: Samantha Bodratti
Highway Superintendent: Russ Page
Water Operator:
Zoning/Code Enforcement:
Residents and Guests: Maria Briffa

EXCUSED: Trustee Christiano made a motion to excuse Trustee Rizzo which was 2nd by Trustee Jacobs.
[Motion Carried 3-0]

MINUTES: The minutes of July 20, 2026 Board Meeting were accepted on a motion by Trustee Christiano, 2nd by Trustee Jacobs. [Motion Carried 3-0]

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fire District: none

Highway Department Report: Superintendent Page had nothing new to report.

Water Report: Mayor Briffa presented the following:

- Deputy Clerk Bodratti met with representatives from Ferguson and Master Meter regarding their products. Pricing for both were provided to Board Members. There are two options available, sonar and mechanical. The Village's read software has been troublesome as well as there is only one computer that will run the software and one "Trimble" to read meters, both could fail at any time. There is no support for our current system and no updates to the software are available. Sonar meters provide real time data and are more reliable than our current meters or even mechanical meters. There are no cellular overages to be concerned with, and they provide training and support now and ongoing for a yearly fee, the same as we pay Williamson for our billing software. (Billing and reading are two separate software systems necessary to generate water bills.) They also provide installation. Available discounts available which Deputy Clerk Bodratti will inquire about as well as financial terms available and time frame of installation.

Further discussion included continued ability to acquire water from Village of Mt. Morris.

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Motion made by Mayor Briffa to accept the full cellular AMI Solution turnkey pricing proposal from Ferguson Waterworks (which includes meters and automation, software startup and training installation, supply and installation) for a total of \$190,923.00 with contingency of further 10% discount.

Roll Call Vote: Trustee Jacobs – Yes; Trustee Christiano – yes; Trustee Frantz – yes; Mayor Briffa – yes.
[Motion Carried 4-0]

Water Report:

- Discussed water leak process including mapping of lines by LCWSA.

Zoning Report:

- Property on corner of Mahoney near railroad tracks is not being kept up as far as mowing. Also a storage shed was placed on lot with no permit or request for permit. Village cannot maintain as it is private property. Code Enforcement Office to be advised.
- September 30 deadline for Main St property to be habitable to continue current building project.
- Discussion included various properties within the Town that have unkempt properties.

OLD BUSINESS:

Chips Money: Currently about \$47,000 available. Plan to spend last year's roll over money for this year's road work.

SAM Grant: No further word. Mayor Briffa plans to speak with Senator Helming again.

NEW BUSINESS:

Parking at Corner of Pleasant and Main – not addressed.

Highway Work Permit – NYS Department of Transportation Undertaking resolution update requested. In 2007 the meeting minutes were included with the PERM1 document, but no resolution was sent or can be located in the Village office. Document involves liability and responsibility and state highways work permits. Highway Superintendent Page recommended that the Village should check with the Village insurance company for their position prior to adopting a resolution and signing the Undertaking document to be sure it is required. Discussion included potential for a crosswalk in the business district at some future time.

Association of Villages – Bank account went inactive. Decision made to reactivate and close account after Mayor Briffa reached out to the various Villages. Have not had a meeting since 2023. Money in account to be disbursed equally to the nine Villages.

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MAYORS REPORT:

Maria Briffa will continue to tend to the flowers in the Village for the remainder of 2026.

Signs at four entry points of Village possibly need to be refurbished. Quote to be received.

CLERKS REPORT:

Refund received for insurance coverage for a trailer that is now owned by the Fire District.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AUDIT OF BILLS:

Trustee Christiano motioned, 2nd by Trustee Jacobs, to accept the bills as audited. [Motion Carried 3-0]

General Fund Vouchers 3569 - 3591 \$8,870.92 Water Fund Vouchers 1358 - 1362 \$1,321.62

NEXT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING:

Board of Trustees Meeting, September 21, 2026, at 6:00 pm at Village Hall. ***NOTE TIME CHANGE***

ADJOURNMENT: Trustee Christiano motioned, 2nd by Trustee Frantz to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 pm.
[Motion Carried 3-0]

Respectfully Submitted,
Deborah Beardsley
Clerk-Treasurer
Village of Leicester