

**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING - TOWN OF BOSTON**

**April 17, 2024 - 7:30 P.M.**

**ITEM NO. I PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer
4. Other Preliminary Matters

**ITEM NO. II REGULAR BUSINESS**

1. Correction and Adoption of the Minutes from March 6 and March 20, 2024
2. Consideration of all Fund Bills

**ITEM NO. III CORRESPONDENCE**

1. Town Clerk's Report for March 2024
2. Dog Control Officer Report for March 2024
3. Erie County Draft Minutes from February 22, 2024 & Association of Erie County Governments  
March 2024 Statement and The Dynamics of Snow Forecasting in the Buffalo Area
4. Erie-Net Local Development Corporation
5. Town of Boston Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee Meeting Notes from March 18, 2024
6. By The Numbers Community Profile – Boston, NY
7. Letter from Mark Poloncarz, County Executive – Affirmative Action Officer Training
8. AOT 2024-25 One House Budget Bill Summaries – Impact on Towns
9. Erie County Department of Environment and Planning, Re: Community Development Block  
Grant Report – 4/01/2023-3/22/2024
10. Letter from Boston Fire Company – Designation of points of contact for LOSAP program

#### **ITEM NO. IV NEW BUSINESS**

1. Requests from the Floor (3-minute time limit per person)
2. Resolution 2024-27 Authorizing Primary and General Election Polling Place Lease Agreement
3. Resolution 2024-28 Accepting Comments of CPL Engineering and Knauf Shaw on the Large-Scale Solar Project and directing Knauf Shaw to issue the comments to the Project Applicant on behalf of the Town Board
4. Appointment of Board of Assessment Review Members

#### **ITEM NO. V OLD BUSINESS**

1. Schedule Public Hearing on Fill Permit Application for Matt Kolodziejczak, 7008 Omphalius Road
2. Schedule Public Hearing on Fill Permit Application for Matt Kolodziejczak, 7631 Zimmerman Road
3. Resolution 2024-26 Adoption of Vehicle Usage Policy

#### **ITEM NO. VI REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

1. Highway Superintendent
2. Councilmembers
3. Town Clerk
4. Supervisor

#### **ITEM NO. VII ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

1. Adjournment of Meeting

# DRAFT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 6, 2024

TOWN HALL  
7:30 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Jason Keding, Councilman Michael Cartechine, Councilwoman Jennifer Lucachik, Councilwoman Kelly Martin, and Councilwoman Kathleen Selby.

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Telaak and Attorney for the Town Costello.

Supervisor Keding stated there are no Preliminary matters.

Regular business:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2024 regular meeting.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills in the amount of \$294,300.32 be paid.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

Supervisor Keding stated the following has been received and filed under correspondence:

Town Clerk's Report for January 2024

NYSEG and RG&E Remind Customers of Resources to Manage Energy Bills - February 7, 2024

NYSEG and RG&E Deliver Best Reliability in Five Years - February 14, 2024

NYSEG and RG&E Preparing for Widespread Wind Event Expected to Impact State - February 28, 2024

Letter from Erie County Department of Public Works - Notice of Road Closure, Cole Road between Ward Road and Old Lower East Hill Road

Letter from Erie County Department of Public Works - Notice of Road Closure, Boston State Road between Boston Cross Road and Liebler Road

Letter from the Boston Free Library - Lease & Depository Agreement for 2024

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TOWN HALL  
7:30 P.M.

Letter from Erie County Water Authority - Lead and Copper Rule Revisions and Improvements

Letter from County Executive Poloncarz - NEST Solid Waste Management Plan 2020-2030

Letter from Erie County Legislator Mills - Supervisor Keding named President of Association of Erie County Governments 2024

Western New York Southtowns Scenic Byway - Buffalo Bills Partnership Proposal

Letter from Pinsky Law Group - Flat Fee Retainer: Service Awards Points Review

2023 Annual Report on Revenues and Expenditures of Foreign Fire Insurance Premiums from Patchin Volunteer Exempt Fireman's Benevolent Association

Letter from National Fuel - Highway & Municipal Construction Projects

Use of Meeting Facility- Boston Democratic Social Club meetings

Use of Meeting Facility - Supervisor Keding LOSAP meeting

Use of Meeting Facility - Supervisor Keding Comprehensive Plan Committee meetings

Use of Meeting Facility - Supervisor Keding Comprehensive Plan Public meeting

Senior Agreement 2024 - Boston Seniors

Senior Agreement 2024 - Boston Young at Heart

2023 Energy Benchmarking Report

Resignation letter from Deborah Catalano, Board of Assessment Review Member

Letter from Erie County Department of Senior Services regarding April 8<sup>th</sup> solar eclipse

New business:

Supervisor Keding stated the floor is open for public comment.

The following person was heard:

Jeff Persanti

Supervisor Keding stated the floor is closed.



A motion was made by Supervisor Keding and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine,

**RESOLUTION 2024-21                      INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS  
AGREEMENT RELATED TO GATE IN EASEMENT GRANTED TO TOWN**

WHEREAS, Erie County Water Authority (the "Authority") operates and manages the water tower on behalf of the Town pursuant to a Lease Management Agreement entered by and between the Town and the Authority on October 8, 1998, as amended on April 21, 2005, and this includes using the Easement Area; and the Easement requires that there is open access to the Easement area and specifically states that "the Easement Area shall be kept open and free of obstructions at all times...so as to permit ... use [of] the Easement Area without interference;" and the Blacks have installed a gate on the Easement area for their security and convenience but in contravention of the terms of the Easement; and rather than demand the immediate removal of the gate, the Town, Authority, and Blacks now are considering entering into an agreement for the Blacks to indemnify and hold both the Town and the Authority harmless as to any damage and/or injuries which may be caused as result of the installation of said gate, inclusive of all claims, suits, causes of action, judgments or damages sustained by the Town or the Authority or any other person or persons for bodily injury or for injury to or loss of property resulting from, caused by or arising out of the conduct of owners, their agents, servants or invitees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute the proposed Indemnification and Hold Harmless agreement between the Town, Erie County Water Authority, and Paul and Crystal Black, relative to a gate erected by the Blacks in contravention of the terms of an easement to the Town.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Keding and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik,

**RESOLUTION 2024-22                      REFERRING LARGE-SCALE SOLAR PROJECT  
TO PLANNING BOARD AND CONSERVATION  
ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Boston has received applications for zoning variances, a special use permit, and site plan review from NY Boston II, LLC, an entity associated with Delaware River Solar, related to the development of a 3.6-megawatt solar facility at 7832 Feddick Road, the first proposed large-scale solar development in the Town; and the Town Board has classified the solar project as a SEQR Type I action and declared its intent to serve as lead agency,



with no other agency seeking lead agency status; and the Town has engaged special counsel and Town Engineer CPL to review the project and the SEQR form submitted by the applicant in advance of issuing a declaration regarding the project's potential impacts on the environment; and the Town Board expects its engineer and special counsel to have completed their review of the applicant's submissions by the end of March, and seeks the input, if any, of the Planning Board and Conservation Advisory Committee relative to the reports of the engineer and special counsel;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby requests that the Planning Board and Conservation Advisory Committee review the reports of the Town Engineer and/or the Town's special counsel regarding the potential environmental impact of the proposed large-scale solar development at 7832 Feddick Road at their April 2024 meetings, and that any comments or further questions be provided to the Town Board by April 12, so that this matter may be further considered at the Town Board's April 17 meeting.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to approve the Use of facility application from Boston Free Library, for Fundraiser, July 25, 2024, 2:30 pm to 9:30 pm, Boston Town Park, Lions Shelter, and bathroom facilities. Use of facility fee has been waived.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby to approve the Use of Facility application from Conservation Advisory Council, for Birdhouse Workshop, April 6, 2024, 10:30 am to 3:00 pm, Community room with kitchen, and bathroom facilities.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and was seconded by Supervisor Keding to approve the Use of Facility application from Conservation Advisory Council, for Fishing Derby, May 11, 2024, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, Community room with kitchen, and bathroom facilities, Boston Town Park, Lions Shelter, and bathroom facilities.



Motion Con't:

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine to approve the Use of Facility application from Trooper Brinkerhoff Foundation, for 5K race, June 14, 2024, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Community room, and June 15, 2024, 7:00 am to 2:00 pm, Boston Town Park, Lions Shelter, and bathroom facilities.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the Use of Sporting Facility application from Boston Youth Soccer League, for Soccer practice and games, July 1 to October 5, 2024, 5:30 pm, Soccer fields at Town Hall Park and North Boston Park.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

Old business:

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby,

**RESOLUTION 2024-18 REPAIR, COATING, AND STRIPING OF SPORTS COURTS**

WHEREAS, the hard-surface sports courts at the Town of Boston's Town Park are in a state of disrepair, with cracked, uneven surfaces that no longer are properly striped; and the Town has obtained a proposal from Super Seal Sealcoating LLC dated October 27, 2023 to power-wash, repair cracks and low spots, coat the surface with colored material, and line stripe the Town's hard-surface courts at Boston Town Park, which consist of one basketball court, two tennis courts, and two pickleball courts, for a total cost of \$83,200; and the Town can procure Super Seal's services by "piggybacking" pursuant to General Municipal Law § 103(16) off Equalis Group public sector purchasing cooperative's Master Agreement Contract No. COG-2138B with SportMaster for Sports Construction Services, as Super Seal Sealcoating is an authorized dealer pursuant to the SportMaster Master Agreement; and the Town Board wishes to



restore the Town's hard-surface sports courts to allow residents to fully benefit from these amenities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the procurement from Super Seal Sealcoating LLC of repairs, coating, and striping of the sports courts at Boston Town Park, as described in that firm's October 27, 2023 proposal and for a total cost not to exceed \$83,200.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

Reports and Presentations:

Highway Superintendent Telaak reported on the following:

Over the last few weeks the highway workers have been out trimming trees along the road, mostly they are all dead ash trees and pine trees leaning out towards the road that are going to fall into the road someday and cause problems. Done quite a bit on Hillcroft, Greenbriar, Rockwood Road, George Drive just to mention a few of the roads. We have been around most of the streets, that's Town roads, not County roads. The guys have been sweeping streets. Whenever we have rainy days, they are out sweeping with both machines. It is not as dusty when it is raining. The next few weeks or next month we will be cleaning up plow damage and cleaning out ditches. We will have ditch dirt if anyone is looking for fill.

Councilwoman Selby reported on the following:

We have an urgent need for a Board of Assessment Review member. I don't know if the Supervisor is going to speak about this, but I would do a shout out. We lost a very competent person, and our Assessor is recommending now that it be a paid position. If you know of any assessors or anyone with real estate background, it is a very rewarding experience and getting yourself involved with the Town, that would be helpful as well. If you have any questions, please reach out to our Town Assessor Thelma. She will be more than happy to talk about that.

Councilman Cartechine reported on the following:

Nothing to report tonight.

Councilwoman Lucachik reported on the following:

The Comprehensive Plan is holding a public meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Community Room. The meeting is to provide the public with the progress that the steering committee has made, what



the vision is, what lessons they have learned from all the surveys that we received from businesses, residents, including the kids in our Town. What are the visions and goals to provide the public with, where we're at and where we're going. I would highly recommend coming. It will be a very informative piece of information that you can take home and look forward to learning more about so we can move the Comprehensive Plan further. It helps us a lot with the guidance with our contractors coming into the Town, with any of our residents and where do we want to put things and how do we want to move things around within the Town, how do we do that moving forward. They teach us that, so it is a long process. This is the start of it, the second public meeting, we would love your input.

Councilwoman Martin reported on the following:

There will be a Zoning Board meeting tomorrow here in the court room at 7:15 pm. I would like to thank the residents of Feddick Road for keeping us aware of what is going on up there. So, it is good to know that residents still care and don't assume that as Board members up here that we know what is going on in Town and are just letting stuff go through. That's not true. We care about our residents in our Town, and we want to make sure that longevity with the Comprehensive Plan that Boston is still a wonderful place to live for our children and our children's children.

Town Clerk Quinlan reported on the following:

Yesterday's blood drive in the community room, our community stepped up again, 28 units collected, helped save the lives of 83 local patients. Next ConnectLife blood drive will be first Tuesday in April. Board of Assessment Review members do need to be Town of Boston residents, a minimum of three members, a one-day training in April, and Grievance Day is the fourth Tuesday in May. Public Notice, County of Erie, Town of Boston Tax 2024, Notice Is Hereby Given that the Tax Roll and Warrant for the County of Erie and the Town of Boston for the year 2024 has been received and all persons and corporations named herein are required to pay the taxes on said rolls. I will maintain office hours to receive tax payments at the Boston Town Hall, 8500 Boston State Road, Boston, New York 14025. On all taxes paid on or before March 15, 2024. General Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm. Extended Hours: Thursday 3/14, 9 am - 6 pm, Friday 3/15, 9 am - 6 pm. DROP BOX, to the left of the front door at the Boston Town Hall, 8500 Boston State Road, is for your convenience. After March 15, 2024 the U.S. postmark is considered the payment date when paying by mail. IF PAID ON OR AFTER March 16, 2024 - April 30, 2024 will include a 7.5% penalty. On May 1, 2024, the 7.5% penalty fee is added to the unpaid levy, forming the new base tax then due. Thereafter, interest is added to the



base at the rate of 1.5% per month, on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month, making 18.78% in all, when unpaid taxes are sold in November 2024. Taxes unpaid by the close of business on June 30, 2024 will be returned to Erie County Commissioner of Finance, 95 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York 14202.

PARTIAL PAYMENT OF TAXES IS AVAILABLE. If you have any questions please call 941-6113 ext 5. Tax information may be obtained from our website, [www.townofboston.com](http://www.townofboston.com).

Supervisor Keding reported on the following:

Board of Assessment Review, we would like to keep somebody from our community on that board. It is a three-person board with a minimum of two people. If we do not have two people, whether we like it or not that law requires that we work within Erie County and Erie County would bring somebody in. It doesn't mean that the person would be a Boston resident but a person within the County. It was a non-paid position, we had a conversation with our Assessor, the Assessor did make a recommendation. \$25.00 per training day and \$150.00 for Grievance Day. If anyone has questions, please reach out to the Towns Clerk's office, and submit letter of interest for the Town Board.

The Comprehensive Plan is one of the big things going on right now. The public meeting, we would love to see as many people as possible that we can get there. There is a lot of work that went in from the committee and outreach to all of the local schools, Springville, Hamburg, Orchard Park. We are asking the students if you live in community are you planning on staying in Boston? If you're not, why? If yes, why?

There was a post on social media about revitalizing our playground behind the Town hall. Senator Gallivan's office provided the Town money to put in new playground equipment in South Boston Park. We have just put in a new open-air pavilion in North Boston Park and now looking to resurface the tennis courts. The proposal out there is for an accessible playground, it is very expensive. I did reach out to the Commissioner for Erie County Parks. If anyone has been up to Erie County Parks and seen their accessible parks, they start out at \$370,000. Not saying we can't do it. We do have a playground reserve account; we can slowly put money away and build that into the Comprehensive Plan. There are opportunities, that's the whole purpose of this. To take feedback from the public, have conversations, identify what the public wants and put in that long term plan so it's a document. Someday when the five of us are not here, you as taxpaying citizens can say to the Board, the Planning Board, Conservation Advisory Council, and all the people that put their time and effort into that can pull it off the shelves and see the road map looking ahead.

The resident is not here, but can look back at the Board minutes to see that we did not forget about them. I want to thank the Board publicly for allowing me to attend the Association of Towns training. The Code

Enforcement officer also attended. There are a lot of changes coming out of Albany.

I want to bring attention to the utility trucks up and down Boston State Road adjusting the utility lines. That is part of Erie Net. Its own buildout of 400 miles of dark fiber optic cable. This is not Spectrum. This will be dark fiber that will connect all our Town hall buildings, libraries, fire companies, and the Emergency Squad. It is a secure network that offers an opportunity to connect residents as well. If you have any questions, I would be happy to talk to you about it or visit ErieNet.com. I've seen on the Colden Facebook page that there have been some outages with Spectrum. It's probably because the utility trucks are moving the lines up and down. If you have questions call my office or stop me at the end of the meeting.

A motion was made by Supervisor Keding and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes

Carried

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SANDRA L. QUINLAN, BOSTON TOWN CLERK



REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2024

**DRAFT**

TOWN HALL  
7:30 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Jason Keding, Councilman Michael Cartechine, Councilwoman Jennifer Lucachik, Councilwoman Kelly Martin, and Councilwoman Kathleen Selby.

Also Present: Highway Superintendent Telaak and Attorney for the Town Costello.

Supervisor Keding stated there are no Preliminary matters.

Regular business:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Lucachik and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin upon review by the Town Board, that fund bills in the amount of \$467,320.76 be paid.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

Supervisor Keding stated the following has been received and filed under correspondence:

- Town Clerk's Report for February 2024
- Dog Control Officer Report for February 2024
- Income Statements - Preliminary December 2023 / January 2024 / February 2024
- Cash Balances - All of 2023
- January - February 2024 Cash Balances
- Draft minutes from NEST March 2024 meeting
- CPL Meeting Minutes #1 - Town Hall Entry Improvements
- CPL Meeting Minutes #1 - Generator Install
- Letter from NYS Unified Court System, Internal Audit
- Use of Meeting Facility- Southtowns Homeschoolers

New business:

Supervisor Keding stated the floor is open for public comment.

There were no comments from the public.

Supervisor Keding stated the floor is closed.



A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to approve the 2023 Service Award points for Boston Fire Company, Patchin Fire Company, North Boston Fire Company, and Boston Emergency Squad.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine,

**RESOLUTION 2024-23** **AUTHORIZING 2024 EARLY VOTING POLL LOCATION LEASE AGREEMENT**

The Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign a lease agreement with the Erie County Board of Elections for Boston Town Hall to serve as an early voting location in exchange for a payment totaling \$900 per election.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin and was seconded by Supervisor Keding,

**RESOLUTION 2024-24** **STIPEND FOR BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW**

WHEREAS, the Town of Boston requires three members for its Board of Assessment Review (“BAR”), but has found recruitment and retention of qualified members to be challenging, in part because BAR members must attend training and grievance day(s) that occur during normal business hours; and all volunteer members of Town Advisory Boards sacrifice precious time and talent, but most required meetings and trainings for the other Boards can be attended outside of normal business hours, and therefore members of other Town Advisory Boards generally are not required to take paid or unpaid leave from their jobs to participate; and it has become critical to recruit and train volunteers to serve on the BAR in advance of the next grievance day, and the Town Board believes offering a stipend to offset expenses or losses incurred while serving on the BAR may be an incentive to service;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Boston does hereby adopt the following policies and procedures relating to the Board of Assessment Review (BAR) also known as Assessment Board of Review:

Stipend Amounts - Members may receive stipends for their service as follows:

- Training Sessions: Members are eligible for a stipend of \$25 per training session attended. Training sessions are held by the County using materials



provided by New York State which are aimed at detailing pertinent information to the role of a Board of Assessment Review member as well as detailed information on the Grievance Day process and requirements.

- Grievance Day: Members are eligible for a stipend of \$150/day for their participation on grievance day. Grievance day refers to the specific day or days set aside for property owners to challenge their property assessments before the Assessment Board of Review.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Councilman Cartechine and was seconded by Councilwoman Selby,

**RESOLUTION 2024-25** **AMENDING 2023 BUDGET TO PROPERLY ACCOUNT FOR BRUSH OVERAGE**

WHEREAS, the Town Board received a voucher for brush collection dated December 2023 with a total due from the general fund to highway fund in the amount of \$78,126.96 which generates a \$13,126.96 budget overrun, equivalent to 20.19% over budget; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board ratifies the brush payment overage in the amount of \$13,126.96 relating to 2023 brush and leaf collection; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Boston 2023 Budget hereby is amended effective immediately:

- 1) Increase Appropriations:  
Account No. A00-8989-0400 Other Home/Comm Svc (Brush) \$13,130
- 2) Increase Revenues:  
Account No. A00-1120-0000 Non-Property Tax (Sales Tax) \$13,130

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Keding and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine to table,

**RESOLUTION 2024-26** **ADOPTION OF VEHICLE USAGE POLICY**

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

A motion was made by Supervisor Keding and was seconded by Councilwoman Lucachik to table scheduling the public hearing for fill permit application from Matt Kolodziejczak for 7008 Omphalius Road and table scheduling the public hearing for fill permit application for 7631 Zimmerman Road. Supervisor Keding stated that the applications were not filled out in their entirety, completed applications are needed to schedule these public hearings.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

Old business:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Selby and was seconded by Councilwoman Martin to approve the 284 Agreement to Spend Highway Funds as drafted.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

Reports and Presentations:

Highway Superintendent Telaak reported on the following:

Brush pick up starts week of April 1<sup>st</sup>, it will go on the whole month. Sometimes it takes a whole month to get around to every street in Town. We will do it again in May, every street will be done each month. We will have a lot of wood chips available. If anyone wants wood chips, fill out a sheet, and we will deliver them. Piles of leaves are coming out on different streets. Springtime you must bag the leaves for us to pick them up. Paper bags are preferred because those decompose in the compost pile. The plastic bags must be cut open, and you have a mess. Street sweeping on the town roads was going on until we got this last batch of snow. Most of the roads were swept. Now we are using pure salt, we're not using any sand, so we won't have to resweep the streets. Last week we had quite a bit of plowing. We are going to be out doing some more plow damage cleanup.

Councilwoman Selby reported on the following:

Nothing to report tonight.

Councilman Cartechine reported on the following:

I would like to take a moment and recognize a member of our community, Bill Frascella, the Boston Patriots Football Commissioner, for



working with the County to secure an additional AED to provide to the Boston Youth Soccer League. This is a fine example of two separate youth sporting leagues working together for the benefit of our kids. There was a question on how the Boston Youth Soccer League was going to pay for the AED. Bill took it upon himself to work with the County to get an additional AED to meet that requirement that the State has given us. I wanted to recognize Bill for a really good job.

Thanked the North Boston Fire Company, Patchin Fire Company, Boston Fire Company, the Emergency Squad, for all their time to review, compile, and submit the LOSAP Points for 2023. I know what goes into that and it is greatly appreciated. You all do so much in the community.

Councilwoman Lucachik reported on the following:

The Planning Board meeting for April has been cancelled. Thanked those who have been participating in the Comprehensive Plan and the Steering Committee folks. Thank you very much for what is coming. Just to remind everyone that there is a public meeting for the Comprehensive Plan on April 10<sup>th</sup>, on what the vision is and where we are going. We will need your eyes and ears as we go full throttle. It is very exciting.

Councilwoman Martin reported on the following:

Nothing to report tonight.

Town Clerk Quinlan reported on the following:

Town and County taxes were due March 15<sup>th</sup>, so we are in the penalty phase, March 16 - April 30, 2024 will include a 7.5% penalty. I will be collecting Town and County taxes through June 30, 2024. Early voting will be held here at the Town hall from Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> through Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup>, no voting on Easter Sunday and Monday April 1<sup>st</sup>. Election Day is April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on the Town park grounds, Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm, activities in the community room after the Easter Egg Hunt. Next ConnectLife Blood Drive, Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Courtroom from 2 to 7 pm.

Supervisor Keding reported on the following:

Wanted the public to know and put it on record, that one of our Town's largest community events is the Easter Egg Hunt, that takes place during one of the early voting days. The Board of Elections will be moving the voting machines from downstairs to upstairs Courtroom. The Board of Elections was completely okay with that because Town Hall technically is designated as the polling location. So just moving from downstairs to upstairs there are no conflicts. The Board of Elections has been very supportive, and I thank the Town Clerk and her staff for helping with this matter.



Just wanted to put on record the Town did receive an email from residents down on Deanna Drive. There were multiple concerns from residents. I am surprised that nobody is here tonight. They did say that they were going to try to make it out tonight, maybe it is because of the inclement weather. Carmina Wood is the developer for that project. They met yesterday in the afternoon, on site, and they are going to address each of the items that are in this email as far as the residents' concerns. The Town will have a response back to the residents that sent us the email.

There are Erie County Agricultural Farmland Protection Plan public forums. This will be posted upstairs and downstairs on the message boards. Erie County Environment Planning is working on these Agricultural Farmland Protection Plans. There are five different meeting locations and times. If you are interested, please take a look, it will be going out to the Town's social media and the Town's website.

Solar Eclipse glasses, there has been a big ask for those. The Town did receive a small allotment from Legislator Mills Office. They have been distributed to our senior groups and the congregate dining program. If there are any glasses left, they will be made available in the Town Clerk's Office. We did have a discussion downstairs regarding the Town Hall being open on April 8<sup>th</sup>. I know some municipalities are either closing at Noon or are closed the day of the Solar Eclipse. We made the decision that the Town Hall will be open that day.

The Comprehensive Plan public meeting, that is a big one for our community. We had a great response from our schools, our farming community, and our small business community. I encourage people to show up at the meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. We will be downstairs in the community room. We are hoping for a good turnout, there has been a lot of effort and time put into this Plan. It has been posted to social media with all the details. Please come, we value the input and feedback, after all it is our community.

The April 3<sup>rd</sup> Town Board meeting is going to be cancelled, due to lack of agenda items. It also falls at Spring Break, some of us are going to be on the road. We will be reconvening for the Board meeting on April 17<sup>th</sup>.

Erie County partnered with NEST which is the Northeast Southtowns Waste Management board to do a composter sale. It was put out on the Town's social media. There were 1,300 composters that were made available for sale. They are about \$50.00 to \$60.00 purchase. The NEST Board decided to subsidize half of that cost. So, residents who are interested in composters, they are available, there are a couple of hundred left. If you are interested in one go ahead and get one. If there is not enough there is always next year. There is early discussion already that they will probably subsidize again next year. There are a lot of people who are starting to compost.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2024

**DRAFT**

TOWN HALL  
7:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Supervisor Keding and was seconded by Councilman Cartechine to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

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| Supervisor Keding     | Yes | Councilman Cartechine | Yes |
| Councilwoman Lucachik | Yes | Councilwoman Martin   | Yes |
| Councilwoman Selby    | Yes |                       |     |

five (5) Yes Carried

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SANDRA L. QUINLAN, BOSTON TOWN CLERK





# TOWN OF BOSTON

**Town Board Meeting: April 17, 2024**

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| <b>Abstract #1 – 2024 Payables</b> | Journal #AP-4367 | \$ 170,785.95        |
| Credit – DB Fund                   | WNY Auto         | - 67.19              |
| Credit – A Fund                    | Cintas           | - \$ 12.54           |
|                                    |                  | <b>\$ 170,706.22</b> |

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| <b>Abstract #2 – Contract Payments</b> | Journal #AP-4364 | \$75,000.00 |
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**Total Payables Due**

**\$ 245,706.22**

**Breakout by Fund:**

|                             |               |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| General (A) Fund:           | \$ 127,835.84 |
| Highway (DB) Fund:          | \$ 20,348.40  |
| Lighting (L30) Fund:        | \$ 1,566.66   |
| Fire (SF) Fund:             | \$ 7,350.00   |
| Ambulance (SM) Fund:        | \$ 1,519.87   |
| Refuse & Garbage (SG) Fund: | \$ 73,282.45  |
| Water Funds:                | \$ -          |
| Trust & Agency (TA):        | \$ -          |
| Capital Projects (H):       | \$ 13,803.00  |

**Total expenses submitted for approval: \$ 245,706.22**

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| A00-0600-0000-0000        | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE       | Fund A00 AP Account  | 4/17/2024 | Fund A00 AP Account     | \$0.00                  | \$52,835.84              | \$0.00  | 142   |
| A00-0690-0000-0000        | CLEARING ACCT-JUSTICE  | OFFICE OF STATE COMPTROLLER 1430830-2024-02-01 February 2024 - Justice Court Funds to State/Country                                | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 178            | \$5,919.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 18    |
| A00-1110-4000-0000        | TOWN JUSTICE-CONTR     | Amazon Capital Services 1KGV-XRD9-CLP4 Code - Message Book, Staples, Legal File Envelopes (Split w/ Court), Post Its, Power Strip  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$166.20                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 92    |
| A00-1220-0400-0000        | SUPERVISOR- CONTR      | Amazon Capital Services 1F16-LF99-TYPK Supervisor/Bookkeeper - Rubber Bands, Pencils, Hanging Folders, Black Pens                  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$57.69                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 16    |
| A00-1220-0400-0000        | SUPERVISOR- CONTR      | Jason Keding 3/28/24 Association of Erie County Gov't Meeting - 3/28/24  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1568           | \$40.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 53    |
| A00-1220-0400-0000        | SUPERVISOR- CONTR      | Amazon Capital Services 1PRW-XJLV-4WFX IT - POE Switch / Supervisor - Sharpies   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$9.98                  | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 62    |
| A00-1320-0402-0000        | SPECIAL AUDITS         | Drescher & Malecki LLP 2403064 Accounting Services 1/1/24 - 2/29/24 (1.5 hr JE & Bank Rec Review / 2.5 hr Audit of AUD Procedures) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1747           | \$312.50                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 60    |
| A00-1321-0400-0000        | ACCOUNTANT-CONTRACTUAL | Drescher & Malecki LLP 2403064 Accounting Services 1/1/24 - 2/29/24 (1.5 hr JE & Bank Rec Review / 2.5 hr Audit of AUD Procedures) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1747           | \$187.50                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 59    |
| A00-1355-0401-0000        | ASSESSOR- CONTR        | Amazon Capital Services 114M-WCX6-FK13 Assessor - File Folders, Sharpies   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$42.59                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 20    |
| A00-1355-0401-0000        | ASSESSOR- CONTR        | Amazon Capital Services 1JLV-16FJ-9GXP Assessor - Chair Mat, Mechanical Pencils  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$52.86                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 21    |
| A00-1410-0401-0000        | TOWN CLERK- CONTR      | SCHWAAB, INC. 4478619 Town Clerk - ExcelMark Stamp with Dry Pad  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 67             | \$47.50                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 51    |
| A00-1420-0401-0000        | ATTORNEY- CONTR        | Rupp Pfalzgraf LLC 365416 March 2024 - Attorney for the Town Retainer Agreement  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1783           | \$2,250.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 54    |
| A00-1420-0401-0000        | ATTORNEY- CONTR        | Rupp Pfalzgraf LLC 365415 February 2024 - Attorney for the Town Retainer Agreement   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1783           | \$2,250.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 55    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR       | SHANOR ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC. 3054972 Buildings - Procell AA Batteries  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 29             | \$15.14                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 42    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR       | Certified Pest Solutions 39892 (1732) April 2024 Pest Control Service - Town Hall  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1811           | \$55.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 57    |



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| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Charter Communications<br>142054301031424 Acct.<br>#142054301 - Elevator Phone<br>(3/15/24 - 4/14/24)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1242        | \$39.99                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 63    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Cintas 4187454541 Town Hall -<br>(12) Town Hall Mats, Cleaning<br>Supplies, & Toilet Paper   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1758        | \$182.52                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 68    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Cintas 4187454541 Town Hall -<br>(12) Town Hall Mats, Cleaning<br>Supplies, & Toilet Paper   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1758        | \$19.07                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 69    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Cintas 4187454541 Town Hall -<br>(12) Town Hall Mats, Cleaning<br>Supplies, & Toilet Paper   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1758        | \$42.17                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 70    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Cintas 4186741002 Town Hall -<br>(3) Mats  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1758        | \$50.52                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 72    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Amazon Capital Services 1CCX-<br>TQF7-TJ6V Buildings - Trash Bin<br>for Upstairs Fountain  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2003        | \$40.29                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 73    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | MONROE EXTINGUISHER CO.<br>I173409 Semi-Annual System<br>Inspection, fusible link, blow off<br>caps, & line test - Snack Shack &<br>Community Room Kitchen | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 115            | \$892.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 22    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | ERIE COUNTY WATER<br>AUTHORITY 2024 - Acct.<br>#60612237-7 Acct. #60612237-7 -<br>Town Hall Fire Hydrant & Permit  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 96             | \$688.30                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 17    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | John W. Danforth Company<br>SRVCE00054119 Service Call -<br>Issue with high limit switch on<br>Town Hall Boiler  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1897        | \$241.50                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 19    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Charter Communications<br>1417597010032124 Acct.<br>#141759701 - Town Hall -<br>Fax/Internet/Alarms (3/29/24 -<br>4/28/24)                                 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1242        | \$489.95                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 7     |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | VERIZON WIRELESS<br>9960539255 Cell Phones for<br>Town - March 2024  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 53             | \$31.22                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 88    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | NATIONAL FUEL 04/2024 - Acct.<br>#3237465 08 Acct. #3237465 08 -<br>Town Hall - April 2024 (569 CCF)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 726            | \$510.21                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 85    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Cintas 4187454527 Town Hall -<br>Floor Cleaner, Wet Mop, Air<br>Freshener, Soap, Urinal Mats   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1758        | \$242.54                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 65    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | Visa 2622 - March 2024 Mar.<br>2024 Visa Bill - Floor wax,<br>Microfiber Towels, Business Cards  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1863        | \$87.96                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 97    |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR    | RUCKER LUMBER INC. BLDG<br>Acct. - Mar. 2024 BLDG Acct.<br>#1475 - Invoice #'s 182631,<br>182688, 182714   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$17.28                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 104   |

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| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR                  | RUCKER LUMBER INC. BLDG Acct. - Mar. 2024 BLDG Acct. #1475 - Invoice #'s 182631, 182688, 182714                   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$11.99                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 105   |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR                  | RUCKER LUMBER INC. BLDG Acct. - Mar. 2024 BLDG Acct. #1475 - Invoice #'s 182631, 182688, 182714                   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$8.48                  | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 106   |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR                  | Cintas 4183131489 Town Hall/Highway - (12) Town Hall Mats, (6) Highway Mats                                       | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$176.85                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 140   |
| A00-1620-0400-0000        | BUILDINGS- CONTR                  | NYSEG 4/24 - Acct. #1001-0312-469 Acct. #1001-0312-469 - Town Hall (8880 kwh)                                     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 37             | \$1,540.74              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 133   |
| A00-1620-0402-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR-REC CENTER        | NATIONAL FUEL 04/2024 - Acct. #6897553 08 Acct. #6897553 08 - Boys & Girls Club - April 2024 (175 CCF)            | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 726            | \$168.84                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 84    |
| A00-1620-0403-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR- HIGHWAY          | HAMBURG OVERHEAD DOOR, INC. 518751 Highway Garage - Door Repair   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 20             | \$99.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 13    |
| A00-1620-0403-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR- HIGHWAY          | Certified Pest Solutions 39895 (1731) April 2024 Pest Control Service - Highway Department                        | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1811           | \$55.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 58    |
| A00-1620-0404-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR- TROOPER BARRACKS | Cintas 4187454545 Trooper Barracks - (16) Mats  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$123.42                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 71    |
| A00-1620-0404-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR- TROOPER BARRACKS | Certified Pest Solutions 39893 (1730) April 2024 Pest Control Service - Trooper Barracks                          | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1811           | \$55.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 56    |
| A00-1620-0404-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR- TROOPER BARRACKS | John W. Danforth Company SRVCE00054228 Service Call - Replace igniter & control module on Trooper Barracks boiler | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1897           | \$1,057.99              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 52    |
| A00-1620-0404-0000        | BUILDING- CONTR- TROOPER BARRACKS | Cintas 4173086259-Refund Trooper Barracks - Reduction in invoice cost resulting in refund on mats                 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$0.00                  | \$12.54                  | \$0.00  | 128   |
| A00-1650-0400-0000        | CENT COMMUNICATIONS- CONTR        | wynetWorks 00005257 March 2024 - IT Systems Support (5.5 hrs)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1703           | \$687.50                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 74    |
| A00-1650-0400-0000        | CENT COMMUNICATIONS- CONTR        | Amazon Capital Services 1PRW-XJLV-4WFX IT - POE Switch / Supervisor - Sharpies                                    | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$39.99                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 61    |
| A00-1650-0400-0000        | CENT COMMUNICATIONS- CONTR        | Vaspian, LLC INV-014392 April 2024 Billing - VOIP Phone System (20 Extensions)                                    | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1947           | \$408.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 14    |
| A00-1650-0400-0000        | CENT COMMUNICATIONS- CONTR        | Amazon Capital Services 16W3-LCLG-JK6K IT - Battery Backup, USB to USB Cables                                     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003           | \$77.59                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 15    |
| A00-1650-0400-0000        | CENT COMMUNICATIONS- CONTR        | Kiercom Communications Inc. 4403 Repair of Snack Shack Cameras  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1893           | \$210.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 1     |



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| A00-1650-0400-0000 | CENT COMMUNICATIONS-CONTR  | THE PUMP DOCTOR 19529<br>Blackfish Software  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 198  | \$25.00    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 25    |
| A00-1670-0403-0000 | CENT PRINT/MAIL- CONTR     | GreatAmerica Financial Svcs.<br>36165426 Agreement #018-<br>1753664-000 - Lease for Kyocera<br>TASKalfa 4054ci Copier                          | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2039 | \$163.99   | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 4     |
| A00-1670-0403-0000 | CENT PRINT/MAIL- CONTR     | Quadient Finance USA, Inc.<br>3/24/24 Acct. #7900 0440 8021<br>9839 - Postage Balance, Late<br>Charge  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1943 | \$1,000.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 8     |
| A00-1670-0403-0000 | CENT PRINT/MAIL- CONTR     | WNY IMAGING SYSTEMS<br>314101 Kyocera/TASKalfa 4054ci<br>(Mail Room) Printing Costs<br>(1/13/24 - 4/12/24)                                     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1239 | \$188.74   | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 113   |
| A00-1930-0000-0000 | JUDGEMENT AND CLAIMS       | Quadient Finance USA, Inc.<br>3/24/24 Acct. #7900 0440 8021<br>9839 - Postage Balance, Late<br>Charge  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1943 | \$39.00    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 9     |
| A00-1989-0400-0000 | OTHER GENERAL GOVT SUPPORT | Rotella Grant Management<br>04012024 April 2024 - Grant<br>Writing Services  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2056 | \$1,800.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 64    |
| A00-3310-0400-0000 | TRAFFIC CONTROL-CONTR      | RICHARD-CIN SIGNS &<br>SUPPLIES 3544 10 Road Signs<br>(Speed Limit 35)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 91   | \$575.00   | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 31    |
| A00-3510-0400-0000 | DOG CONTROL- CONTR         | VERIZON WIRELESS<br>9960539255 Cell Phones for<br>Town - March 2024  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 53   | \$31.22    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 87    |
| A00-3510-0400-0000 | DOG CONTROL- CONTR         | BOSTON HIGHWAY DEPT.<br>March 2024 - DCO March 2024 -<br>DCO Gas (10 gallons)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 90   | \$26.50    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 78    |
| A00-3620-0400-0000 | SAFETY INSPECT- CONTR      | VERIZON WIRELESS<br>9960539255 Cell Phones for<br>Town - March 2024  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 53   | \$31.22    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 86    |
| A00-3620-0400-0000 | SAFETY INSPECT- CONTR      | Visa 2622 - March 2024 Mar.<br>2024 Visa Bill - Floor wax,<br>Microfiber Towels, Business Cards  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1863 | \$70.98    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 98    |
| A00-3620-0400-0000 | SAFETY INSPECT- CONTR      | Amazon Capital Services 1KGV-<br>XRD9-CLP4 Code - Message<br>Book, Staples, Legal File<br>Envelopes (Split w/ Court), Post<br>Its, Power Strip | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003 | \$259.28   | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 91    |
| A00-5010-0400-0000 | HIGHWAY SUPT-CONTR         | VERIZON WIRELESS<br>9960539255 Cell Phones for<br>Town - March 2024  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 53   | \$31.22    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 89    |
| A00-5010-0400-0000 | HIGHWAY SUPT-CONTR         | Ed Browne 2023 & 2024 Boot<br>2023 & 2024 Boot Allowance   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1970 | \$334.97   | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 38    |
| A00-5132-0400-0000 | GARAGE-CONTR               | Amazon Capital Services 1QQP-<br>DTCM-4H7T HWY Garage - Air<br>Hose Reel, Grip Gloves, Wall<br>Mount Hose Reel                                 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2003 | \$173.96   | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 32    |
| A00-5132-0400-0000 | GARAGE-CONTR               | Cintas 4187670404 Highway -<br>Uniforms  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758 | \$65.05    | \$0.00 | \$0.00  | 28    |

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| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Cintas 4186977215 Highway - Uniforms   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$65.05    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 29                       |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Charter Communications 144899501032124 Acct. #144899501 - HWY - Fax/Alarm/Cable (3/29/24 - 4/28/24)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1242           | \$96.91    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 6                        |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | NYSEG 3/24 - Acct. #1001-0312-477 Acct. #1001-0312-477 - Highway Barn (3180 kwh)                     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 37             | \$492.17   | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 50                       |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Cintas 4188413048 Highway - Uniforms   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$65.05    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 37                       |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Cintas 4187454573 Highway - (7) Mats, (660) Shop Towels  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$93.99    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 66                       |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Cintas 4187454573 Highway - (7) Mats, (660) Shop Towels  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$106.20   | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 67                       |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | NATIONAL FUEL 04/2024 - Acct. #3237464 10 Acct. #3237464 10 - Highway Garage - April 2024 (1069 CCF) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 726            | \$919.91   | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 83                       |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Cintas 4189133107 Highway - Uniforms   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$65.05    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 127                      |  |
| A00-5132-0400-0000        | GARAGE-CONTR             | Cintas 4183131489 Town Hall/Highway - (12) Town Hall Mats, (6) Highway Mats                          | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1758           | \$86.53    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 141                      |  |
| A00-5182-0400-0000        | STREET LIGHTING-CONTR    | NYSEG 3/24 - Acct. #1005-2715-660 Acct. #1005-2715-660 - 219 Lights (240 kwh)                        | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 37             | \$60.86    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 43                       |  |
| A00-5182-0400-0000        | STREET LIGHTING-CONTR    | NYSEG 3/24 - Acct. #1001-3627-426 Acct. #1001-3627-426 - St. Light Entire R2 (1271 kwh)              | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 37             | \$391.25   | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 48                       |  |
| A00-5182-0400-0000        | STREET LIGHTING-CONTR    | NYSEG 3/24 - Acct. #1001-3627-434 Acct. #1001-3627-434 - St. Light, Entire R3 (3048 kwh)             | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 37             | \$2,123.24 | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 49                       |  |
| A00-6772-0400-0000        | PROGRAMS FOR AGING-CONTR | McCullagh Coffee 108568 Coffee for Nutrition Program   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1768           | \$93.90    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 5                        |  |
| A00-7110-0400-0000        | PARKS- CONTR             | NYSEG 3/24 - Acct. #1009-1678-366 Acct. #1009-1678-366 - N. Boston Park (334 kwh)                    | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 37             | \$80.59    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 47                       |  |
| A00-7110-0400-0000        | PARKS- CONTR             | RUCKER LUMBER INC. Parks Acct. - Mar 2024 Parks Acct. #1480 - Invoice #'s 182447, 182499, 182677     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$7.25     | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 124                      |  |
| A00-7110-0400-0000        | PARKS- CONTR             | RUCKER LUMBER INC. Parks Acct. - Mar 2024 Parks Acct. #1480 - Invoice #'s 182447, 182499, 182677     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$11.99    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 125                      |  |
| A00-7110-0400-0000        | PARKS- CONTR             | RUCKER LUMBER INC. Parks Acct. - Mar 2024 Parks Acct. #1480 - Invoice #'s 182447, 182499, 182677     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$19.89    | \$0.00                  | \$0.00 | 126                      |  |



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| A00-7110-0400-0000        | PARKS- CONTR                      | BOSTON HIGHWAY DEPT.<br>March 2024 - Parks March 2024 -<br>Parks Gas (28.2 gallons)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 90             | \$74.73                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 77    |
| A00-7620-0400-0000        | ADULT REC- BOSTON SRS.            | BOSTON SENIORS CLUB 2/2024<br>- 3/2024 February & March 2024<br>Reimbursements   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 595            | \$74.94                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 115   |
| A00-7620-0400-0000        | ADULT REC- BOSTON SRS.            | BOSTON SENIORS CLUB 2/2024<br>- 3/2024 February & March 2024<br>Reimbursements   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 595            | \$3.99                  | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 116   |
| A00-7620-0400-0000        | ADULT REC- BOSTON SRS.            | BOSTON SENIORS CLUB 2/2024<br>- 3/2024 February & March 2024<br>Reimbursements   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 595            | \$38.92                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 117   |
| A00-7620-0400-0000        | ADULT REC- BOSTON SRS.            | BOSTON SENIORS CLUB 2/2024<br>- 3/2024 February & March 2024<br>Reimbursements   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 595            | \$61.95                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 118   |
| A00-7620-0400-0000        | ADULT REC- BOSTON SRS.            | BEDORE TOURS 5/14/24 Trip<br>Boston Seniors - Trip to North<br>Tonawanda Attractions (5/14/24)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1383           | \$1,095.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 36    |
| A00-7620-0402-0000        | ADULT REC- BOS YOUNG @<br>HEART   | BEDORE TOURS 38010 Boston<br>Young at Heart - Trip to Tara<br>Country Inn & Presque Isle Casino<br>(6/11/24)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1383           | \$3,200.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 80    |
| A00-7620-0402-0000        | ADULT REC- BOS YOUNG @<br>HEART   | BEDORE TOURS 37996 Boston<br>Young at Heart - Trip to Riviera<br>Theatre (4/28/24)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1383           | \$1,350.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 81    |
| A00-8010-0400-0000        | ZONING-CONTR                      | SARAH DESJARDINS Jan -<br>March 2024 Jan.- Mar. 2024 -<br>Planning Board Assistance (22.5<br>hours & 1 Meeting) & Zoning<br>Board Assistance (3 hr.) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1560           | \$240.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 111   |
| A00-8020-0400-0000        | PLANNING- CONTR                   | SARAH DESJARDINS Jan -<br>March 2024 Jan.- Mar. 2024 -<br>Planning Board Assistance (22.5<br>hours & 1 Meeting) & Zoning<br>Board Assistance (3 hr.) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1560           | \$1,950.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 112   |
| A00-9050-0800-0000        | UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE            | NYS UNEMPLOYMENT<br>INSURANCE 2024 Q1 Employer<br>Reg No. 04-60383 6 - For Q1 2024<br>- Unemployment Benefit<br>Reimbursement                        | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 213            | \$10,184.05             | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 114   |
| A00-9060-0800-0000        | HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL<br>INSURANCE | Lifetime Benefits Solutions, Inc.<br>A054035-IN HRA Admin Fee -<br>March 2024  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 2054           | \$56.57                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 95    |
| A00-9060-0800-0000        | HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL<br>INSURANCE | Aflac 389345 Employee Funded<br>Supplemental Health Ins. - March<br>2024   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1887           | \$473.58                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 93    |
| A00-9060-0800-0000        | HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL<br>INSURANCE | Highmark BCBSWNY<br>240320161897 Health Insurance<br>Premiums - April 2024   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 1378           | \$4,746.82              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 3     |
| DB0-0600-0000-0000        | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE                  | Fund DB0 AP Account  | 4/17/2024 | Fund DB0 AP<br>Account  | \$0.00                  | \$20,348.40              | \$0.00 | 143   |
| DB0-5110-0410-0000        | GEN REPAIRS-FUEL & DIESEL         | KURK FUEL COMPANY 651481<br>Diesel Fuel - 1551 Gallons<br>(\$3.0810 per gallon)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 17             | \$4,778.63              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00 | 131   |

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| DB0-5110-0410-0000        | GEN REPAIRS-FUEL & DIESEL | CERTIFIED LABORATORIES<br>8609546 Premalube Red   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1229        | \$316.40                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 26    |
| DB0-5110-0410-0000        | GEN REPAIRS-FUEL & DIESEL | KURK FUEL COMPANY 651410<br>2000 Gallons of Gas (\$2.5602 per<br>gallon)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 17             | \$5,120.40              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 27    |
| DB0-5110-0410-0000        | GEN REPAIRS-FUEL & DIESEL | THE PUMP DOCTOR 19358<br>Annual Cathodic Test / ATG &<br>Sensor Functionality Inspection &<br>Overfill Alarm Inspection       | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 198            | \$550.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 39    |
| DB0-5110-0420-0000        | GEN REPAIRS- DRAINAGE     | VCNA United Materials, LLC<br>891345258 Concrete Barrier  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2087        | \$810.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 90    |
| DB0-5110-0420-0000        | GEN REPAIRS- DRAINAGE     | VCNA United Materials, LLC<br>891345261 Concrete Barrier  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2087        | \$540.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 79    |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | WNY Auto Supply Mar. 2024<br>Stmnt. - HWY Highway Dept. Acct.<br>#140 - Invoice #'s 213859, 214419,<br>214439, 214559, 214734 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2078        | \$50.92                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 119   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | WNY Auto Supply Mar. 2024<br>Stmnt. - HWY Highway Dept. Acct.<br>#140 - Invoice #'s 213859, 214419,<br>214439, 214559, 214734 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2078        | \$58.80                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 120   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | WNY Auto Supply Mar. 2024<br>Stmnt. - HWY Highway Dept. Acct.<br>#140 - Invoice #'s 213859, 214419,<br>214439, 214559, 214734 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2078        | \$0.00                  | \$67.19                  | \$0.00  | 121   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | WNY Auto Supply Mar. 2024<br>Stmnt. - HWY Highway Dept. Acct.<br>#140 - Invoice #'s 213859, 214419,<br>214439, 214559, 214734 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2078        | \$54.80                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 122   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | WNY Auto Supply Mar. 2024<br>Stmnt. - HWY Highway Dept. Acct.<br>#140 - Invoice #'s 213859, 214419,<br>214439, 214559, 214734 | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>2078        | \$34.16                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 123   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | VALLEY FAB & EQUIP, INC.<br>136267 Steel Material<br>Shear/Formed   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 134            | \$36.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 99    |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | VALLEY FAB & EQUIP, INC.<br>136306 1/2" Pressure Hose, 1/2"<br>Hose   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 134            | \$33.06                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 100   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | VALLEY FAB & EQUIP, INC.<br>136340 Hydraulic Hoses,<br>Pressure Hose  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 134            | \$28.37                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 101   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | VALLEY FAB & EQUIP, INC.<br>136373 Double Clevis Link   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 134            | \$171.78                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 102   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | VALLEY FAB & EQUIP, INC.<br>136396 Pin with Cotter Pin  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 134            | \$20.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 103   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | VALLEY FAB & EQUIP, INC.<br>136453 Model 60 ST/T Complete<br>Amber for '04 Oshkosh  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 134            | \$13.82                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 132   |
| DB0-5130-0400-0000        | MACHINERY- CONTRACTUAL    | RUCKER LUMBER INC, HWY -<br>Mar. 2024 HWY Acct. #1470 -<br>Invoice #'s 182492, 182665   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 24             | \$31.62                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 129   |



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| SF0-3410-0401-0000        | CONTRACTS               | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518909 North Boston Fire Co. -<br>Physicals & Respirator Tests<br>(3/18/24)                                     | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$2,825.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 139   |
| SF0-3410-0401-0000        | CONTRACTS               | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518680 North Boston Fire Co. -<br>Respirator Tests (3/25/24)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$90.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 134   |
| SF0-3410-0401-0000        | CONTRACTS               | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518912 Boston Fire Dept. -<br>Physicals (3/18/24)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$165.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 135   |
| SF0-3410-0401-0000        | CONTRACTS               | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518911 Patchin Fire Co. -<br>Physicals (3/18/24)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$55.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 136   |
| SF0-3410-0401-0000        | CONTRACTS               | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518309 North Boston Fire Co. -<br>Physicals & Respirator Tests<br>(3/9/24)                                      | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$190.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 12    |
| SF0-3410-0401-0000        | CONTRACTS               | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518308 Boston Fire Dept. -<br>Physicals & Respirator Tests<br>(3/9/24)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$4,025.00              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 10    |
| SG0-0600-0000-0000        | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE        | Fund SG0 AP Account   | 4/17/2024 | Fund SG0 AP<br>Account  | \$0.00                  | \$73,282.45              | \$0.00  | 148   |
| SG0-8160-0401-0000        | GARBAGE CONTRACTUAL BFI | WASTE MANAGEMENT<br>0021667-1342-6 March 2024<br>Curb Service & Hazardous Waste<br>Collection / February 2024<br>Recycling (38.50 tons) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 432            | \$64,084.02             | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 107   |
| SG0-8160-0401-0000        | GARBAGE CONTRACTUAL BFI | WASTE MANAGEMENT<br>0021667-1342-6 March 2024<br>Curb Service & Hazardous Waste<br>Collection / February 2024<br>Recycling (38.50 tons) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 432            | \$1,855.32              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 108   |
| SG0-8160-0401-0000        | GARBAGE CONTRACTUAL BFI | WASTE MANAGEMENT<br>0021667-1342-6 March 2024<br>Curb Service & Hazardous Waste<br>Collection / February 2024<br>Recycling (38.50 tons) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 432            | \$7,330.18              | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 109   |
| SG0-8160-0401-0000        | GARBAGE CONTRACTUAL BFI | WASTE MANAGEMENT<br>0021667-1342-6 March 2024<br>Curb Service & Hazardous Waste<br>Collection / February 2024<br>Recycling (38.50 tons) | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#: 432            | \$12.93                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 110   |
| SM0-0600-0000-0000        | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE        | Fund SM0 AP Account   | 4/17/2024 | Fund SM0 AP<br>Account  | \$0.00                  | \$1,519.87               | \$0.00  | 145   |
| SM0-4540-0400-0000        | CONTRACTUAL             | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518910 Boston EMS - Respirator<br>Tests (3/18/24)   | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$116.00                | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 137   |
| SM0-4540-0400-0000        | CONTRACTUAL             | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP<br>518865 Boston EMS - Physicals &<br>Respirator Tests (4/1/24)  | 4/17/2024 | Vendor#:<br>1499        | \$84.00                 | \$0.00                   | \$0.00  | 138   |

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| SM0-4540-0400-0000                      | CONTRACTUAL              | NATIONAL FUEL 04/2024 - Acct. #3237466 06 Acct. #3237466 06 - EMS Building - April 2024 (294 CCF)   | 4/17/2024        | Vendor#: 726            | \$273.15                   | \$0.00                     | \$0.00               | 82    |
| SM0-4540-0400-0000                      | CONTRACTUAL              | HEALTHWORKS-WNY, LLP 518310 Boston EMS - Respirator Test (3/9/24)                                   | 4/17/2024        | Vendor#: 1499           | \$29.00                    | \$0.00                     | \$0.00               | 11    |
| SM0-4540-0400-0000                      | CONTRACTUAL              | NYSEG 3/24 - Acct. #1001-6047-341 Acct. #1001-6047-341 - Boston EMS Building (4392 kwh)             | 4/17/2024        | Vendor#: 37             | \$692.68                   | \$0.00                     | \$0.00               | 46    |
| SM0-4540-0400-0000                      | CONTRACTUAL              | BOSTON HIGHWAY DEPT. March 2024 - EMS March 2024 - EMS Gas (59.3 gallons) and Diesel (53.3 gallons) | 4/17/2024        | Vendor#: 90             | \$325.04                   | \$0.00                     | \$0.00               | 76    |
| <b>Total Number of 148 Transactions</b> |                          |   | <b>No Errors</b> |                         | <b><u>\$170,785.95</u></b> | <b><u>\$170,785.95</u></b> | <b><u>\$0.00</u></b> |       |

**AP - 4367 Summary By Fund Number**

| Fund         | Debit                      | Credit                     | ENCILIQ              |
|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| A00          | \$52,848.38                | \$52,848.38                | \$0.00               |
| DB0          | \$20,415.59                | \$20,415.59                | \$0.00               |
| H05          | \$13,803.00                | \$13,803.00                | \$0.00               |
| L30          | \$1,566.66                 | \$1,566.66                 | \$0.00               |
| SF0          | \$7,350.00                 | \$7,350.00                 | \$0.00               |
| SG0          | \$73,282.45                | \$73,282.45                | \$0.00               |
| SM0          | \$1,519.87                 | \$1,519.87                 | \$0.00               |
| <b>Total</b> | <b><u>\$170,785.95</u></b> | <b><u>\$170,785.95</u></b> | <b><u>\$0.00</u></b> |



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| Account#                              | Account Description       | Trans Description   | Date                   | Reference           | Debit                      | Credit                     | ENC                  | LIQ | Seq # |
| A00-0522-0000-0000                    | EXPENDITURES              | Expenditure Control Account for Transaction #1  | 4/5/2024               | Vendor#: 1905       | \$75,000.00                | \$0.00                     | \$0.00               |     | 3     |
| A00-0600-0000-0000                    | ACCOUNTS PAYABLE          | Fund A00 AP Account   | 4/5/2024               | Fund A00 AP Account | \$0.00                     | \$75,000.00                | \$0.00               |     | 2     |
| A00-7310-0400-0000                    | YOUTH PROGRAMS-CONTR      | Boys & Girls Club of Orchard Park 2024 Pymt Funding for Services 1/1/24 - 12/31/24 Per Management Agreement | 4/5/2024               | Vendor#: 1905       | \$75,000.00                | \$0.00                     | \$0.00               |     | 1     |
| A00-9999-9999-9999                    | SYSTEM CONTROL            | System Control Account for fund A00   | 4/5/2024               |                     | \$0.00                     | \$75,000.00                | \$0.00               |     | 4     |
| <b>Total Number of 4 Transactions</b> |                           |   | <b>No Errors</b>       |                     | <b><u>\$150,000.00</u></b> | <b><u>\$150,000.00</u></b> | <b><u>\$0.00</u></b> |     |       |

**AP - 4364 Summary By Fund Number**

| Fund         | Debit              | Credit             | ENC/LIQ       |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| A00          | \$75,000.00        | \$75,000.00        | \$0.00        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$75,000.00</b> | <b>\$75,000.00</b> | <b>\$0.00</b> |

**AUDITED & APPROVED BY TOWN BOARD, RECORDED BY TOWN CLERK \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_**

# TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

TOWN OF BOSTON, NEW YORK

MARCH, 2024

TO THE SUPERVISOR:

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Pursuant to Section 27, Subd 1 of the Town Law, I hereby make the following statement of all fees and moneys received by me in connection with my office during the month stated above, excepting only such fees and moneys the application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by Law:

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|               |           |                              |                 |
|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>A1255</b>  |           |                              |                 |
|               | <u>7</u>  | DECALS                       | <u>6.64</u>     |
|               | <u>15</u> | PHOTOCOPIES                  | <u>3.75</u>     |
|               | <u>23</u> | DEATH CERTIFICATES           | <u>230.00</u>   |
|               | <u>2</u>  | MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES        | <u>20.00</u>    |
|               | <u>3</u>  | FAXES                        | <u>0.75</u>     |
|               |           | <b>TOTAL TOWN CLERK FEES</b> | <b>261.14</b>   |
| <hr/>         |           |                              |                 |
| <b>A2025</b>  |           |                              |                 |
|               | <u>1</u>  | USE OF FACILITY FEES         | <u>75.00</u>    |
|               | <u>1</u>  | USE OF SPORTING FACILITY     | <u>250.00</u>   |
|               |           | <b>TOTAL A2025</b>           | <b>325.00</b>   |
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| <b>A2110</b>  |           |                              |                 |
|               | <u>1</u>  | VARIANCE                     | <u>200.00</u>   |
|               |           | <b>TOTAL A2110</b>           | <b>200.00</b>   |
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| <b>A2544</b>  |           |                              |                 |
|               | <u>52</u> | DOG LICENSES                 | <u>383.00</u>   |
|               |           | <b>TOTAL A2544</b>           | <b>383.00</b>   |
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| <b>A2555</b>  |           |                              |                 |
|               | <u>16</u> | BUILDING PERMITS             | <u>4,547.00</u> |
|               | <u>1</u>  | CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY     | <u>50.00</u>    |
|               |           | <b>TOTAL A2555</b>           | <b>4,597.00</b> |
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| <b>SR2130</b> |           |                              |                 |
|               | <u>1</u>  | REFUSE & GARBAGE             | <u>275.08</u>   |
|               | <u>14</u> | WM BAG STICKER               | <u>42.00</u>    |
|               |           | <b>TOTAL SR2130</b>          | <b>317.08</b>   |

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**DISBURSEMENTS**

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR GENERAL FUND           | 5,766.14        |
| PAID TO SUPERVISOR FOR REFUSE & GARBAGE       | 317.08          |
| PAID TO NYSDEC FOR DECALS                     | 113.36          |
| PAID TO NYS ANIMAL POPULATION CONTROL PROGRAM | 59.00           |
| <b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>                    | <b>6,255.58</b> |

APRIL 1, 2024



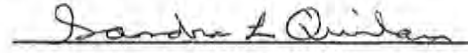
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 JASON KEDING  
*APRIL 9 2024*

, SUPERVISOR

**STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ERIE, TOWN OF BOSTON**


I, SANDRA QUINLAN, being duly sworn, says that I am the Clerk of the TOWN OF BOSTON that the foregoing is a full and true statement of all Fees and moneys received by me during the month above stated, excepting only such Fees the application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by law.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this



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 Town Clerk

*4<sup>th</sup>* day of *April* 20*24*



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 Notary Public

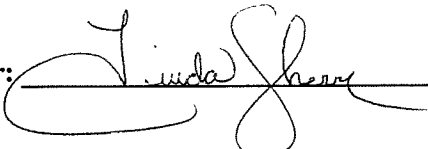
KAREN M. MILLER  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Reg. No. 01MI6385215  
Qualified in Erie County  
Commission Expires 12-21-20*26*

Thank you Margaret for the  
Updated Form!

**TOWN OF BOSTON DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT**

Month of: March 2024

| <u>Dates of Month</u>       | 1st Week  | 2nd Week   | 3rd Week    | 4th Week    | TOTALS |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
|                             | 1st - 7th | 8th - 14th | 15th - 21st | 22nd - 31st |        |
| Phone Calls Received        | 5         | 2          | 2           | 7           | 16     |
| Phone Calls Returned        | 5         | 2          | 2           | 7           | 16     |
| # of alive dogs picked up   | 0         | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0      |
| # of dead dogs picked up    | 0         | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0      |
| # of dogs released to owner | 0         | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0      |
| # of dogs euthenized        | 0         | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0      |
| # of dogs adopted           | 0         | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0      |
| # of dogs impounded         | 0         | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0      |

Signature of Dog Controll Officer: 

Date Submitted: 4.2.24



**ASSOCIATION OF ERIE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS  
FEBRUARY 22, 2024 MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:      President Jason Keding**

President Keding asked all to stand for the Pledge and Supervisor Robert Leary offered the Invocation. Supervisor Leary welcomed all to Lancaster and Russell's.

President Keding welcomed our guest Mike Fries, Acting Meteorologist-in Charge from the National Weather Service, County Executive Mark Poloncarz, Commissioner of Environment & Planning Dan Castle, Bonnie Kane Lockwood- Regional Director for Gov. Kathy Hochul, Highway Superintendents Representative Dave Gunner and Karen Howard from Senator Gallivan's Office, Mitch Martin from Sheriff Garcia's Office and Matt Crider & Gregg Houppert from ECC Technologies for ErieNet.

Roll Call taken at the Door

January Minutes      Moved by DiPasquale/Hamerick/All in Favor

February 2024 Treasurer's Report      Moved by White/Iafallo/All in Favor

**Committee Reports – ErieNet** - Keding mentioned any municipality interested in supporting ErieNet there is State Funding that is out there. If are interested, please submit that letter of intent there is a lot of money that is on the table right now in the State and we have ten-eleven municipalities that have received letters from. If municipality is interested, please submit that letter of intent, it's not a commitment it's just an interest that helps bolster that application to NYS. If you have any questions, reach out to Keding, Hartman at ErieNet or anyone else on her team.

**Crider** from ECC Technologies – All are familiar with ErieNet, it's a program started just about a year ago. The County Executive launched the program we formed a Local Development Corporation called ErieNet and their charged with building approximately 400 miles of fiber optic broadband infrastructure that will allow us to interconnect all the villages, towns, cities to the downtown City Center where all the major interstate intrastate broadband carriers land their services. So, that infrastructures permeate throughout the County, that was launched a year ago and just beginning construction. Finalized our backbone design and now in construction, a lot of that is called utility coordination so that can get our fiber onto the poles and into the utility's conduit. That's going full bore and probably have another six months of that to get through and then that clears the way for us to begin the fiber optic construction. Still feel on target schedule should be completed and have the majority of that backbone built by the end of 2025. Parts of the network will come on maybe as early as next year. Then it's a rolling install as move through the County and get through that initial build as our target by year end 2025. What's come up since then, met with every town and village, a few we haven't, and those few we haven't met with yet my associate, Gregg Houppert, who is our Sales Exe. for ErieNet has some information for those towns we haven't met with. For all the municipalities ECC Technologies is formulating a grant to the NYS Connect All Office and they have a substantial amount of ARP Funds that haven't been allocated yet. ARP Funds have to be committed and under contract by the end of 2025. NYS Connect All approached ErieNet as one of the shovel

ready opportunities in NYS. Looking to expand our initial backbone and get to every municipal facility, we're talking about getting to every Municipal Hall but also want to be able to get to your Senior Center, Highway Departments, Fire Halls any municipal property wants to build ErieNet out to that facility. Construction, Network integration cost is what asking the grant to cover. Including customer premise equipment, the router, essentially for every one of your facilities that wants to connect to the network. It is the municipalities choice to connect to the network or not but if you do will also provide all with that router so that you can light that fiber and create your municipal network. That all has to be done by March 8<sup>th</sup> and hope to hear back from the Connect All Office in April and if fully funded then will reach out to all the municipalities and give you two proposals. One – worst case there is no grant funding and this would be what it would be to participate. Two – if successful with the grant will have an even better story to tell. Hopefully will have good news to share by middle of April. That is where we are with ErieNet.

**Keding** did talk to Supervisor Kulpa on Economic Development wanted to share that the Consolidating Funding Applications (CFA) process has changed. We will have Mo Sumbundu to speak to all about that. Again, some technicalities, portal have changed and Kulpa wanted to report on that.

**Powers** – State Liaisons- just returned from NYC meetings went well and great turnout - up about 10% from a year ago. Keding mentioned AOT, NYCOM and Association of Counties a lot of collective initiatives going on.

**Snow Plowing Committee** – need a couple more to be on that committee Supervisors DePasquale & Clark that will take place in Spring of 2025. Mayor White offered

## **Dinner**

Before we got started with the meeting **Keding** mentioned that County Executive Poloncarz would like to mention New Wave Energy. The County does a community choice for energy and New Wave does have a clause in their contract that if you find a lower rate, they have the ability to requote that and try to get that lower rate. Want all to take a look at this.

**Poloncarz** wanted all to know that New Wave Energy is going around and talking to local governments saying that they can do better than the County's Consortium on Energy. What the County is hearing is they are actually providing false numbers on what the County's numbers are. If you do get someone that reaches out to you, call the County. We can say what the accurate numbers are New Wave may be better in a situation and may not be, but with the numbers the County is hearing about the numbers being discussed are actually incorrect. If do have someone reach out to you, you would want to talk to them but you want to make certain the information giving you is accurate and the County is hearing it is not. Stating the County's overall amount is much higher than it actually is. If get that call, call Reed Braman (Phone 716-858-8069) who is head of County Energy Division and he can confirm right away whether or not you're getting accurate information. The County has done a very good job of aggregating everything and being able to purchase it so that the County can keep the cost down. **Keding** added remember energy is a commodity it changes daily so just because they give you a good



number today that changes tomorrow morning once those markets open back up. Keding shared a little further on the Town of Boston and New Wave there is a clause in their contract that allows New Wave to comeback and counter a lower quote. If almost indifferently stuck into this contract and with some legal counsel from the Town counsel and AOT Counsel the Town of Boston said technically that was signed by the past Supervisor and Board and can't legally bind another administration into a contract. They pushed back, Boston pushed back and said when Keding came in on January 1<sup>st</sup> it's null and void and ready to take to court. They never came back after them. Not saying New Wave is a bad company but the County Executive has some good points and if the New Wave is putting incorrect information give the County a call if looking to shop energy rates because energy rates are coming down and great way to save money for your constituents.

President Keding introduced **Michael Fries, Acting Meteorologist-in Charge from National Weather Service (716-565-0204 x223, michael.j.fries@noaa.gov)**. Mike thanked us for having him to speak tonight and will talk a little bit about the intersection of winter being snow and anything climate in terms of how it's affecting things in our local area here at this time and probably into the near future. Mike talked about what Normal actually is for us. Our memories are often times clouded by the extreme events on one end or the other. So, we'll talk about what actually is normal and then get into some of the snow patterns that affect our area here. Some of the tendencies and trends seeing locally, both in terms of temperatures in Lake Erie, as well as, Lake Effect distributions in the County and translate how that may work out in the future. Talk a little bit about what it looks like historically and what does that mean for the future in our area.

**Slide 3** - showed a baseline (Average Annual Snowfall in our Area) – Erie County kind of has a very strong gradient in snowfall across the Counties with the hills in the Southern part of the County averaging between 150"-175" of snow a year. Whereas, up along the Niagara County border the normal is more on the order of 75" a year. Talking about a difference of 100" between the hills in the southern part of the County and the flat lands on the northern end of the county but this is a normal year. We realize very few years are normal and normal years don't mean that you'll have more or less big events during the year. If look at that slide, the County is looking about half of what that would be and the deviation is even larger in the southern part of the County then it is in the northern part of the County this year.

**Slide 4** - Throwing out the normal for the entire year and the blue line is the track of where we have been in this winter so far, you can see our temperatures, this is a daily track through the year, we should stay in the green in the middle of that if it was normal. This winter other than a period of about two weeks, the second half of January, has not been normal. It's been above normal, as a matter of fact, very close to record above normal but you can see our records in January, every month of the year our records eclipse 70 degrees. Whether it's January, February any month of the year don't have a month that we have failed to hit 70 in Buffalo, believe it or not. However, the one thing I will point you to is how our low temperatures really have not been very cold at all this year. Even in the coldest part of this year and they haven't been for several years either. These are trends we watching going forward.

**Slide 5** - (Click on pictures and can slide down to see other examples) Getting back to the snow part of the conversation, generally about four different patterns that will bring snow to the

Buffalo area. The first is called the **Great Lakes Cutter** – these systems that essentially spin off of either the Southern Rockies and sort of take a big left hook up into what we'll call the cyclone graveyard, which is Lake Huron. So generally, these types of systems, and there's a whole lot of meteorology behind why weather systems track that way, but it is a very normal thing to happen where these are the types of systems that come up in our area. Get a few inches of snow, warmer air starts to come in, will change over to rain, then as the low goes by that's when we get wind, generally we get our wind storms and then Lake Effect will follow that often.

Another one is the **Nor'easter** – don't really think of these as being systems that are generally our biggest problem in far Western New York but on occasion they are like the Super Storm of '93 dropped about a foot of snow in much of this area, which he knew, because many of us here are a foot of snow go home, in any event that's another thing we deal with.

The next one is the **Alberta Clipper** these are generally lighter snows but it brings in colder air.

Then there's the **Lake Effect** which really can be associated with any of these but it's the type of thing where because we sit at the end of the long access of a great lake, we're especially vulnerable in this area to Lake Effect snow. I will call them the NY Great Lakes both specifically are more susceptible to very heavy Lake Effect snow events in the upstream Great Lakes or upper Great Lakes simply because of geography because of how the flow works over those lakes for the most part. So, we end up what we call dominant band events instead of multi band events where the entirety of the Lake Effect comes out in one band that often times sits in the range of about a million people on this side of the lake here.

**Slide 6** - These patterns are evolving and they're evolving right in front of our eyes in the last few years. The cold air burst that seeing last time and are more abrupt, also because of the way the cold influxes of air are working from Canada. The duration of time that the other types of snow systems can tract in our area is generally shorter, so not seeing as much snow from the other types of system that would be seeing it from otherwise. Also, the fact that getting shorter bursts of cold air is affecting the temperature of both the Great Lakes and the Gulf Stream off the East Coast. So that's affecting the way that Nor'easter's trac up the East Coast, as well as, the way that Lake Effect bands gets form. Have been looking at this in our office here and know that one of the specific questions Supervisor Keding sent along was why does it seem like the bands of snow are more often forming in the Southtowns or even the Northtowns than the hills in the Southern part of the County? One of the things they have been looking at is because of the Lake is warmer deeper into the year it actually can affect the way we call it thermal trophic – so what it will do is curve a snow band into the warmer part of the temperature profiles because you have that little tiny plum of warmer air that's coming Northeast of the Lake it'll actually tail the band of snow a little bit to the North.

**Slide 7** - When talking about events where just a few miles changes the population that's affected by these bands by hundreds of thousands of people and dealing with models that are trying to predict this. That on the very smallest scale might be 4 kilometers spacing but most are more like 11-12 kilometer spacing these are things that our models aren't designed to handle and we still really value the input of the forecasters on these things. The other thing is Great Lakes ice cover is evolving and have all seen that in the last couple of years.



Take a walk back through about the last 15 years or so on some of that to show all really how unusual this winter and last winter have been in that regard. But one thing said in general before gets into much of that is that individual events themselves are not in direct evidence of a changing climate by themselves - It's certainly the accumulation of them over time that we see these climatological changes that start to show up in our normal. So, winters like this winter and last winter, even though know we had a lot of snow locally, last winter was a very warm winter other than a couple of very short periods.

**Slide 8** - The frequency of the number of times these things show up are an indicator that things are changing. Going back to the early 50's, took this from a study that their agency did with the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. Great Lakes Basin as a whole the average temperature since the 50's is up 2.3 degrees. Doesn't sound like a lot but when you spend a lot of the winter as we do, within just a few degrees of freezing, 2.3 degrees is meaningful. Not only that the average frost-free season has gone up 16 days and you notice that especially the last two years the number of days the ground simply isn't frozen. The amount of precipitation that's been falling in the Great Lakes Basin is up about 14% and seen the ramifications to some of that in 2017 and 2019 when the Great Lake levels themselves got very high. Particularly in 2019 because of all of the Great Lake's levels got very high not just the lower Great Lakes. Also, seen about a 35% increase in heavy precipitation events. If look back to this last summer had a thousand-year flood in Canandaigua, just down the road. That's the type of thing looking at happening much more often.

**Slide 9** – (Dates of Satellite pictures of the Lake on right side in tiny print) Promised to talk about Lake Erie and a lot of the questions got were about Lake Erie. Fries took this Satellite picture from the one sunny day we had, February 20, 2024, and not a speck of ice on Lake Erie, not to mention no ice on Lake St. Claire, the southern part of Lake Huron and it's not unusual not to have ice on Lake Ontario but nonetheless. Had slide of the same time last year, a little bit more snow cover in Michigan and Southern Ontario and on the Chautauqua Ridge and Boston Hills on the 20<sup>th</sup> of February but still no ice. Took a walk back every couple of years going back to 2008. 2020 had ice, 2018 had ice, 2026 had ice, 2014 had ice, 2012 and that was the year we had temperatures in the 70's in all through March and then it got cold in April and a garbage spring. Let's go back two more years 2010, 2008 – seeing a pattern here – that last year and this year are so far outside of our realm of normal that we really haven't seen anything like it other than maybe one year in the last 20 years.

**Slide 10** - Another way of looking at the same thing this is Lake Erie's average ice concentration going back to 1973. The red line is the year of maximum ice coverage on Lake Erie that was 1978. Knows everyone always talks about the Blizzard of '77 but in the western part of the Lake Erie Basin they talk about the Blizzard of '78 that was their sort of Blizzard of record it was the super cold cold winter. That was the year that Lake Erie had its largest ice cover on record and you'll notice this year, and the lowest year is 1998, the green line on the bottom. Did a little better than 1998 this year simply by virtually the fact had those two cold weeks in January. We got the ice cover on the lake believe it peaked at about 36% almost all of that ice was in the part of Lake Erie west of Point Pelle & Cedar Point. The reason for that is that's the shallow part of Lake Erie and that's also the part of Lake Erie where cold air comes over the Lake more

unabated, it doesn't have to go over as much other warm Lake water to get there. But notice that peak was very abrupt and very quick because warmed up so quickly we're back down to essentially no ice on Lake Erie at this point. Again, can see the spread in the years its quite a vast spread on Lake Erie you can see what side of the normal we are on there.

**Slide 11** - Mentioned how in the Great Lakes have seen a 35% increase in big precipitation events, if you just break up the Northeast that number is actually 74% increases in heavy precipitation events. Our side of the Great Lakes is actually becoming more susceptible to these things then the Upper Great Lakes is. Evidence in the floods that were very close to us this past summer, just in Vermont and New Hampshire if you recall, that was fairly catastrophic just two years ago the flooding in the Finger Lakes as well. They are not that far from our neighborhood these are things that are all very keen and take a tough look at in our area.

**Slide 12** - So, the future for the Great Lakes it seems pretty certain we will be dealing with on average more annual precipitation. It's trending toward wetter winters and dryer summers, as well. You'll notice both of the last two summers had a drought, at least a portion of the summer, this past year had a pretty substantial drought for the first half of the summer that turned on its head the second half of the summer. And places as close as the Genesee Valley are still dealing with the ramifications of that with dry wells in Genesee, Livingston and Wyoming Counties to this point still and this has been months that it has been going on. But with those weather winters come increases of sewage overflow and flood damage and erosion and all the impact of transportation that we get. We're also seeing higher stratifications in the Great Lakes which means warmer surface waters, which we also were turning into more Lake Effect precipitation and a change in the distribution of the Lake Effect precipitation like Fries mentioned. What its meant so far is that we're seeing more Lake Effect snow, right now, that may not last super long though. Because we'll get to a point where, like mentioned, an average of 2.4 degrees warmer than it was in the 50's gets us so that our normal high temperature now is just barely at freezing the coldest part of the winter. Go any warmer than that we're not going to be dealing with Lake Effect snow any more we'll be dealing with what they dealt with on the east end of Lake Ontario earlier this winter which was Lake Effect rain that caused flooding. It's a totally different animal because you can't plow water. That's another thing to consider. Also, with Lake Erie right in our neighborhood are good friends in Ohio and Southeast lower Michigan are dealing with some fairly large algal blooms on Lake Erie and just because we're on the deeper end of Lake Erie we've been sort of protective, so far, simply by virtue of the fact that our end of Lake Erie hasn't been as warm as the Western end of Lake Erie. Much like how it cools off quite more rapidly in the winter it warms up much more rapidly in the summer as well. So, it's common place to see surface water temperatures on the west end of Lake Erie in the 80's in the summer. It's not as common here like this past we peaked, Fries believed, at about 75 degrees in Buffalo for the water temperature, the year before that we got to about 78-79 degrees. But if our surface water temperatures in Buffalo start to get into the low 80's we'll have the same issues likely. Then you end up to impacts to drinking water. Probably remember a few years ago Toledo, Ohio, a City of about a half a million people, if not mistaken, they couldn't drink their water for quite a long period of time. So, these are things that are not ramifications that people usually think about when they have such a huge resource of fresh water like we do. But there are things that are in the back of the heads of people that in our agency at NOAA work on these problems every day.



**Slide 13** – This is looking back 120 years, going back to 1900 and this is just the difference from our current averages, 30-year averages that change every 10 years. The averages working on right now are 1990-2020. These are where temperatures across the Country each decade relative to the normal's we're working on right now and notice the northern part of the Country is definitely the part that has seen the biggest change. It was quite a bit colder then as compared to now and the distribution is more extreme in our part of the Country then it is, especially in the southeast, where the changes are not nearly as rapid.

**Slide 14** - Another plot of our minimum winter temperatures this is for Buffalo, going back to the 1870's, this is the coldest temperatures of the whole year in Buffalo. Can see going back coldest temperature ever was in 1934 and tied again about 1960. That's the only time Buffalo has been 20 degrees below 0 and have not been anywhere close to that in recent years. In fact, it's been a decade since we've been colder than 10 below. Now, currently, it's not really reflective on here – currently in our longest stretch, in our period of record, that have failed to go below 0 in Buffalo. It has now been since the winter of 2020 since we went below 0 in Buffalo. Which is sort of remarkable considering how consistently did it over the period of record.

**Slide 15** – This is the mean wintertime temperature and can see a lot of noise here but look at about 1970 to now is where you really start to see that departing from the noise in the wintertime.

**Slide 16** – Here's another chart Maximum temperatures below 0. Talked about low temperatures below 0 before about 1940 or so every few years you would have a day where it failed to get above 0 during the day, it's only happened two times since then. Even more remarkable because back then the temperature observations were downtown now the observations are in Cheektowaga. From the airport to the lake, in a straight line, is probably ten miles so in theory it should be much easier to stay below 0 in Cheektowaga than it would be downtown on the waterfront.

**Slide 17** – How do we deal with this in our office? Often will say for meteorologists and everyone at our office, except for electronics people, we deal in day-to-day weather. Deal in forecasting the next event, especially the next three to seven days, a lot of the times the climate stuff just passes us by because just dealing with the next problem on our plate. So, have a lot of tools we use whether it's dynamical model solutions that incorporate an incredible amount of data from all sorts of sources. But the one that is really critical to us is satellite data. About 90% of the data that goes into the weather models that effects the forecasts that comes out of them is from satellites now. All the ground sensors in the world can't make up for that, us launching our balloons can't make up for that. Every time you hear about a weather satellite going up the meteorologists in the room are kind of cheering because it's that important to them. These models that are used are incredibly computationally intensive. There's floors of super computers and DC and West Virginia and near Kansas City where they run them and they backup run them. NOAA is a Government Agency and have backup capabilities for everything you can think of. These models that we have run anywhere from the finest scale ones will run out maybe from 18 hrs. and the ones that are a little bit global in scale will run up to 384 hrs. They have different uses and different things they're good at and things that we know the tendencies of to know how to correct them.

The more recent topic of Artificial Intelligence - earlier indications are that artificial intelligence is really going to be something that will be of value to weather forecasting. However, will put a huge asterisk of that it seems like it would be very good at forecasting day to day conditions but as smart as artificial intelligence it seems it's also really dumb because if it hasn't seen something before it doesn't know what to do with it. Fries has been in the weather services 19 years and worked in four different offices and four different states. Started his career working for what was then the Hyper Meteorological Prediction Center in Washington, DC backup to the Hurricane Center and did all the different quantitative precipitation forecasts for the United States out of that office.

He worked there when Hurricane Katrina came in and saw a storm that nobody in that area had seen in their entire life. So, right from the start of Fries career he's forecasting an event that hadn't happened before. From there he went to Spokane, WA and when he moved there the biggest snow event, they ever had was 13 inches, while he was there, they had a snow event that was 30 inches, that's a huge difference. In a part of the Country that only sees an average of 17 inches of liquid equivalent a year, a 30-inch snowfall is incredible. Then he moved to Pittsburgh and Hurricane Sandy they got the forecast there, had the mountains of West Virginia and Maryland in our forecast area there. So, Fries was putting out blizzard warnings for a hurricane – think about that. That's something nobody has to do before. Been in Buffalo the last 6 years and last winter we had the November Storm, which all looked at like Holy Cow this is happening and a month later we went to the December Storm and now get to see how looking at Artificial Intelligence would be great to forecast an 80-degree day in the summer to 30-degree day in the winter but just remember it's only as smart as what feeds it.

And the biggest thing that works for us in Buffalo is the experience of the forecasters at the office and this may sound really old school the models don't handle Lake Effect very well at all. They have tendencies that the forecasters know about, they know how to adjust to those tendencies, they know how the distributions for what the models turn out to where it actually goes tends to work. They also know how that the models tend to try to work to turn Lake Effect snow into what we call cellular convections, when they show on TV it looks like a little pot mark coming off the Lake. It's because they overplay how unstable it is instead of forming the bands it will try to form these little cells that the models spit out all the time but is not reality. We know that because it very rarely happens except very early in the winter and very late in the winter.

In addition to that we still manually produce all watches, warnings and every single one of the briefings or email products that you would get in your email inbox a human from our office still puts together. All those graphics are still done to a varying degree by a human using tools and all those briefings go out to all of the County, State, the local emergency managers all get those things and NOAA accept feedback whenever you have it. So, if you ever have feelings about any of them, please feel free to contact Fries. Not to mention the fact that NOAA works very closely with some of our broadcast media, as well, Fries was part of a presentation to America Meteorology Society National Meeting that had a special meeting in January in Baltimore with both our CBS and NBC affiliates in Buffalo. It's something that we work on really hard to make sure we're all on the same page because a forecast is only as good as the way that it's



communicated. And if you have people that are able to say well the weather service is saying this but CBS is saying this ABC is saying this that is not a place you want to be.

**Slide 18** – There are additional difficulties that the National Weather Service deals with –

1. A lot of the models can't resolve the Great Lakes which is a huge problem for Lake Effect and the models take, even the ones that can handle the Great Lakes, take a stagnant lake temperature at the start of the model and it runs through the whole model.
2. Why would this be a problem? Well, saw how quickly the amount of ice cover on Lake Erie can change.
3. That model run is going out usually 10-14 days. The amount of ice can change like last year around Christmas time went almost no ice to almost full ice cover on Lake Erie in the span of about 10 days. That's one model up. That model would have thought the Lake was wide open that whole time. As they say models are only as smart as what you put in them.
4. Competing with the firehose of bad information from "Facebook forecasters" every single person in this room has to deal with Facebook warriors. There are certain times when your job feels really thankless and if you open Facebook during any snow event our job feels really thankless. Often times those Facebook forecasters love to take a shock graphic. They'll pick one frame from one model on one run that did something really crazy they really want to happen, that's usually not's what's going to happen, but those graphics look so convincing because in your mind, especially Fries as a meteorologist, it could happen but probably not going to. Then meteorologists have to compete with how convincing those graphics look, even though they know, that they are made out of bad data.

**Slide 19** – What do we do going forward – That's a whole lot of working together. Have a really good integrated flow of information that goes from the Weather Service to the State Governments to the County Government to Local Governments and vice versa. Fries probably met and worked closely with the County Emergency Management and worked with many of your Emergency Managers in one capacity or another, as well. National Weather Service gets a lot of information from all them that comes back to us, as well.

The one thing that we can do a lot of work on is allowing our agency to know the decision points that really matter to all of you. Here a lot from the State level, a lot from the County level, but it gets to the point where you cover 16 Counties, like they do out of the Buffalo Office, sometimes the message need to be heard louder. One of the things that the forecasters love to talk about is how NYSDOT talks about two inches an hour for 24 hours and all good. Living here for six years NYS does a hell of a better job than any other place Fries ever lived with snow. Fries applauds the efforts being put in by the State and the County and the Municipalities to remove snow here and never seen anything like it anywhere else I worked or lived and lived in seven States that get snow.

Other thing that needs to work on a little bit more is how to present uncertainty in our forecasts. Everyone wants a lot of specificities specifically in Lake Effect events specifically when we know that moving a band a few miles changes the amount of people it affects by hundreds of thousands of people and sometimes can give those specificities really confidently and other times

it's just not there. That's one thing that we, as an agency, can work on a lot better than we have in the past. The other thing is Community Outreach and engagement whether it be our spotter trainings, the way that we put forward our messages on social media.

**Slide 20** - Also have Weather Ready Nation Ambassador Program that every single one of your communities is eligible to sign up for. Not to mention the StormReady Designation that has a very specific plan for how the Weather Service communicates information down and how communication comes back up to us from it. The Weather Ready Nation Ambassador Plan basically just is a group of communities that have agreed to be sort of a signal amplifier for them where elected people share information with your communities.

**Slide 21** - And then the StormReady is a much more rigorous program that involves 24-hour warning points. The way the warnings and watches are put to your first responders and the way that you get information from your first responders back to our office, as well.

**Slide 22** - Speak about our area there are 5 StormReady Communities inside of Erie County – One being the County, Towns of Amherst, Cheektowaga, UB, and also The Bills. So, this is another area where The Weather Service could expand cooperation inside of our area.

**Q & A – County Executive Mark Poloncarz** thanked Fries for the presentation most of us have lived this, Fries has been here six years, but the November Storm last year was almost identical to the 2014 Storm and since Poloncarz has been County Executive we've had four official blizzards and two massive Super Storms that don't qualify as a Blizzard and think we all agree because of the change in what we are seeing. If the predictions are true our global temperatures increase by about another 1 degree Celsius over the next 10 to 20 years. Is it fair to say we are just going to be seeing even much worse with regards to higher precipitation? **Fries** I think it's pretty clear that in the near future we will probably see in the next decade or two probably larger Lake Effect events being Lake Effect Snow events. Once we get beyond them it maybe that's it's to warm for snow anymore where we end up with Lake Effect events that end up as rain events sometimes. You mentioned 2014 was another SnowVember year what year was the October Surprise? 2006 – so you notice how these really big events happen in the early part of the winter. So, in the early part of the winter that's when its really difficult to get cold enough to snow is where we may end up in a situation where we're plowing rain in that regard. So, removal of water is going to be a topic of concern in the decades to come. Fries was praying for a Lake Erie Super Bowl thinks that would have been the coolest thing in the world as somebody that grew up in Detroit and lived here for a while.

**Powers** stated a number of us came back from NYC and down there they say winter is over with. How about here do you see it. **Fries** mentioned have basically one cold day this weekend probably get a little bit of snow this weekend next couple of weeks look decidedly above normal overall. It's going to snow more this year but get out of Lake Effect season once you get into the wee days of winter. If going to get a big snow it's probably going to be a weather system and usually with those your top end is in the 18-inch range. It's WNY we can deal with it.

**Leary** asked being a boater and even on the nice days that we see during the summer time the winds are so high it makes it very rough to go out on the boat. **Fries** this is something that he loves to talk about, in a way, because even though the atmosphere is super complicated some of the ways that it deals with things is super simple. There is only two ways you can dissipate heat in the atmosphere. One you either pump it up so you create more thunderstorms, more rain, more snow, more clouds or you pump it toward the pole. The second one is what we're talking about here is you end up with more kinetic energy in the atmosphere by default and the atmosphere is warmer because you have to dissipate the heat from the lower latitudes to the upper latitude. One of those two ways is the only way you're going to do it. So, you are noticing something that we see. No more questions and **Fries** thanked all for being there.

**Keding** asked **Kane Lockwood** (1-518-948-5664 [Bonnie.Lockwood@exec.ny.gov](mailto:Bonnie.Lockwood@exec.ny.gov)) from the Governor's Office if she had anything she wanted to say. Kane Lockwood reminded of the Restore Grant are now out if you didn't get any information about it contact her and she'll make sure you get it. There are a lot on programs that a number of municipalities have taken advantage of in the past. Lockwood worked for Higgins for 16 years and now with the Governor's Office since April of last year here to be of assistance in the WNY Office. It covers Erie, Niagara, Chautauqua, Cattaraugus and Allegany Counties. Happy to hear about ErieNet and will take back the information and do whatever we can to be of assistance on behalf of the Governor's Office. Thank you for the welcome and contact is above.

**Keding** did ask **Fries** how do you take the data from the weather spotters. **Fries** it goes into the local storm report that feeds a chronological data base that is used for a whole bunch of different types of research, as well as, it supports all of the damage estimates for weather disasters. All the data from that feeds those things that inform some of the ways that Federal Money is used for that. Take all of the reports from all of our spotters locally put them in there particularly if spotters or Emergency Managers or whoever it is who is reporting to them report specific damage to infrastructure. If they have any idea the amount money it's good for them to know because it feeds the Federal Data Base. **Keding** if anyone wants to be a weather spotter it's a simple class can download a really simple app and it's a lot of fun too.

**Move to Adjourn** Hoak/Tallman



ASSOCIATION OF ERIE COUNTY GOVERNMENTS  
MARCH, 2024

| Banking Statements     | Savings   |                             | Checking        |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Bank of Holland</b> | 2/10/24-3/8/24                                    |                             | 2/10/24-3/08/24 |
|                        | <b>SAVINGS</b>                                    |                             | <b>CHECKING</b> |
| <b>Previous Bal.</b>   | <b>8,891.30</b>                                   | <b>Previous Bal.</b>        | <b>77.01</b>    |
| Withdrawals            |   | 814 - WNY Networks          | 125.00          |
| 2/12/2024              | 125.00  | 814 - Russell's Steaks, Cho | 3,745.32        |
| 3/22/2024              | 3,400.00  | 3/5/24 - M. Calhoun-Allen   | 775.00          |
| 2/23/2024              | 345.32  |                             |                 |
| 3/5/2024               | 775.00  |                             |                 |
| Interest               | 0.93  |                             |                 |
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| 2/24/24                | 1,140.00  | 2/22/24                     | 3,400.00        |
| 2/24/2024              | 370.00  | 2/23/24                     | 345.32          |
| 2/27/24                | 60.00   | 3/5/24                      | 775.00          |
| <b>TOTAL SAVING</b>    | <b>7,136.91</b>                                   | <b>TOTAL CHECKING</b>       | <b>77.01</b>    |
|                        |   | <b>Total Bank Balances</b>  | <b>7,213.92</b> |
|                        | <b>Respectfully Submitted,</b>                    |                             |                 |
|                        | <b>Denny Powers, Treasurer</b>                    |                             |                 |
|                        | <b>Marilynn Calhoun-Allen, Executive Director</b> |                             |                 |



# The Dynamics of Snow Forecasting in the Buffalo Area

Michael Fries

Acting Meteorologist in Charge

National Weather Service  
Buffalo, NY





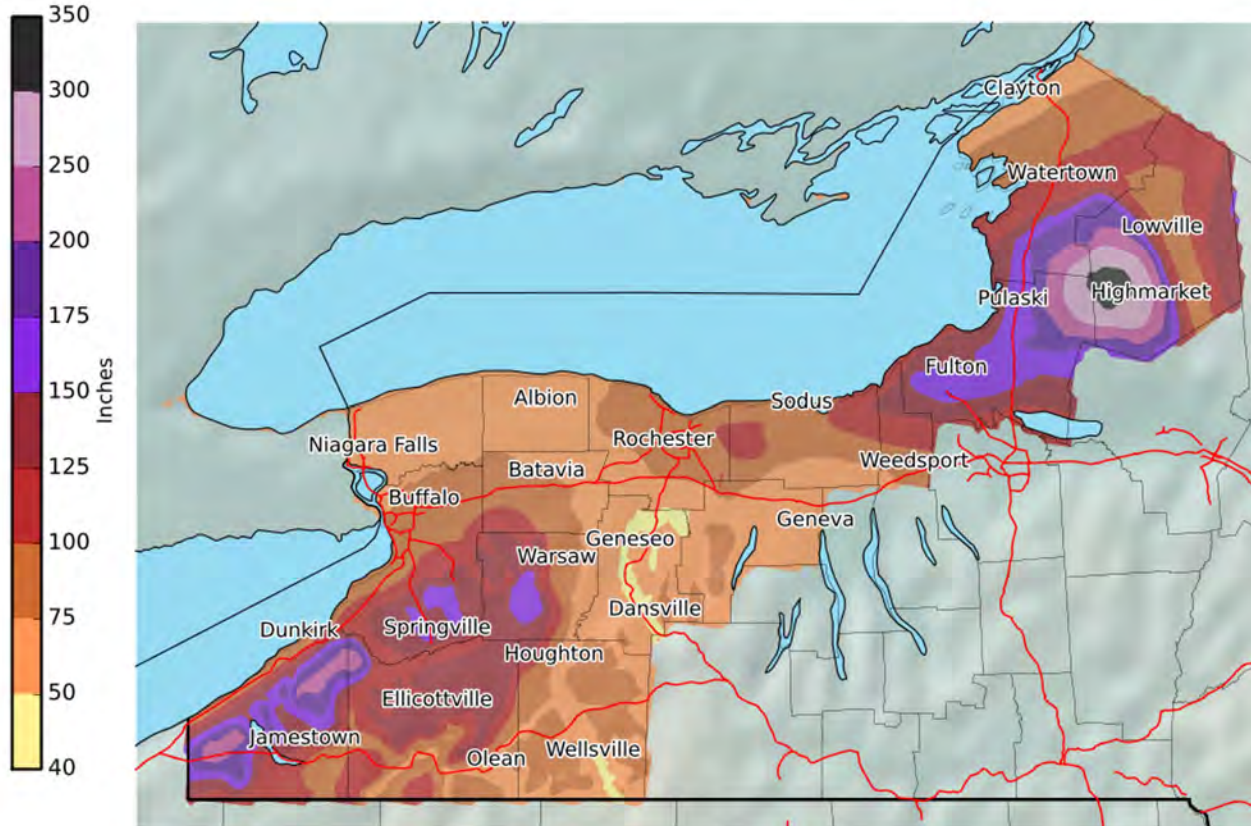
## Overview

- What is “Normal?”
- Snow Patterns that Affect the Buffalo Area
- Overall Climate Tendencies & Trends
- Historic Precipitation Information
- What Does it Mean for Our Area?



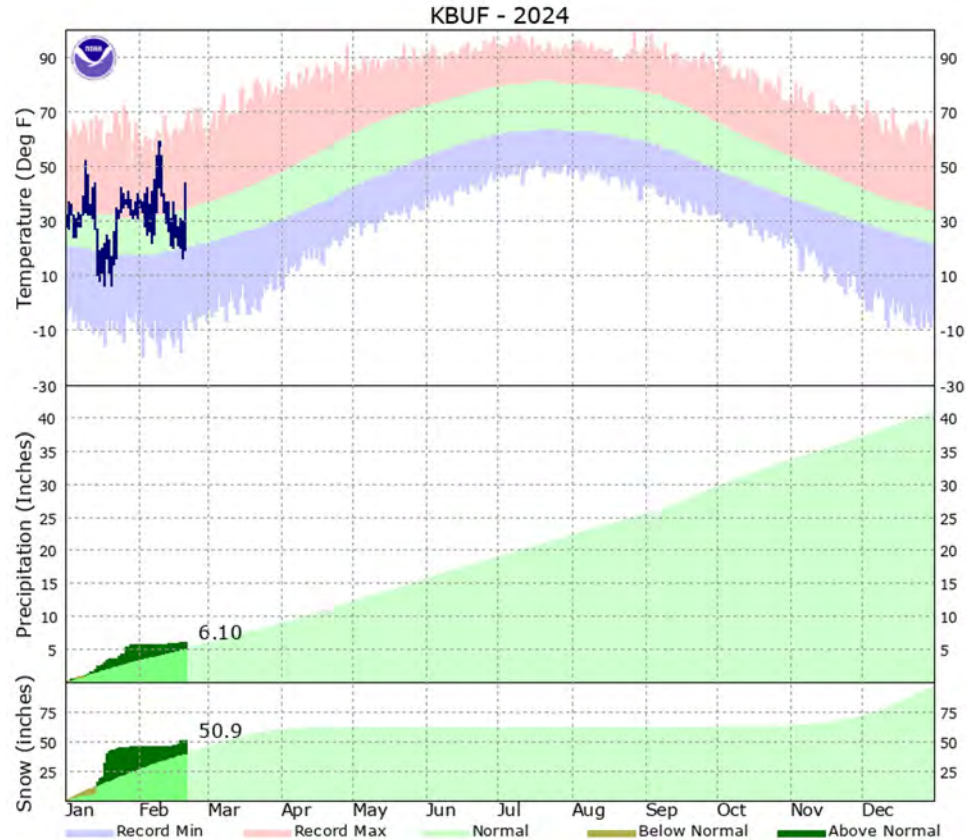


# Average Annual Snowfall in Our Area





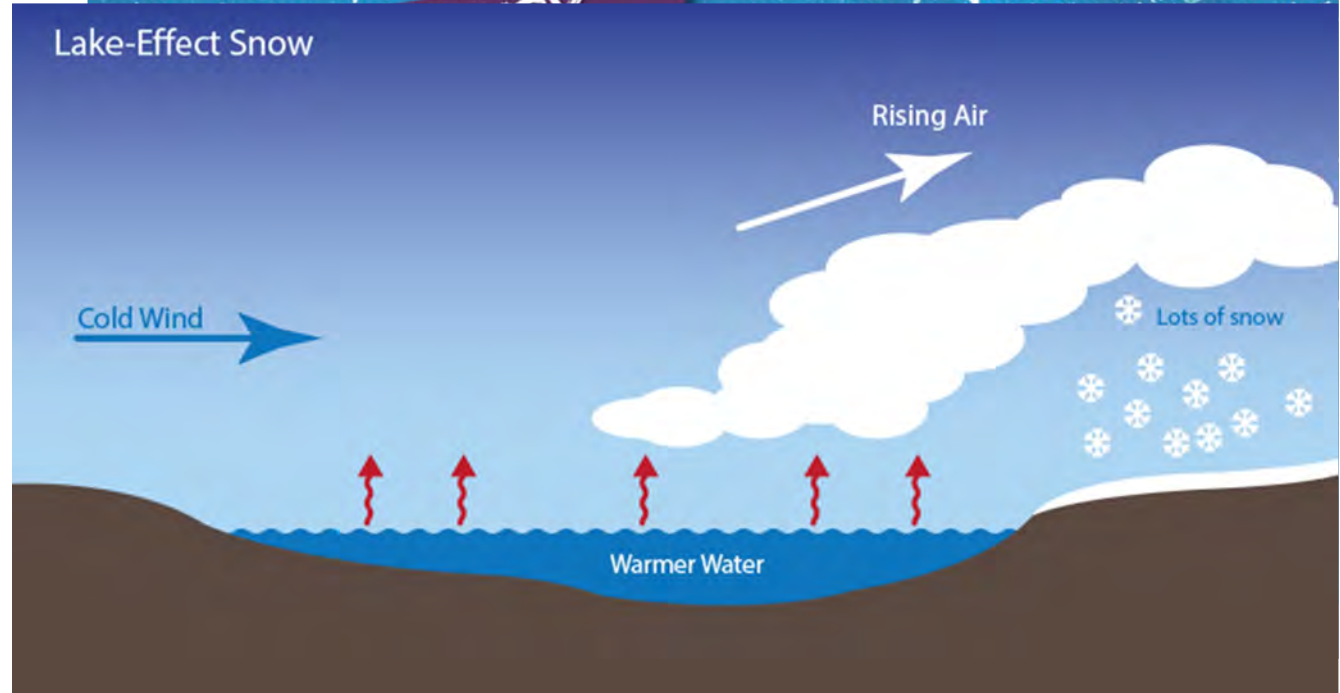
# Normals and Extremes





# Patterns that Bring Snow to the Buffalo Area

- Great Lakes Cutter
- Nor'easter
- Alberta Clipper
- Lake Effect







## Snowy Patterns Are Evolving

- Cold air bursts are lasting less time
- Changing the duration that the track of cutters and clippers are likely
- Affecting the temperature of the Gulf Stream, affecting Nor'easter formation
- Great Lakes ice cover and surface water temperature changes



## Initial Words on Changes We are Seeing

Is a single event the direct result of climate change?

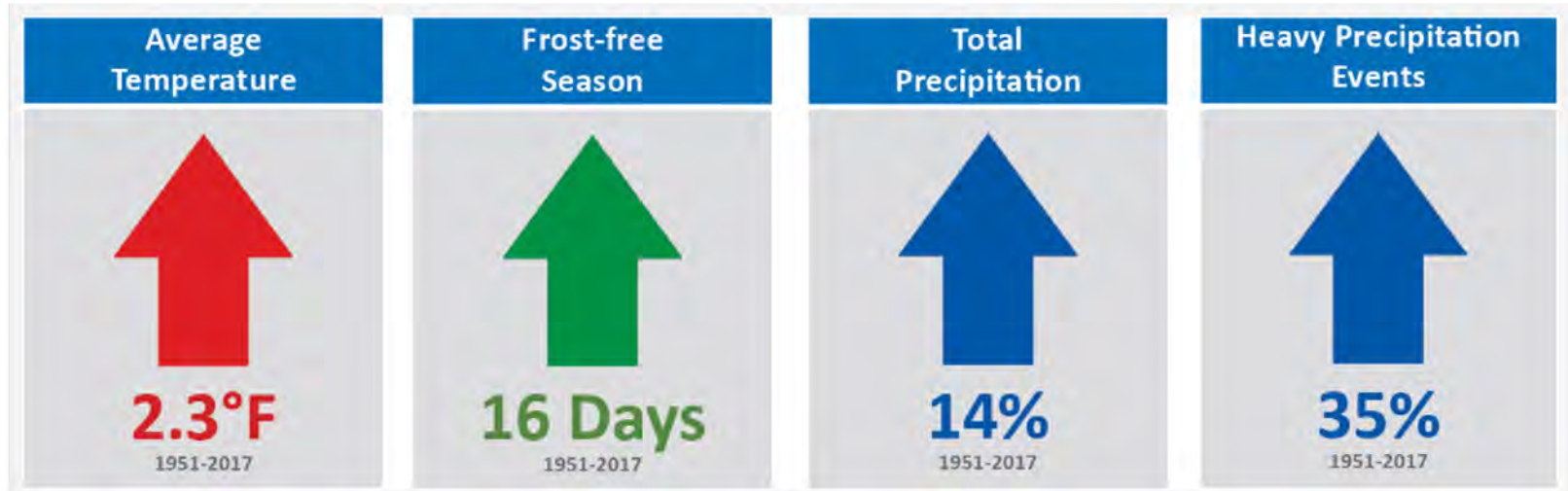
Individual extreme events **do not** constitute climate change...

The ***frequency*** of these types of events and the ***seasonal shifts*** are an indicator of a changing climate though...



## Great Lakes Region Impacts

- From GLISA (NOAA, University of Michigan, Michigan State University)







Data courtesy of  
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University of  
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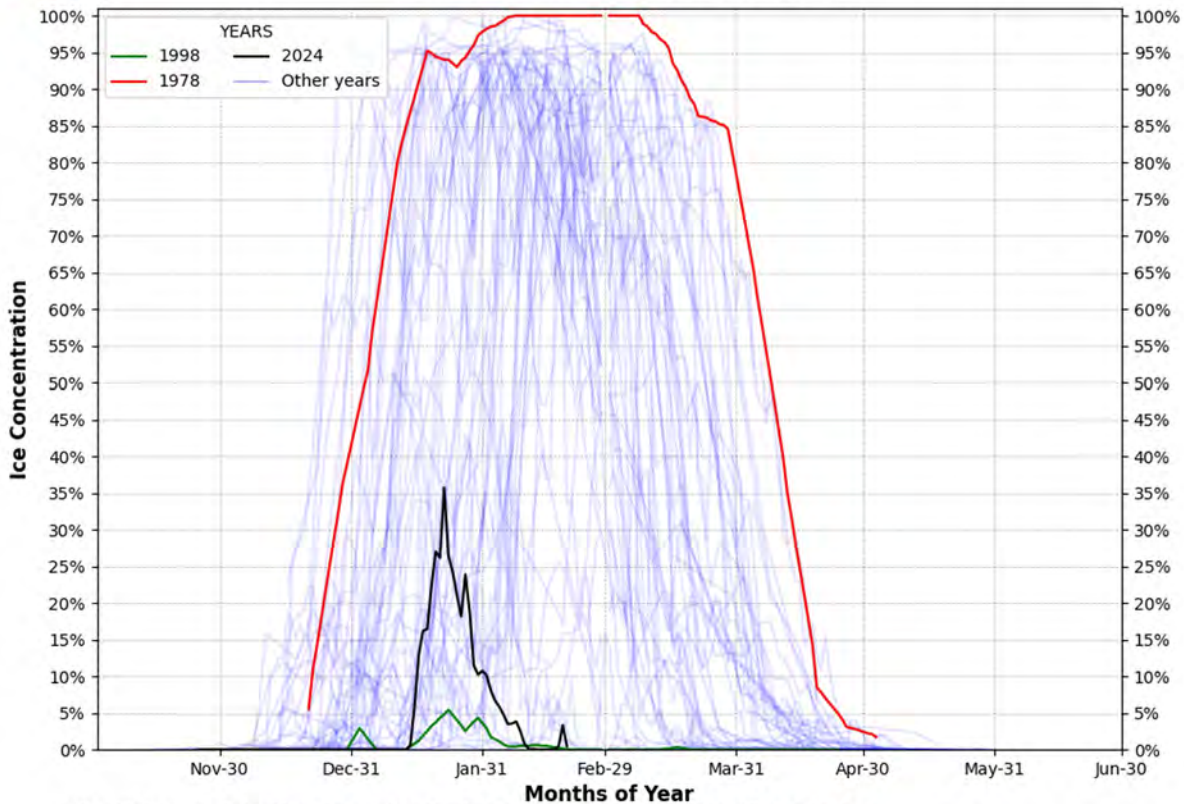
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## Lake Erie Average Ice Concentration (1973 - 2024)

- \* Maximum value on Feb-20 between 1973 and 2023
- \* Minimum value on Feb-20 between 1973 and 2023



Lake-wide ice cover derived from data produced by the U.S. National Ice Center and Canadian Ice Service

NOAA CoastWatch Great Lakes

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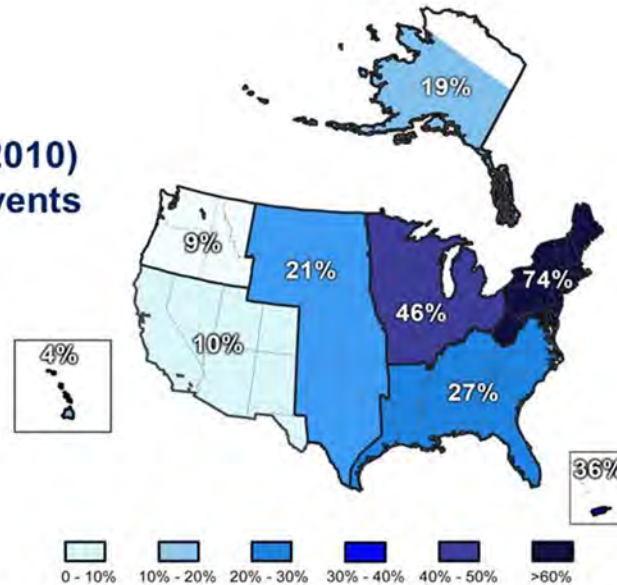




# Northeast Regional Trends

Regardless of Shifts in Total Annual Rain  
More of It Is Coming in Heavy Downpours

Percent Increase (1958-2010)  
in Heavy Precipitation Events  
(>2inch/48 hr)



- The Northeast U.S. leads the country with a 74% increase in heavy rain events over the past five decades
- Heavy downpours are increasing nationally, especially over the last three to five decades, with the largest increases in the Northeast
- Increases in extreme precipitation are projected for all U.S. regions
- All reasons to consider flood insurance **both inside and outside flood plains**

Sources: A. DeGaetano, Global Change.gov





# Great Lakes Future Scenarios

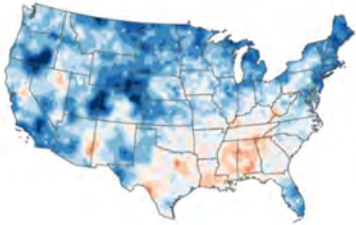
- More annual precipitation
  - Wetter winters, drier summers
  - Increases in sewage overflow, flood damage, erosion, transportation impacts
- Higher stratification in Great Lakes
  - Warmer surface waters
  - Increased lake effect precipitation
    - Initially will mean increased lake effect snowfall
  - More frequent and longer lasting algal blooms in the Great Lakes
    - Impacts to drinking water



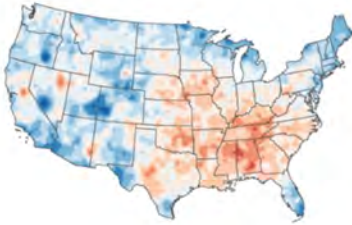
# Trend for 30 Year Normals is Decidedly Up

## U.S. ANNUAL TEMPERATURE COMPARED TO 20<sup>th</sup>-CENTURY AVERAGE

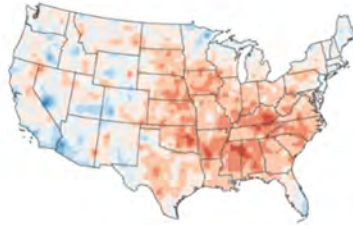
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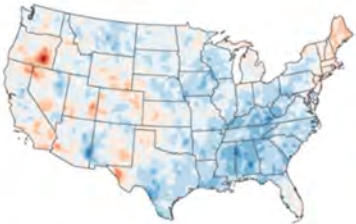
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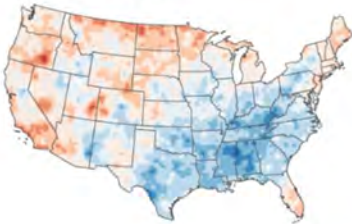
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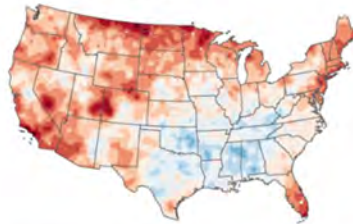
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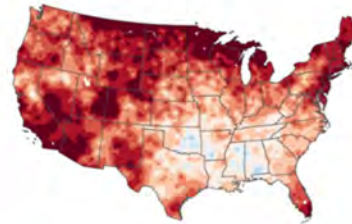
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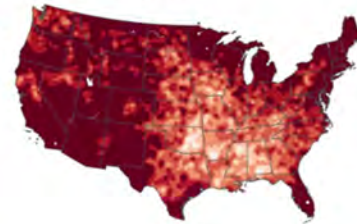
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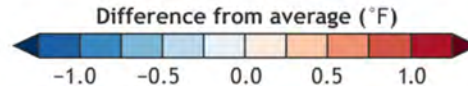
1981-2010



1991-2020



30-year Normal compared to 1901-2000



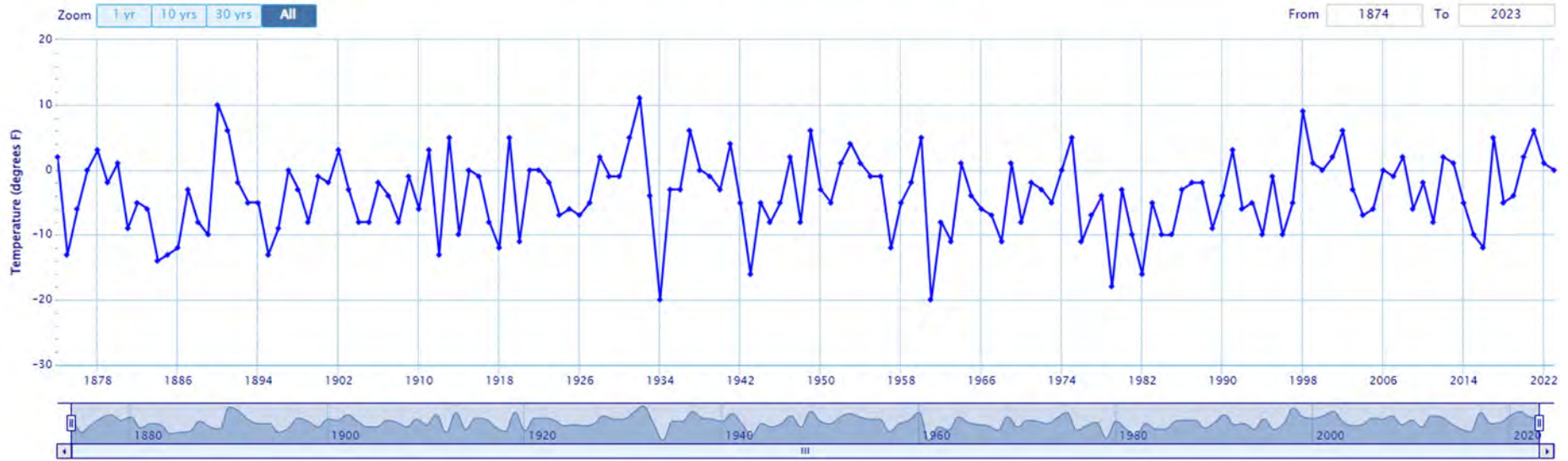
NOAA Climate.gov  
Data: NCEI



# Minimum Winter Temperature Trend

Lowest Min Temperature – Dec through Feb – Buffalo Area, NY (ThreadEx)

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# Mean Wintertime Temperature Trend

Mean Avg Temperature - Buffalo Area, NY (ThreadEx)

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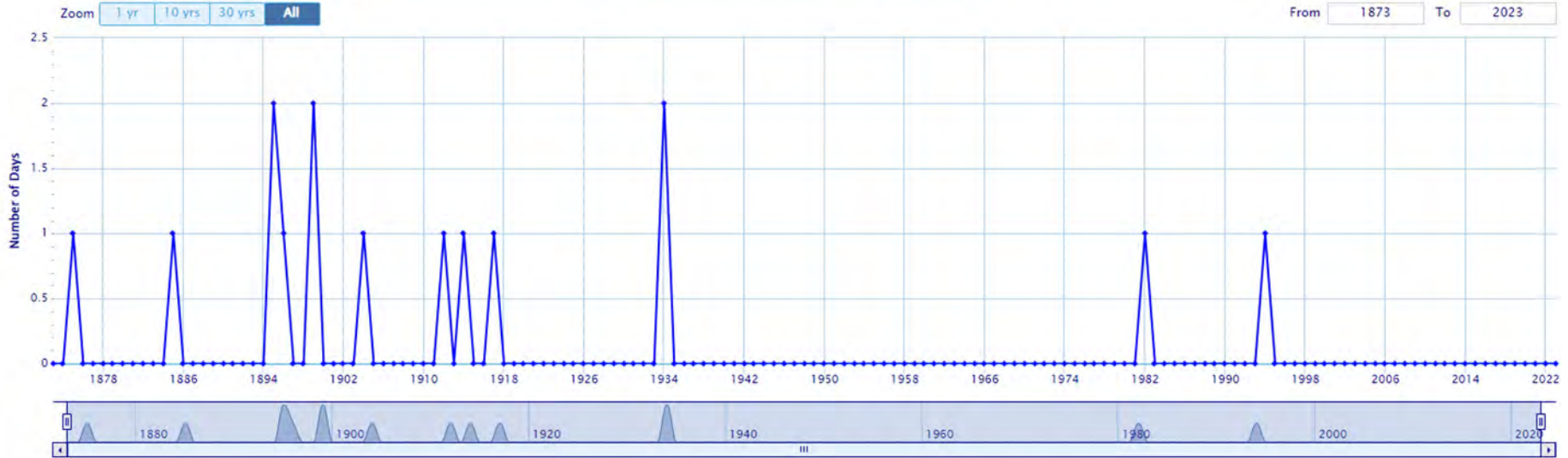




# Days with Max Temps Below 0 Degrees Per Year

Number of Days Max Temperature  $\leq 0$  - Jan through Dec - Buffalo Area, NY (ThreadEx)

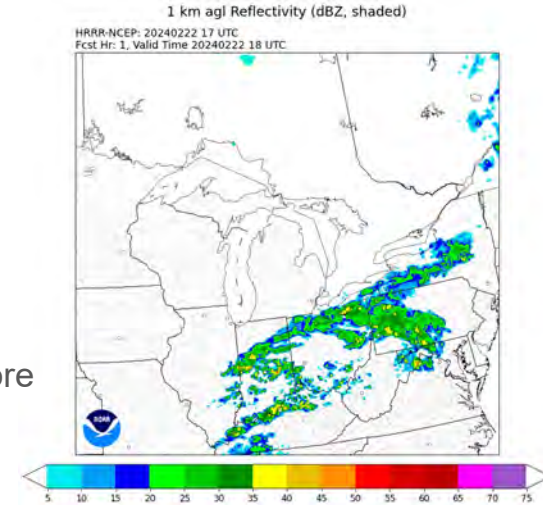
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## How Does the NWS Buffalo Handle This?

- Dynamical model solutions
  - Incorporate incredible amount of satellite input
  - Computational intensive
  - Run from 18 hours to 384 hours
- Artificial intelligence
  - Early indications show that it has good skill for events we've seen before
- Forecaster experience
- Watches/Warnings
- Coordination with emergency management, media, etc







## Local Difficulties in Forecasting

- Global model solutions can't resolve the Great Lakes very well
- Even higher resolution models have difficulty handling convective precipitation generated from the lakes
- Models don't incorporate evolving lake water temperatures
  - Change during the course of a run
  - Affect position of lake effect as well as the mode
- Competing with the firehose of bad information from "Facebook forecasters"
- Competing with convincing presentations of bad data



## Working Together and the Future

- Integrated flow of information from the NWS to governments and vice versa
- Learn decision points that matter
- Digesting uncertainty and where confidence in a forecast is strongest
- Community outreach and engagement
  - Social media
  - Spotter programs
  - Weather Ready Nation Ambassador Program
  - StormReady Designation



## Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador

- Partnership between NWS, public, and private sector to build community resilience.
- Free program where you commit to:
  - Setting an example by becoming “Weather-Ready” yourself (*e.g.*, making employee preparedness a priority & having a disaster plan)
  - Promoting Weather-Ready Nation messages in outreach activities
  - Providing incentives to your constituents and stakeholders to become more resilient
  - Sharing success stories with NOAA



**Link:** [weather.gov/wrn/ambassadors](https://www.weather.gov/wrn/ambassadors)





## StormReady Program

- Proactive approach to show your community is prepared for storms
- Meet basic criteria:
  - Establish a 24-hour warning point and Emergency Operations Center
  - Have more than one way to receive severe weather warnings and forecasts and to alert the public
  - Create a system that monitors weather conditions locally
  - Promote the importance of public readiness through community seminars
  - Develop a formal hazardous weather plan, which includes training severe weather spotters and holding emergency exercises.



Link: [weather.gov/stormready/](https://www.weather.gov/stormready/)



## New York StormReady

- Erie County
- Amherst
- Cheektowaga
- University at Buffalo
- Buffalo Bills





# Questions?

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<https://www.weather.gov/buf>



MARCH 2024



# 2024 ANNUAL PRESENTATION

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# TODAY'S AGENDA

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**01**

**ErieNet Mission**

**02**

**2023 Accomplishments**

**03**

**2024 Goals and Expectations**

**04**

**Dresher & Malecki Presentation  
of Annual Audit**

**05**

**2023 Investments**

**06**

**MIP ConnectAll Grant**





## ERIENET MISSION

Our mission is to create a foundation to address the broadband needs of unserved areas, improve services in underserved areas, and enable world-class broadband investment throughout Erie County.





# 2023 ACCOMPLISHMENTS



**January 2023**

Make Ready construction began

Appointed Supervisor  
Jason Keding

**March 2023**



Hired Executive Director, Melissa Hartman  
Fiber/Cable provider secured  
Contracted Construction Services - CLW



**April 2023**

Melissa Hartman started  
EN Logo created

**May 2023**



Website Launch  
Invested \$28 Million



**June 2023**

Hired Courtney Italia,  
Administrative Coordinator

First round of fiber was delivered  
& stored in Westfalls, NY

**August 2023**



**September 2023**

Moved into  
ErieNet  
Headquarters

Approved 2023 &  
2024 Budget

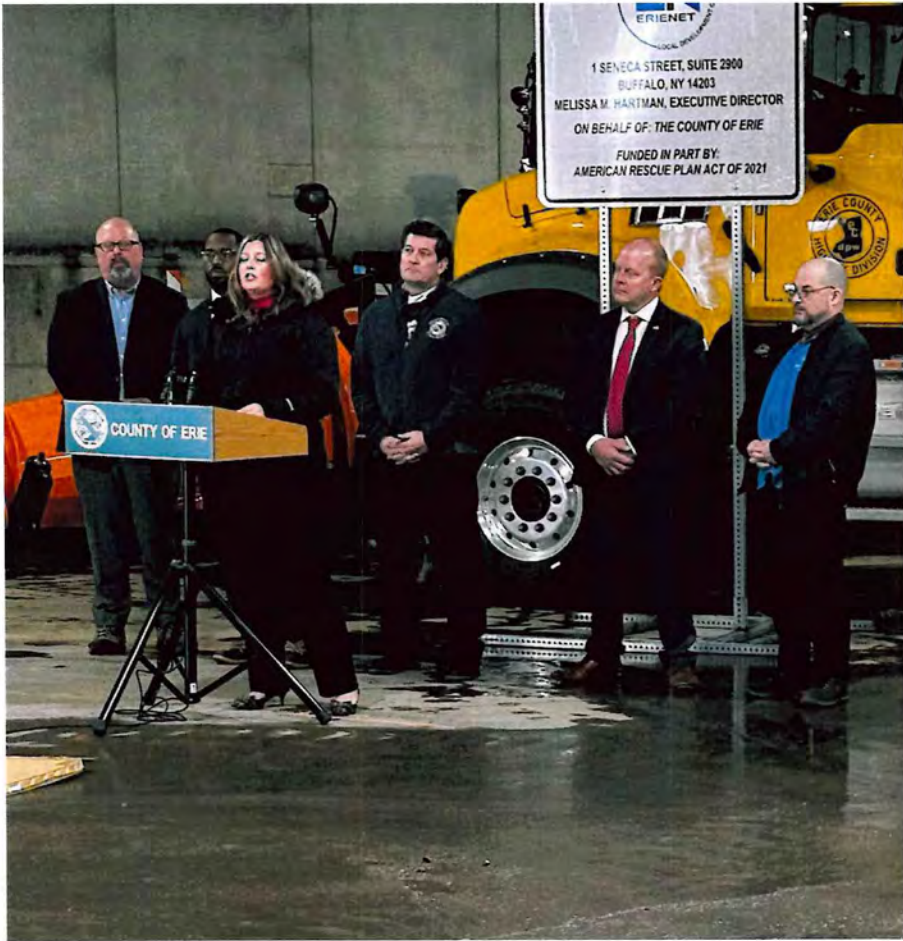
**October 2023**



**November 2023**

Started  
Underground  
Construction in  
Boston, NY











# 2024 GOALS



## **Investments**

Maximize investments to create stable future operational budget



## **Agreements**

Finalize municipal agreements (contingent on MIP Grant selection)



## **Outreach**

Continue outreach to Hospitals, Secondary & Higher Education



## **Agreements**

Continue assisting legislative process for Real Property Tax Exemption status



## **Construction Goals**

Construction should be fully engaged by June 2024

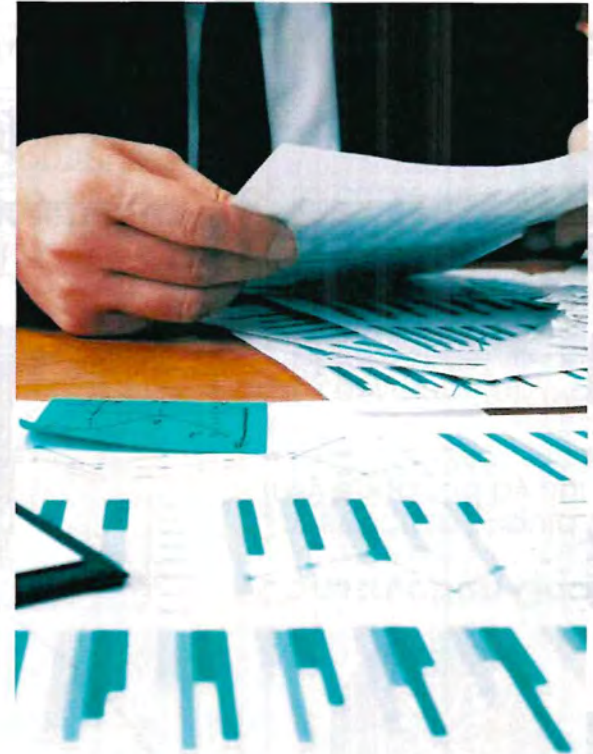
Rath building PoP (Point of Presence) to be complete by end of August 2024.

Goal of 10+ miles of fiber optic cable installed per week.



# Independent Auditors' Reports

(A Component Unit of the County of Erie, New York)  
Basic Financial Statements, Supplementary Information, Other  
Information, and Federal Awards Information  
for the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 and







# 2023 ERIENET INVESTMENTS



# ErieNet Investments

## MATURED INVESTMENTS

| TRADE DATE | MATURITY   | QUANTITY        | DESCRIPTION        | YEILD | COST           | INTEREST EARNED AT MATURITY |
|------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 6/29/2023  | 9/28/2023  | \$4,052,000.00  | U.S. TREASURY BILL | 5.28% | \$4,000,012.84 | \$51,987.16                 |
| 6/29/2023  | 12/28/2023 | \$10,268,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY BILL | 5.42% | \$9,999,032.5  | \$268,967.41                |

**INTEREST EARNED ON TREASURY BILLS THAT MATURED IN 2023 :  
\$320,954.57**

*ErieNet Investments*  
**TREASURIES MATURING IN 2024**

| TRADE DATE | MATURITY  | QUANTITY       | DESCRIPTION            | YEILD | COST           | MARKET VALUE AS OF<br>12-31-2023 | UNREALIZED<br>GAIN/LOSS AS OF<br>12-31-2023 |
|------------|-----------|----------------|------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 12/26/2024 | 1/16/2024 | \$2,274,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILL  | 5.25% | \$2,267,817.94 | \$2,269,356.49                   | \$1,538.55                                  |
| 12/26/2024 | 2/15/2024 | \$2,014,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILL  | 5.25% | \$1,999,937.25 | \$2,001,064.07                   | \$1,126.82                                  |
| 6/29/2023  | 3/21/2024 | \$7,271,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILL  | 5.31% | \$6,999,586.70 | \$7,188,103.32                   | \$188,516.62                                |
| 9/26/2023  | 3/28/2024 | \$4,161,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILL  | 5.45% | \$4,051,191.21 | \$4,109,307.89                   | \$58,116.68                                 |
| 12/26/2024 | 4/16/2024 | \$2,031,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILLS | 5.27% | \$1,999,319.22 | \$2,000,195.82                   | \$876.60                                    |
| 12/26/2024 | 5/16/2024 | \$2,040,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILLS | 5.21% | \$2,000,135.00 | \$2,000,832.00                   | \$697.00                                    |
| 6/29/2023  | 6/13/2024 | \$7,362,000.00 | U.S. TREASURY<br>BILLS | 5.36% | \$6,999,437.86 | \$7,192,997.92                   | \$193,560.06                                |





**CONNECTALL MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE  
PROGRAM GRANT**



# MIP GRANT BENEFITS



## **Economic Development**

Access to high-speed internet can spur economic development by attracting businesses, entrepreneurs, and investment to underserved areas, creating jobs and stimulating growth.



## **Affordability**

By offering broadband services at competitive rates, municipal networks can help lower the cost of internet access for residents and businesses, making it more affordable for low-income households.



## **Community Control**

Unlike private ISPs, municipal broadband networks are owned and operated by local governments, LDC's or public utilities, giving communities greater control over their internet infrastructure and ensuring that decisions are made in the best interests of residents.



## **Reliability and Speed**

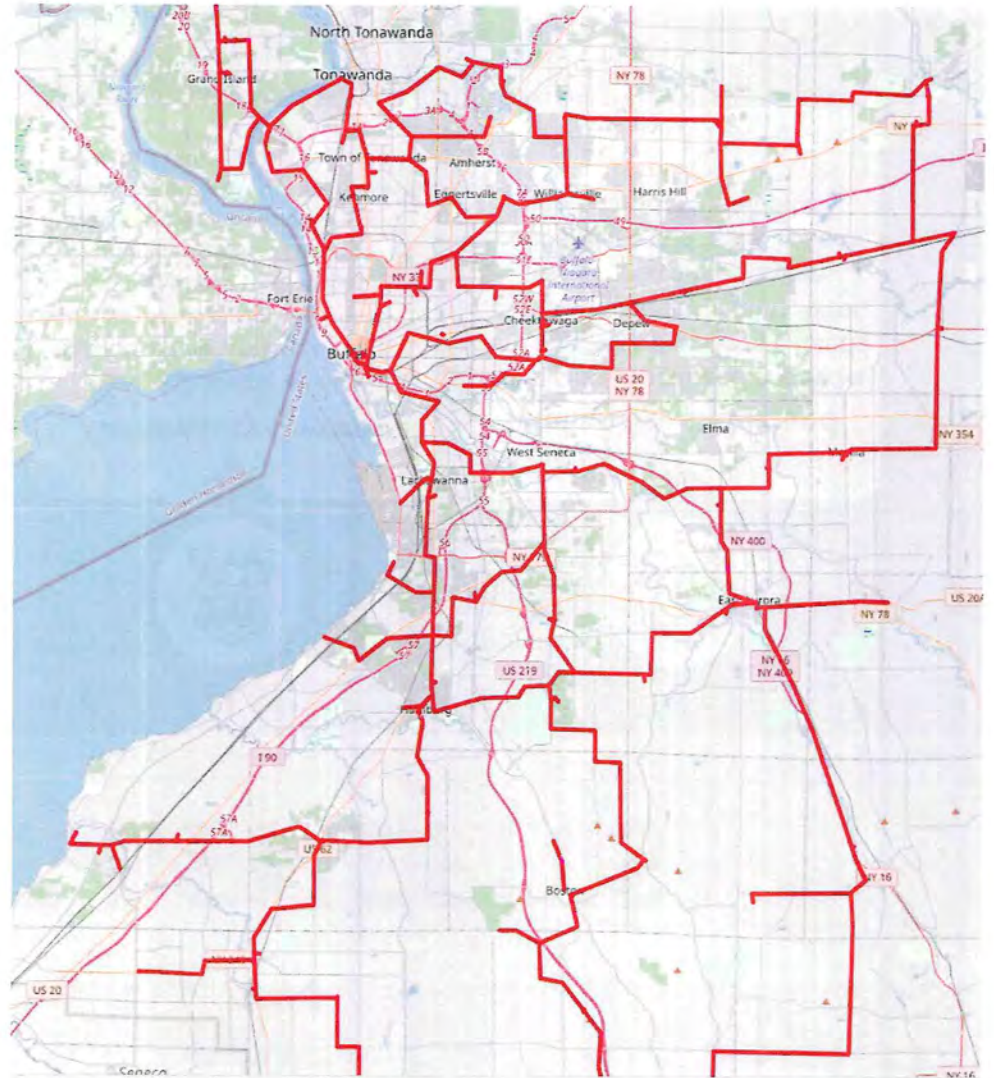
Municipal broadband networks are built with the specific needs of the community in mind, often resulting in more reliable connections and faster speeds compared to traditional providers



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# INITIAL BUILD

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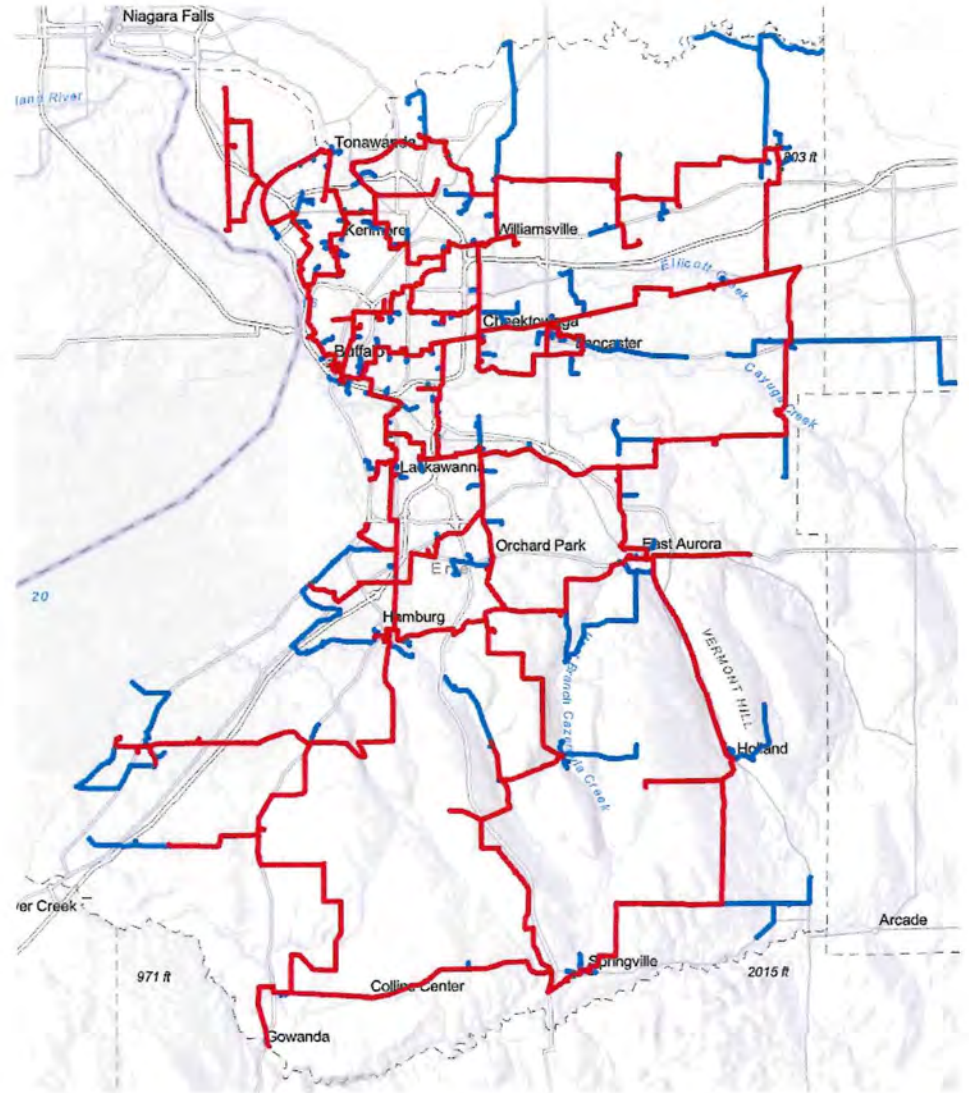




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## ADDITIONAL MIP BUILD

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# PROJECT MILESTONES



**OCTOBER 1, 2025**

Estimated Time to  
1st Connections



**DECEMBER 31, 2025**

50% of Project  
Complete



**JULY 1, 2026**

100% of Total  
Project  
Completed



# MIP GRANT ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COSTS

| MUNICIPALITY | TYPE           | LATERAL MILES | CONSTRUCTION COST | IRU          | LOCATIONS | TOTAL          |
|--------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| Erie County  | Parks          | 9.45          | \$691,573         | -            | 12        | \$691,573      |
| Buffalo      | City           | 19.26         | \$2,153,118       | \$192,600    | 48        | \$2,345,718    |
| BMHA         | Public Housing | 10.32         | \$1,113,087.13    | -            | 25        | \$1,113,087.13 |
| Lackawanna   | City           | 2.61          | \$201,666.53      | \$61,200.00  | 7         | \$262,866.53   |
| Tonawanda    | City           | 1.47          | \$135,282.41      | \$9,600.00   |           | \$144,882.41   |
| Boston       | Town           | 4.06          | \$297,636.09      | \$11,000.00  | 5         | \$308,636.09   |
| Amherst      | Town           | 13.77         | \$1,133,788.34    | \$106,100.00 | 21        | \$1,239,888.34 |
| Tonawanda    | Town           | 7.33          | \$853,430.61      | \$106,500.00 | 33        | \$959,930.61   |
| Aurora       | Town           | 9.77          | \$700,718.61      | \$32,060.00  | 8         | \$732,778.61   |
| Lancaster    | Town           | 9.17          | \$679,086.92      | \$38,000.00  | 10        | \$717,086.92   |
| Lancaster    | Village        | 0.6           | \$50,106.56       | \$3,855.66   | 2         | \$53,962.22    |
| Cheektowaga  | Town           | 5.9           | \$463,465.92      | \$49,483.33  | 14        | \$512,949.26   |
| Evans        | Town           | 11.71         | \$793,200.12      | \$33,000.00  | 8         | \$826,200.12   |
| Eden         | Town           | 0.93          | \$78,561.48       | \$13,600.00  | 4         | \$92,161.48    |
| Hamburg      | Town           | 16.12         | \$1,229,443.57    | \$131,545.75 | 14        | \$1,360,989.32 |
| Clarence     | Town           | 2.94          | \$237,880.63      | \$20,000.00  | 10        | \$257,880.63   |



| <b>MUNICIPALITY</b> | <b>TYPE</b> | <b>LATERAL MILES</b> | <b>CONSTRUCTION COST</b> | <b>IRU</b>  | <b>LOCATIONS</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
|---------------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------|------------------|--------------|
| Holland             | Town        | 4.68                 | \$375,217.12             | \$11,000.00 | 4                | \$386,217.12 |
| Colden              | Town        | 4.96                 | \$383,471.34             | \$11,800.00 | 6                | \$395,271.34 |
| East Aurora         | Village     | 0.80                 | \$68,290.41              | \$3,800.00  | 4                | \$72,090.41  |
| Collins             | Town        | 0.37                 | \$43,278.03              | \$1,600.00  | 4                | \$44,878.03  |
| North Collins       | Town        | 0.02                 | \$10,668.63              | \$8,200.00  | 4                | \$18,868.63  |
| West Seneca         | Town        | 4.23                 | \$353,548.50             | \$30,600.00 | 15               | \$384,148.50 |
| Wales               | Town        | 0.05                 | \$17,260.08              | \$17,400.00 | 3                | \$34,660.08  |
| Concord             | Town        | 1.35                 | \$119,342.77             | \$28,500.00 | 8                | \$147,842.77 |
| Alden               | Town        | 3.60                 | \$276,731.44             | \$21,200.00 | 4                | \$297,931.44 |
| Brant               | Town        | 1.77                 | \$140,230.48             | \$4,800.00  | 3                | \$145,030.48 |
| Springville         | Village     | 1.10                 | \$88,246.73              | \$5,115.15  | 5                | \$93,361.88  |
| Hamburg             | Village     | 0.43                 | \$47,058.41              | \$2,000.00  | 3                | \$49,058.41  |
| Depew               | Village     | 3.56                 | \$268,906.73             | \$15,200.00 | 7                | \$284,106.73 |
| Alden               | Village     | 0.49                 | \$38,716.04              | \$2,000.00  | 4                | \$40,716.04  |
| Angola              | Village     | 1.56                 | \$119,646.00             | \$3,949.24  | 3                | \$123,595.24 |
| Elma                | Town        | 4.07                 | \$302,408.45             | \$18,400.00 | 6                | \$320,808.45 |
| Sardinia            | Town        | 6.96                 | \$510,949.90             | \$10,000.00 | 4                | \$520,949.90 |



| MUNICIPALITY  | TYPE    | LATERAL MILES | CONSTRUCTION COST | IRU         | LOCATIONS | TOTAL        |
|---------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| Farnham       | Village | 2.15          | \$172,381.21      | \$4,400.00  | 1         | \$176,781.21 |
| Newstead      | Town    | 12.61         | \$918,047.59      | \$10,400.00 | 4         | \$928,447.59 |
| Williamsville | Village | 0.47          | \$38,265.76       | \$5,600.00  | 2         | \$43,865.76  |
| Marilla       | Town    | 2.05          | \$165,390.43      | \$11,200.00 | 1         | \$176,590.43 |
| Orchard Park  | Town    | 4.44          | \$334,887.50      | \$28,000.00 | 8         | \$362,887.50 |
| Sloan         | Village |               |                   |             | 1         |              |
| Kenmore       | Village |               |                   |             | 0         |              |
| Akron         | Village | 10.51         | \$774,247.16      | \$41,400.00 | 2         | \$815,647.16 |
| Grand Island  | Town    | 1.18          | \$90,340.76       | \$42,042.42 |           | \$132,383.18 |

**TOTAL MILES: 170**

**CONSTRUCTION COST: \$20,386,830.00**

**IRU COST: \$1,147,577.00**

**TOTAL: \$21,534,407**

**ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS: 327**



# LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Karen McMahon, NYS Assembly District 146

Monica Wallace, NYS Assembly District 143

Patrick Burke, NYS Assembly District 142

William Conrad III, NYS Assembly District 140

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq., Erie County Executive

Congressman, Nicholas A. Langworthy

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand

Senator Charles Shumer

Senator Patrick M. Gallivan

Senator Sean M. Ryan

Senator Timothy M. Kennedy

Howard Johnson, Erie County Legislator, District 1

April N.M. Baskins, Erie County Legislator, District 2

Michael H. Kooshoian, Erie County Legislator, District 3

Timothy Meyers, Erie County Legislator, District 7

John J. Mills, Erie County Legislator, District 11

Mayor Byron Brown, City of Buffalo

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Supervisor Jason Keding, Town of Boston

Supervisor Mark DeCarlo, Town of Brant

Supervisor Kenneth E. Martin, Town of Collins

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Supervisor Geoffrey W. Hack, Town of Holland

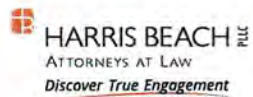
Supervisor Earl Gingerich, Town of Marilla

Supervisor Dawn D. Izydorczak, Town of Newstead

Supervisor John Tobia, Town of North Collins

Supervisor Joseph H. Emminger, Town of Tonawanda

Supervisor Gary Dickson, Town of West Seneca





**Town of Boston Comprehensive Plan  
Steering Committee Meeting  
March 18, 2024**

**Meeting Notes**

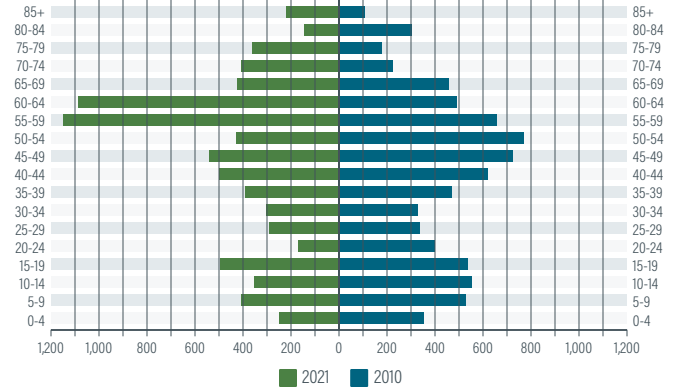
1. Attendees:
  - In-person: Brenna Reilly, Jason Keding, Molly Ventura, Jennifer Warren, Tony Rosati, Frank Gammel, Jessica Yuhas, Gary Stisser, Pamela Zylinski, Jay Jackson
  - Virtual: Allison Koczur, Karl Simmeth, Sarah Desjardins
2. Public Workshop #2
  - Will be held April 10, 2024, 6:30PM- 8:30PM, Community Room
  - Will be both virtual and recorded
  - Be prepared for community questions regarding solar, keep them on topic of the Comprehensive Plan- Have Jason open with quick synopsis, hand out ½-sheet comment cards.
3. Updated Community profile (attached in email)
4. Rails to Trails, reach out to GBNRTC- Using Hamburg as a case study. Can reach out for input on the Boston goals/recommended project.
5. Proposal to cancel April Steering Committee.
  - This time gives us the opportunity to work on the draft plan. Get more into the details and provide a more complete product for review.
  - We have over 600 voices to summarize, will be summarizing each group individually, as well as providing cross-analysis. We will assure you that there will not be any diluted outcomes.
  - Will be sending an update-email in lieu of the meeting.

# BY THE NUMBERS

## BOSTON, NY COMMUNITY PROFILE

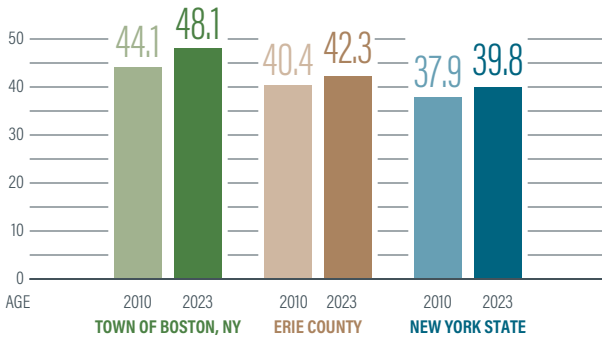
### AGE DISTRIBUTION

TOWN OF BOSTON, NY (2010 AND 2021)



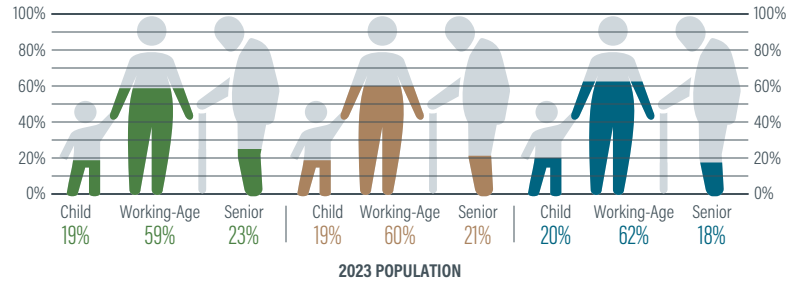
### MEDIAN AGE COMPARISON

2010 VS. 2023 (AGE IN YEARS)



### POPULATION BY AGE GROUP

(PERCENTAGE)

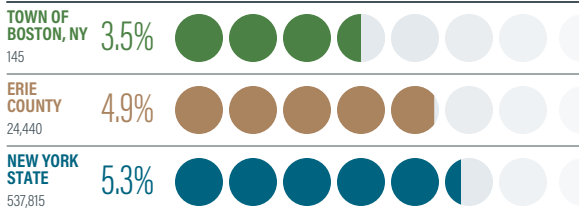


2023 POPULATION

■ TOWN OF BOSTON, NY ■ ERIE COUNTY ■ NEW YORK STATE

### 2023 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

2023 UNEMPLOYMENT POPULATION 16+ (PERCENTAGE)



### 2023 LABOR FORCE

16+ CIVILIAN POPULATION, TOWN OF BOSTON, NY

|                                      | Town of Boston | Erie County | New York State |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| CIVILIAN POPULATION/ LABOR FORCE     | 4,186          | 495,319     | 10,219,377     |
| UNEMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION (16+) | 145            | 24,440      | 537,815        |
| EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION (16+)   | 4,041          | 470,879     | 9,681,562      |

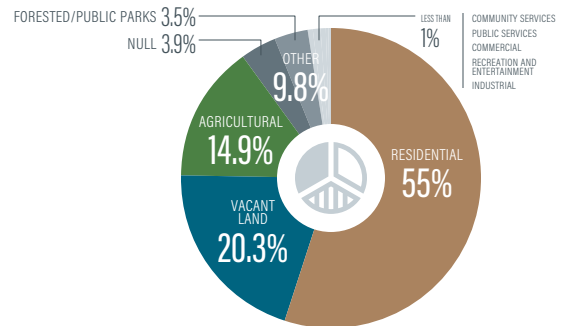
### HOUSING UNIT TOTALS

2010 VS. 2023

|                          | Town of Boston | Erie County | New York State |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| 2010 TOTAL HOUSING UNITS | 3,388          | 419,963     | 8,104,149      |
| 2023 TOTAL HOUSING UNITS | 3,574          | 445,598     | 8,599,146      |
| CHANGE OVER TIME         | ▲ 5%           | ▲ 6%        | ▲ 6%           |

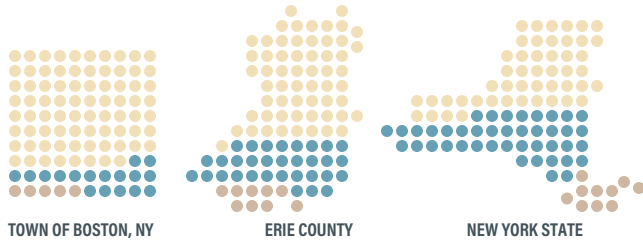
### PARCEL SUMMARY

TOWN OF BOSTON ACREAGE (PERCENTAGE)



## 2010 HOUSING UNIT TYPE SUMMARY

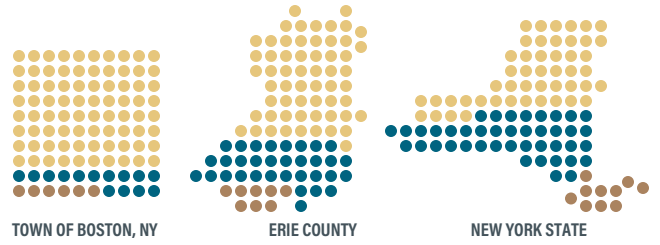
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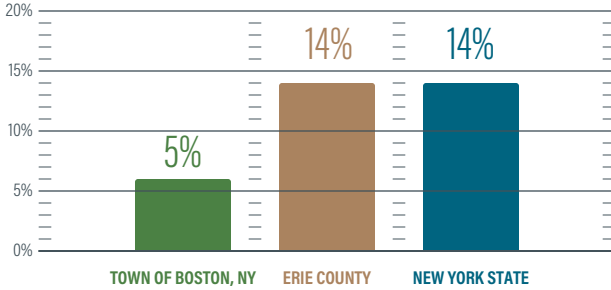
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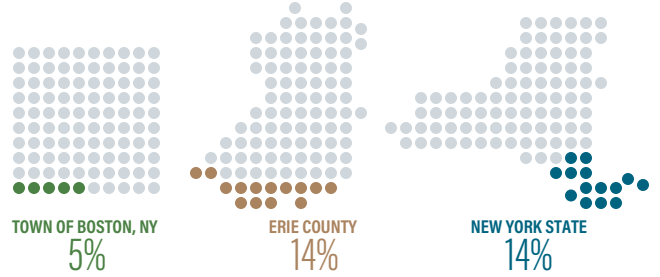
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TOWN OF BOSTON, NY (PERCENTAGE)



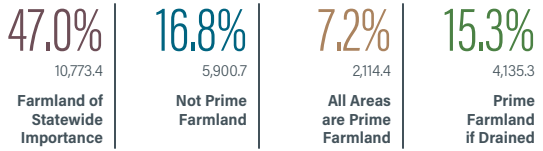
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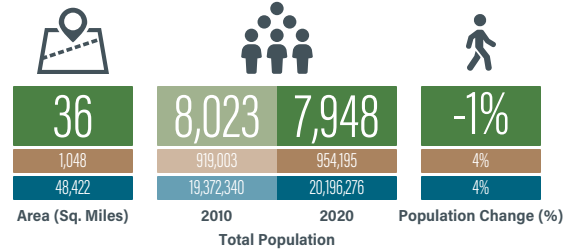


## FARMLAND SOILS

TOWN OF BOSTON, NY (PERCENTAGE/ACRES)



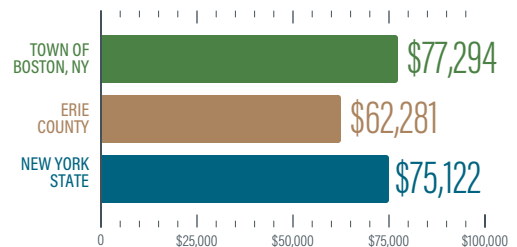
## POPULATION AND AREA



TOWN OF BOSTON, NY ERIE COUNTY NEW YORK STATE

## 2021 MEDIAN HH INCOME (ACS 5-YEAR)

TOWN OF BOSTON, NY (\$USD)



TOWN OF BOSTON, NY ERIE COUNTY NEW YORK STATE





# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

February 5, 2024

Dear Affirmative Action Officer:

Erie County passed a local Fair Housing Law on May 22, 2018. As the Elected Official and/or Affirmative Action Officer for your municipality, we are sending this letter to inform you of upcoming training opportunities on the new law. Details of the trainings are as follows:

Date: Friday, April 5th, 2024

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: Zoom Webinar

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUsd-6urDooGtPIpKsRVIp0sXCNcbn4rqhn>

Date: Thursday, April 18th, 2024

Time: 2 p.m.

Location: Zoom Webinar

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEkc-yppjoqHNHhxrD2ihdy32UgmcFxiWNG>

If you recently attended a Fair Housing training for your community, we still encourage you to attend one of these upcoming trainings to learn about the law and how it effects the community you serve. As you know, in order for **Erie County Consortium municipalities** to receive federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from our department for eligible community projects, the Affirmative Action Officer must attend at least one fair housing training session **every three years**. The training will be held through zoom. **Please use the above links for the session you plan on attending.**

It is important that you attend one of the trainings if you are a newly appointed officer or have not attended a training in three or more years. If this applies to you but you cannot attend either training listed above, please contact me to make other arrangements. If you no longer serve as an Affirmative Action Officer, please notify me so I can update our records.

Best Regards,

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Erie County | Environment & Planning  
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# Impact on Towns

## Funding

*AIM • Local Roads & Highway • Local Government Grant Funding*

### Article 7 Legislation

*Cannabis • Housing • COVID Sick Leave • Vacation Rental Sales Tax • Interest Rate on Judgments • Videoconferencing • Office of Flooding Prevention & Mitigation • RAPID Act • Dormitory Authority • Climate Smart Communities*

## FUNDING

### Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) Program

- Executive Budget Proposal: \$714.7 million
- Senate Proposal: \$924.7 million
- Assembly Proposal: \$814.7 million

### Local Roads & Highway Funding

| Funding Program                                  | Executive       | Senate          | Assembly       |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) | \$538.1 Million | + \$160 Million | + \$60 Million |
| Marchiselli                                      | \$39.1 Million  | No Adds         | No Adds        |
| PAVE-NY  | \$150 Million   | No Adds         | + \$60 Million |
| Pave our Potholes                                | \$100 Million   | No Adds         | No Adds        |
| Extreme Winter Recovery                          | \$100 Million   | + \$50 Million  | + \$50 Million |
| BridgeNY   | \$200 Million   | No Adds         | No Adds        |
| State Touring Routes                             | \$100 Million   | + \$90 Million  | + \$80 Million |

### Local Government Grant Funding

#### Countywide Shared Services Initiative (CWSSI)

- Executive Budget: \$9 million (increase of \$2 million) with proposed legislation to sunset the matching grant program
- Senate modifies Executive Budget legislative proposal so projects implemented before March 31, 2025 are eligible for matching funds
- Assembly modifies Executive Budget proposal so matching funds are available for plans approved and submitted by January 31, 2024

### Clean Water Infrastructure Funding

- Executive Budget: \$500 million over 2 years (\$250 million in one fiscal year)
- Senate: \$500 million in fiscal year
  - Senate also includes legislation creating a CHIPS-like dedicated water and sewer fund for municipalities funded at \$100 million
- Assembly: \$500 million in fiscal year

**Environmental Protection Fund (EPF)** - *The EPF provides support to critical projects that work to mitigate the effects of climate change, improve agricultural resources, protect water sources, advance conservation efforts, and provide recreational opportunities.*

- Executive Budget: \$400 million
- Senate: \$425 million
- Assembly: matches Executive Budget

### Regional Economic Development Councils (REDC)

- Executive Budget: \$225 million in grants (\$150 million) and tax credits (\$75 million)
- Senate: includes proposal requiring REDC recipients to maintain internship program for people between 18 and 24
- Assembly: matches Executive Budget

**Downtown Revitalization Initiative** - *Participating communities are nominated by the state's 10 REDCs based on the downtown's potential for transformation. Each winning community is awarded funding to develop a downtown strategic investment plan and implement key projects that advance the community's vision for revitalization.*

- Executive Budget: \$100 million
- Senate: matches Executive Budget
- Assembly: matches Executive Budget

**NY Forward** - *NY Forward is a program for rural and smaller*



communities' development and revitalization. Like the DRI program, NY Forward communities are selected in partnership with the REDCs.

- Executive Budget: \$100 million
- Senate: matches Executive Budget
- Assembly: matches Executive Budget

**Restore NY** - Restore New York Communities is a program that supports municipal efforts to demolish, deconstruct, rehabilitate, or reconstruct vacant, abandoned, condemned, or surplus properties.

- Executive Budget: \$50 million
- Senate: \$50 million but restricts money from being used to demolish housing
- Assembly: matches Executive Budget

## ARTICLE 7 LEGISLATION

### Unlicensed Sale of Cannabis (PPGG Part G)

- Executive Budget: Among other things, allows local governments to adopt local laws regarding closure orders, how to seize and destroy illegal cannabis, and allow them to receive penalty revenue related to any legal actions taken to curtail unlicensed sales. Towns that adopt local laws would be required to establish a local registry for all sales licenses in their community.
- Senate: Largely the same as the Executive Budget; adds language to make it easier for local governments to seek closing orders against illicit stores.
- Assembly: Intentionally omitted.

### Housing

- Executive Budget: Makes pro-housing certification a requirement in order to be eligible for funds such as the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI), the NY Forward program.
- Senate: Creates an optional incentive program for municipalities to legalize accessory dwelling units (ADUs). Towns that adopt a local law or have a local law allowing ADUs would be eligible for an increase in grant funding and AIM (ELFA Part SS). Includes a proposal to create an optional multifamily tax exemption for new construction and commercial conversions in municipalities outside of New York City (ELFA Part XX).
- Assembly: Codifies Pro-Housing Community Program where certified communities get priority in certain grant funding, does not make it mandatory (Part II).

### In Rem Foreclosure (Revenue Part N)

- Executive Budget: Any surplus from tax foreclosure

sales would be distributed to former owners and lienors associated with the property. Local governments would still receive any taxes and interest owed, along with related expenses. Tax districts would have six months from the effective date of the act to pay any surplus from tax-foreclosed property sales that took place between May 25, 2023 and the effective date of the act. For sales prior to May 25, 2023, the tax district would be liable to pay only the surplus where an Article 78 proceeding to compel the payment had been commenced within four months of the sale.

- Senate: The Senate version aligns with the governor's proposal, with additional directives that include requiring taxing districts to offer installment plans for the payment of taxes on a quarterly basis, changing the interest rates applicable to delinquent taxes to align with the federal prime rate, and requiring taxing jurisdictions to provide additional exemption eligibility notices, as well as pre-foreclosure notice and in-person pre-foreclosure settlement conferences.
- Assembly: Intentionally omitted.

### Sunset COVID-19 Sick Leave Law (ELFA Part M)

- Executive Budget: This proposal would end the requirement for employers to provide sick leave and other benefits to employees subject to a mandatory or precautionary order of quarantine or isolation from COVID-10, effective July 31, 2024.
- Senate: Modifies Executive Budget proposal to allow employees working in certain public health facilities eligible for leave.
- Assembly: Intentionally omitted.

### Sales Tax on Vacation Rentals (Revenue Part K)

- Executive Budget: This proposal would require vacation rental marketplace providers (like AirBnB or VRBO) to impose and collect state and local sales tax the same as traditional hotels, motels and bed and breakfast establishments.
- Senate: In addition to capturing short-term rentals within the state's taxation structure, the Senate proposal creates a statewide short-term rental registry and authorizes local governments to create their own short-term rental registry in the event that the locality wants to keep regulations local.
- Assembly: The Assembly proposal also creates a statewide short-term rental registry and captures all short-term rentals within the state's taxation structure. However, the Assembly proposal prohibits local governments from establishing their own short-term rental registry once the legislation is in effect.



### **Interest Rate on Judgments (PPGG Part R)**

- Executive Budget: Interest rates on court judgments or accrued claims against municipalities would change from a 9 percent fixed rate to a market rate equal to the weekly average one-year U.S. Treasury bill rate.
- Senate: Intentionally omitted.
- Assembly: Intentionally omitted.

### **Videoconferencing for Public Bodies (TED Part KK)**

- Executive Budget: Proposal would extend thru July 2026 the authority of public bodies to adopt local laws and policies allowing them to videoconference into meetings from locations not accessible to the public in “extraordinary circumstances.”
- Senate: Extends the use of extraordinary circumstances videoconferencing (ECV) through July 1, 2026 but includes some additional requirements for advisory bodies. Advisory bodies would need to have 25 percent of its members meet in person to use ECV.
- Assembly: Accepts Executive Budget.

### **Office of Flooding Prevention and Mitigation (New Senate Part RR)**

- This Senate proposal would create a new Office of Flooding Prevention and Mitigation to serve as a resource for the public entities, including municipalities, to address flooding. This proposal is similar to S3335-A/A132-A, which passed the Senate and is in Assembly Committee.

### **The RAPID Act (TED Part O)**

- Executive Budget: Proposes moving the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) from the Department of State to the Department of Public Service and to transfer the authority to site certain major electric transmission facilities from the Public Service Commission (PSC) to ORES. ORES will be renamed Office of Renewable Energy Siting and Electric Transmission. Establishes the same siting procedures for major electric transmission projects that are used for large-scale renewable energy projects. For more details, please contact AOT.
- Senate: Also transfers ORES from the Department of State to the Department of Public Service but does not exempt ORES or DPS from compliance with the SAPA requirements for the adoption of regulations. Also amends the governor’s proposed definition of a major renewable energy facility to include certain free-standing energy storage systems like battery storage facilities. In addition, requires ORES to consult with the Department of Agriculture and Markets when reviewing an application to site a major renewable energy facility or a major electric

transmission facility to ensure that “a critical mass of farmland within the designated region is not threatened and ensure that solar development shall not greatly hinder the amount of farmland within New York State or be a potential threat to New York’s food security.”

- Assembly: Similar to the governor’s proposal; proposes to move ORES from the Department of State to the Department of Public Service. Has similar provisions to the governor’s proposal but clarifies the language regarding municipal participation and separates the siting of major electric transmission facilities and major renewable energy facilities into different proposed statutory provisions.

### **Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) Omnibus State & Municipal Authorization for Certain Projects (TED Part U)**

- Executive Budget: The governor proposes to amend the Public Authorities Law to allow the NYS Dormitory Authority to provide its services to such municipalities receiving grants or loans under any of the following programs
    - New York State Environmental Bond Act of 2022;
    - American Rescue Plan Act of 2021;
    - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, and
    - Inflation Reduction Act of 2022;
    - Downtown Revitalization Program;
    - NY Forward grant program.
- In addition, Part U extends the Dormitory Authority’s authority to provide services for any municipal “building, structure, or improvement, including, without limitation, infrastructure improvements.”
- Senate: Intentionally omitted.
  - Assembly: Intentionally omitted.

### **Climate Smart Communities Grant Program (TED Part S)**

- Executive Budget: The governor proposes to authorize DEC to increase grants for the Climate Smart Communities program to 80 percent of project costs for qualifying applicants meeting financial hardship criteria or that are a disadvantaged community.
- Senate: Accepts Executive Budget proposal.
- Assembly: Modifies the governor’s budget proposal to expand the state assistance payment under the Climate Smart Community Grants Program by including a definition of “financial hardship,” which at a minimum shall include “low resident income, high unemployment, high commercial vacancy rates and depressed property values.”



# MEMORANDUM

COUNTY OF ERIE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

**TO:** ERIE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - CONSORTIUM  
**FROM:** PAUL J. D'ORLANDO, Principal Contract Monitor  
**DATE:** April 4, 2024  
**SUBJECT:** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT REPORT (Cumulative) - 04/01/23 - 3/22/2024

The Memorandum of Understanding between Consortium Communities and Erie County indicates that the Department of Environment and Planning will issue quarterly reports to the municipalities. This document represents the report for the fourth quarter of our 2023 Program Year that extends from April 1, 2023 to March 22, 2024.

The report lists those projects (excluding administration) that have been completed and funds drawn down during the reporting period.

In the event you have any questions concerning this memorandum, please contact me at 858-2194.

**A. COMMUNITY PROJECTS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, EMERGENCY SHELTER PROGRAMS, COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS (CHDO) AND HOMELESS PREVENTION AND RAPID RE-HOUSING**

1. First Quarter Completions - 4/01/23 - 6/30/23
2. Second Quarter Completions - 7/1/23-9/22/23
  - a.) Grand Island - Utility Improvements and installation of ADA accessible sidewalks
  - b.) Village of Gowanda - Smart Growth - Sidewalk Improvements
3. Third Quarter Completions - 9/23/23-12/31/23
  - a.) City of Tonawanda - Grant and Stark Street Improvements \$100,000.00
  - b.) Village of Springville - Franklin Street Water Replacement \$148,000.00
  - c.) Village of Depew - Sidewalk Replacement \$143,344.00
  - d.) Town of Newstead - Equipment for Akron/Newstead Senior Center \$25,000.00
  - e.) Village of Gowanda - Smart Growth- Sidewalk Improvements \$155,000.00
  - f.) City Of Tonawanda - Sidewalk Improvements \$150,000.00
  - g.) Village of Alden - Elm Street Reconstruction \$100,000.00
4. Fourth Quarter Completions - 1/1/2024-3/22/2024
  - a.)Town of West Seneca - Senior Center Safety Improvements \$31,500.00
  - b.) Town of West Seneca - Multi Street Paving \$150,000.00
  - c.) Town of Boston - Park Restroom / Pavilion \$100,000.00
  - d.) Town of Holland - Vermont Street Waterline Replacement \$150,000.00
  - e.) City of Tonawanda - Senior Center Safety Improvements \$28,450.00
  - f.) City of Lackawanna - Center Street Paving Complete Road Reconstruction \$100,000.00
  - g.) City of Lackawanna - Center Street Curbing \$100,000.00
  - h.) Town of Marilla - Senior Center Improvements \$35,045.00
  - i.) Town of Aurora - Senior Center Exterior Door Replacement & Led Light Upgrades \$95,190.00

**B. HOUSING (CDBG AND HOME PROGRAMS)**

*Individual Cases - See Attached Table for Municipal Breakdown (Cumulative)*

1. First Quarter Completed Cases = 17
2. Second Quarter Completed Cases = 22
3. Third Quarter Completed Cases = 17
4. Fourth Quarter Completed Cases = 30

## ATTACHMENT A

### Geographic Distribution of Investment

The following table lists by municipality the total number of households assisted, as defined by a completed case between April 1, 2023 and March 22, 2024. The table includes cases completed with either CDBG or HOME monies. It is non-CHDO projects.

| MUNICIPALITY                 | (UCE) UTILITY CONNECTION | (RCE, RCL, RHB, RHE, RHW, RCW, RCF) HOME-OWNER REHAB | (RCR) RENTAL REHAB | (MCE) MOBILE HOME | (FHE, FHW, FHB) FTHB - EXISTING | (LCE) LEAD | (ECE) EMERGENCY | (RA2) TARGETED REHAB | (HCE) REHAB - HANDICAPPED | TOTALS |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------|
| Akron                        |                          |  |                    | 4                 |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 4      |
| Alden (T)                    |                          |  |                    | 2                 |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 2      |
| Alden (V)                    |                          |  |                    | 1                 |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 1      |
| Angola                       |                          |  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 0      |
| Aurora                       |                          |  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 0      |
| Blasdell                     |                          | 3  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 3      |
| Boston                       |                          |  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 0      |
| Brant                        |                          | 1  |                    |                   |                                 |            | 2               |                      |                           | 3      |
| Clarence                     |                          |  |                    | 3                 |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 3      |
| Colden                       |                          | 1  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 1      |
| Collins                      |                          |  |                    | 1                 |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 1      |
| Concord                      |                          | 1  |                    |                   |                                 |            | 1               |                      |                           | 2      |
| Depew<br>(Lancaster portion) |                          | 1  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 1      |
| East Aurora                  |                          |  |                    | 1                 |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 1      |
| Eden                         |                          |  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 0      |
| Elma                         |                          |  |                    |                   |                                 |            |                 |                      |                           | 0      |
| Evans                        |                          | 9  |                    | 5                 |                                 |            | 2               |                      |                           | 16     |



## ATTACHMENT A

| MUNICIPALITY      | (UCE) UTILITY CONNECTION | (RCE, RCL, RHB, RHE, RHW, RCW, RCF) HOME-OWNER REHAB | (RCR) RENTAL REHAB | (MCE) MOBILE HOME | (FHE, FHW, FHB) FT HB - EXISTING | (LCE) LEAD | (ECE) EMERGENCY | (RA2) TARGETED REHAB | (HCE) REHAB - HANDICAPPED | TOTALS    |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Farnham           |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Gowanda           |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            | 2               |                      |                           | 2         |
| Grand Island      |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Hamburg (T)       |                          | 2  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 2         |
| Hamburg (V)       |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Holland           |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Lackawanna        |                          | 2  | 1                  | 7                 |                                  | 2          |                 |                      |                           | 12        |
| Lancaster (T)     |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Lancaster (V)     |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Marilla           |                          |  |                    | 4                 |                                  |            | 1               |                      |                           | 5         |
| Newstead          |                          |  |                    | 1                 |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 1         |
| North Collins (T) |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| North Collins (V) |                          | 2  | 1                  |                   |                                  |            | 3               |                      |                           | 6         |
| Orchard Park (T)  |                          | 1  |                    |                   |                                  |            | 1               |                      |                           | 2         |
| Orchard Park (V)  |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Sardinia          |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| Springville       |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  | 2          |                 |                      |                           | 2         |
| Tonawanda (C)     |                          | 6  |                    |                   |                                  |            | 3               |                      | 1                         | 10        |
| Wales             |                          |  |                    |                   |                                  |            |                 |                      |                           | 0         |
| West Seneca       | 1                        | 3  |                    | 1                 |                                  | 1          |                 |                      |                           | 6         |
| <b>TOTALS:</b>    | <b>1</b>                 | <b>32</b>  | <b>2</b>           | <b>30</b>         | <b>0</b>                         | <b>5</b>   | <b>15</b>       | <b>0</b>             | <b>1</b>                  | <b>86</b> |



# BOSTON NEW YORK FIRE COMPANY

Boston Fire Company  
PO Box 357 Boston NY,  
14025

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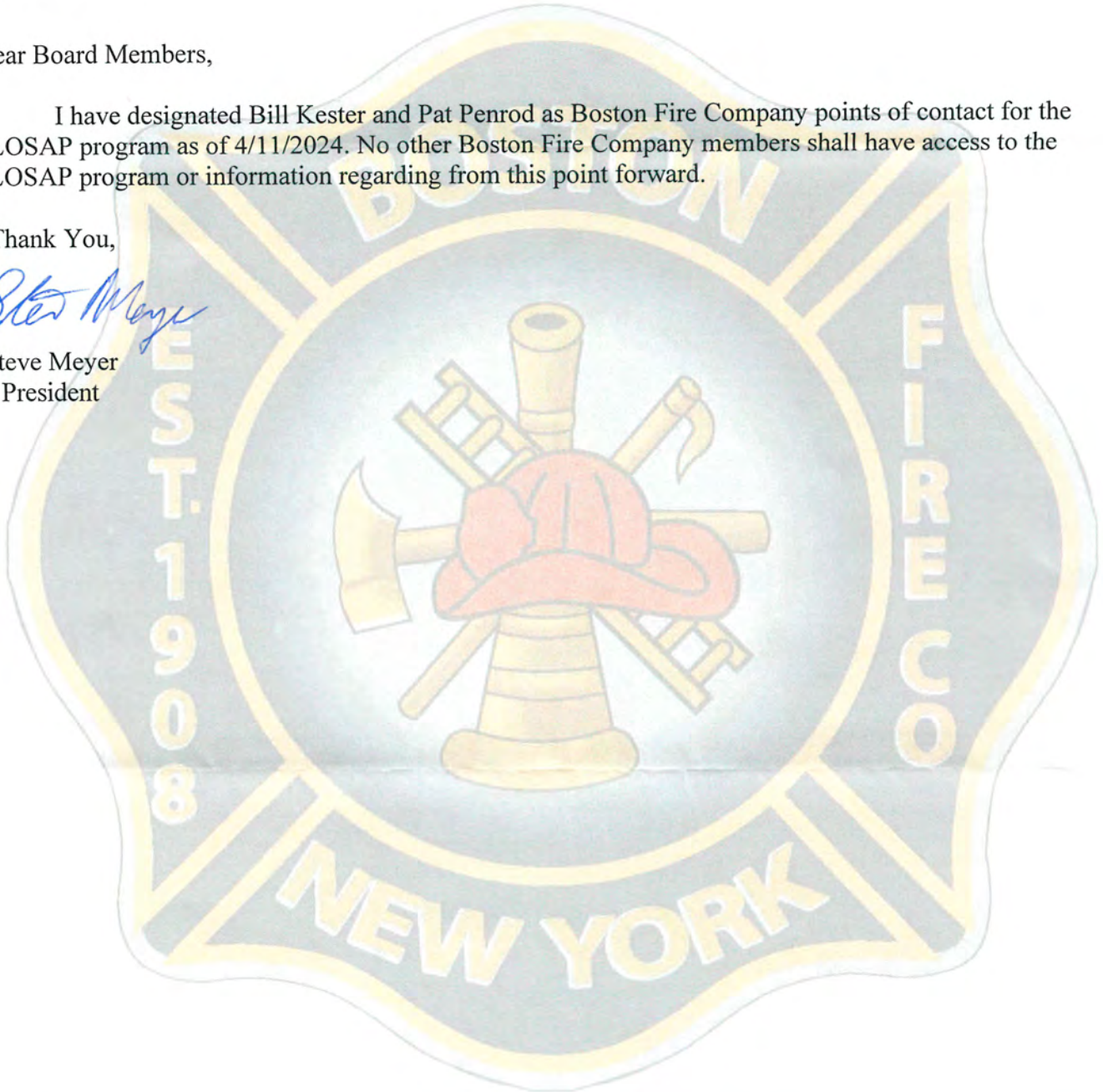
4/11/2024

Dear Board Members,

I have designated Bill Kester and Pat Penrod as Boston Fire Company points of contact for the LOSAP program as of 4/11/2024. No other Boston Fire Company members shall have access to the LOSAP program or information regarding from this point forward.

Thank You,

Steve Meyer  
President



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**TOWN OF BOSTON – RESOLUTION NO. 2024-27**

**AUTHORIZING PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION  
POLLING PLACE LEASE AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Erie County Board of Elections has requested to use Boston Town Hall as a poll location for the April 2, 2024 and June 25, 2024 primary elections and the November 5, 2024 general election, and has offered the Town \$100 per election to lease the required space; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board previously authorized a lease agreement with the Erie County Board of Elections for the purpose of early voting, hosting a polling location is a convenience to Town residents, and conflicts with other groups using the space at issue, if any, are anticipated amicably to be resolved;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign a lease agreement with the Erie County Board of Elections for Boston Town Hall to serve as a poll location on April 2, June 25, and November 5, 2024 in exchange for a payment totaling \$300.

On April 17, 2024, the question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                          | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| Councilmember Cartechine | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Councilmember Lucachik   | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Councilmember Martin     | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Councilmember Selby      | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Supervisor Keding        | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |

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**Sandra L. Quinlan, Town Clerk**



## POLLING LOCATION LEASE AGREEMENT



### CITY/TOWN & DISTRICTS

This agreement made on the April 17, 2024, by and between the **TOWN OF BOSTON**, hereinafter known and referred to as the **OWNER**, and the Board of Elections for the County of Erie, hereinafter referred to as the **TENANT**.

**Witnesseth** that said OWNER has agreed to let, and by these presents, does hereby grant, demise and let unto the said TENANT the following described premises:

CITY/TOWN DISTRICT(S): **BOST 003, 006**  
LOCATION: **BOSTON TOWN HALL**  
ADDRESS: **8500 Boston State Road, Boston, NY 14025**

The area to be leased is a room or location that has been pre-approved by the Board of Elections within the building suitable for registration and voting and which is as close as possible to a convenient entrance to such building that provides access, by ramp or otherwise, to physically disabled voters.

PRIMARY CONTACT: Jason Keding

PHONE NUMBER: 941-6518

EMAIL: [supervisor@townofboston.com](mailto:supervisor@townofboston.com)

DELIVERY CONTACT: Shawn Vanderdoes

PHONE NUMBER: 860-4659

EMAIL: [facilities@townofboston.com](mailto:facilities@townofboston.com)

BUILDING OPENER: Shawn Vanderdoes

CELL PHONE NUMBER: 716-860-4659

EMAIL: [facilities@townofboston.com](mailto:facilities@townofboston.com)

As a place to hold official voter registrations and conduct elections in accordance with the provisions of the New York State Election Law on the dates listed below:

**PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION: TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024**

**PRIMARY ELECTION: TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2024**

**GENERAL ELECTION: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024**

The TENANT agrees to pay the OWNER **\$100** for each election listed above for the use of **8500 Boston State Road, Boston, NY 14025**.

The TENANT is to have uninterrupted use and possession of the leased area on each said date from 5:30 am, being one-half hour prior to the opening of the polls until 9:30 pm, being one-half hour after the closing of the polls or until the inspectors have completed their work, whichever shall be later.

In the event an election is delayed or continues as a result of a common disaster to another date, the OWNER agrees to make available the leased area to the TENANT on said subsequent date.

The OWNER hereby agrees to open the building for delivery and pick up of the voting machine(s) on a date mutually agreed to by the parties, between the third and sixth day prior to the election and between the first and fourth day following the election.

The OWNER hereby promises, covenants and acknowledges as follows:

- A. To furnish necessary light, heat, and if available, cooling, to the leased area;
- B. To provide and set up twelve chairs and four tables no less than 48" in length for each machine delivered to the leased area;
- C. To ensure that the leased area is accessible to the public during the times heretofore specified and that the doors are opened;
- D. That there is a functional restroom facility available for use by employees of the TENANT during said day; and
- E. That political contributions by the OWNERS of a polling place are prohibited and that it is a misdemeanor for such OWNER to make, offer or promise any such political contribution as an inducement for the leasing of these premises.

The TENANT hereby promises, covenants and acknowledges as follows:

- A. Not to use said premises, or any part thereof, for any purpose other than the official voter registration and election functions;
- B. Not to let or sign over said premises, or any part thereof, to another without the prior written consent of the OWNER;
- C. To punctually pay said rent as the same accrues; and
- D. To take special care that no damage happens to the building, or any improvements or fixtures therein.

A breach of any promise or covenant made by the TENANT shall be reported by the OWNER to the commissioners of the Erie County Board of Elections as soon as practicable. If any damage shall occur to the leased premises as a result of the negligence by the TENANT or any of its agents or employees, the TENANT hereby agrees to cooperate with the OWNER in filing a claim for damages with the County of Erie. The County does not assume liability for the OWNER's obligation to maintain and operate the property, building, premises and ingress/egress thereto in a safe condition. Any reported incident related to election operations will be investigated and evaluated by Erie County in cooperation with the lessor.

The commissioners of the Board of Elections, no later than four weeks following the receipt of the fully executed lease agreement and the conclusion of the election, shall transmit to the Erie County Comptroller a voucher, in the form required by said comptroller, requesting prompt payment of the rental due to the OWNER in the amount stated above.

In the event that following the execution of this lease agreement, the premises shall become damaged, restricted, or placed under repair to such an extent that the leased area is no longer suitable for the conduct of voter registration and election, the TENANT shall have the right to terminate this lease agreement.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have affixed their hands and seals the day and year first above mentioned.

ERIE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

OWNER: TOWN OF BOSTON

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ralph M. Mohr, Commissioner of Elections

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeremy J. Zellner, Commissioner of Elections

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**TOWN OF BOSTON – RESOLUTION NO. 2024-28**

**ACCEPTING COMMENTS OF CPL ENGINEERING AND KNAUF SHAW ON THE LARGE-SCALE SOLAR PROJECT AND DIRECTING KNAUF SHAW TO ISSUE THE COMMENTS TO THE PROJECT APPLICANT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Boston has received applications for zoning variances, a special use permit, and site plan review from NY Boston II, LLC, an entity associated with Delaware River Solar, related to the development of a 3.6-megawatt solar facility at 7832 Feddick Road, the first proposed large-scale solar development in the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has classified the solar project as a SEQR Type I action and declared its intent to serve as lead agency, with no other agency seeking lead agency status; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has engaged special counsel Knauf Shaw LLP and Town Engineer CPL to review the project application and the SEQR form submitted by the applicant in advance of issuing a declaration regarding the project’s potential impacts on the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the engineer and special counsel have completed their initial review and prepared initial comments on the applicant’s submissions (the “CPL Comments” and “Knauf Shaw Comments” respectively), which are annexed hereto, each of which provide recommendations for additional submittals from the applicant prior to issuing a SEQR declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, the recommendations included in the Knauf Shaw Comments also incorporate comments received on the application from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Erie County Department of Environment and Planning, and Erie County; and

**WHEREAS**, the engineer and special counsel have each reserved the opportunity to review and comment on any additional submittals provided by the applicant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board has had the opportunity to review and discuss the CPL Comments and Knauf Shaw Comments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Boston hereby accepts the CPL Comments and Knauf Shaw Comments and the recommendations contained therein; and

**RESOLVED**, that, on behalf of the Town Board, the Town Board directs Knauf Shaw to issue the CPL Comments and Knauf Shaw Comments to the applicant and request a response from the applicant accordingly.



On April 17 2024, the question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                          | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
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**Sandra L. Quinlan, Town Clerk**

# Appointment of Board of Assessment Review Members

Schedule Public  
Hearing on Fill Permit  
Application for Matt  
Kolodziejczak  
7008 Omphalius Road





## Town of Boston Fill Permit Application

The completed Fill Permit Application must be submitted to the Town of Boston Town Clerk, Sandra Quinlan by e-mail [townclerk@townofboston.com](mailto:townclerk@townofboston.com) or by mail 8500 Boston State Road, Boston, New York 14025. An application is not complete until the permit fee is paid.

Applications for fill permits shall be acted on by the Town Board after a public hearing. Notice of such public hearing shall be published in the official newspaper of the Town of Boston at least five days prior to the date thereof, and the Town Clerk shall mail a letter to adjacent property owners advising them of the application and giving them notice of the hearing and the deadline to file an objection or comment regarding the application with the Town Clerk.

The only type of fill that will be allowed is brick, stone, concrete, asphalt, and clean soil. Property owner is responsible for cleaning the road after fill is brought in. No overweight trucks are permitted on road for fill delivery.

All fill permits expire on December 31 of the calendar year in which they are issued. Renewal of permits shall require re-application.

If you have any questions, please contact the Code Enforcement Office at the Boston Town Hall, (716) 941-6113 ext. 111.

Date: 3/4/24

### Instructions

APPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE to the Town of Boston for the issuance of a permit to dump fill pursuant to the Ordinance Laws of the Town of Boston, Erie County, New York, prohibiting and/or regulating the use of lands within the Town of Boston as a sanitary land fill or dumping grounds which regulate the excavation, removal or storage of earth, sand, gravel, rock, topsoil, minerals or other similar material. The applicant agrees to abide with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and terms of this application if granted.

1. Name of Applicant: Matt Kolodziejczak Phone #: (716) 260-0039

**Town of Boston**  
8500 Boston State Road  
Phone (716) 941-6113 • Fax (716) 941-6116  
[www.townofboston.com](http://www.townofboston.com)



Town of Boston Fill  
Permit Application

2. Address: 7008 Omphalius Rd Colden
3. Name of owner of property  
(if different from applicant): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Address of owner of property: 7008 Omphalius Rd Colden
5. Location of property, including tax parcel number where fill is desired to be placed:  
7008 Omphalius Rd Colden NY 14033 1762326
6. Where is the fill coming from? LOCAL TOWNS SURROUNDING BOSTON
7. The location of all roads, streets, highways, waterways, streams, and ponds within 100 feet  
of the place where the fill is desired to be placed:  
Pond south of fill area - fill is up against  
South end of pond
8. The names and addresses of abutting property owners  
Carol Brownschidle 6878 Omphalius Rd  
Linda O'Connor 7021 Omphalius Rd  
Debra Lucile 7091 Omphalius Rd  
Jaspal Walia 7900 Eddy Rd
9. The purpose for which the fill is desired:  
ENHANCE PROPERTY FOR RECREATIONAL USE
10. The approximate amount of fill required (cubic yards): 400

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# Town of Boston Fill Permit Application

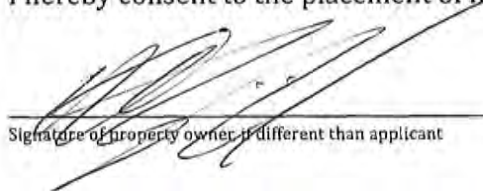
11. The approximate average depth of the area to be filled: 3-4ft
12. Enumerate with particularity the type of fill to be used: CLAY
13. The length of time required to place said fill on the property: yearly
14. The Time when said fill operations are intended to commence: NOW
15. The time when said fill operations are intended to be completed: \_\_\_\_\_
16. If the fill exceeds 2,500 cubic yards, detail the drainage systems to be installed to ensure proper surface drainage during and after completion of the work:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Applicant

3/4/24  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

I hereby consent to the placement of fill on my property in accordance with the above application.

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of property owner, if different than applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

DATE: 3/15/2024 ch# 1156 \$150

Received by Town Clerk

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by Highway Department

### Site Plan

- |  |     |    |
|--|-----|----|
| 1. Has fill/dirt material been brought to the property?      | YES | NO |
| 2. Has the fill/dirt material been spread or fill work done? | YES | NO |
| 3. Have you received a violation notice?                     | YES | NO |

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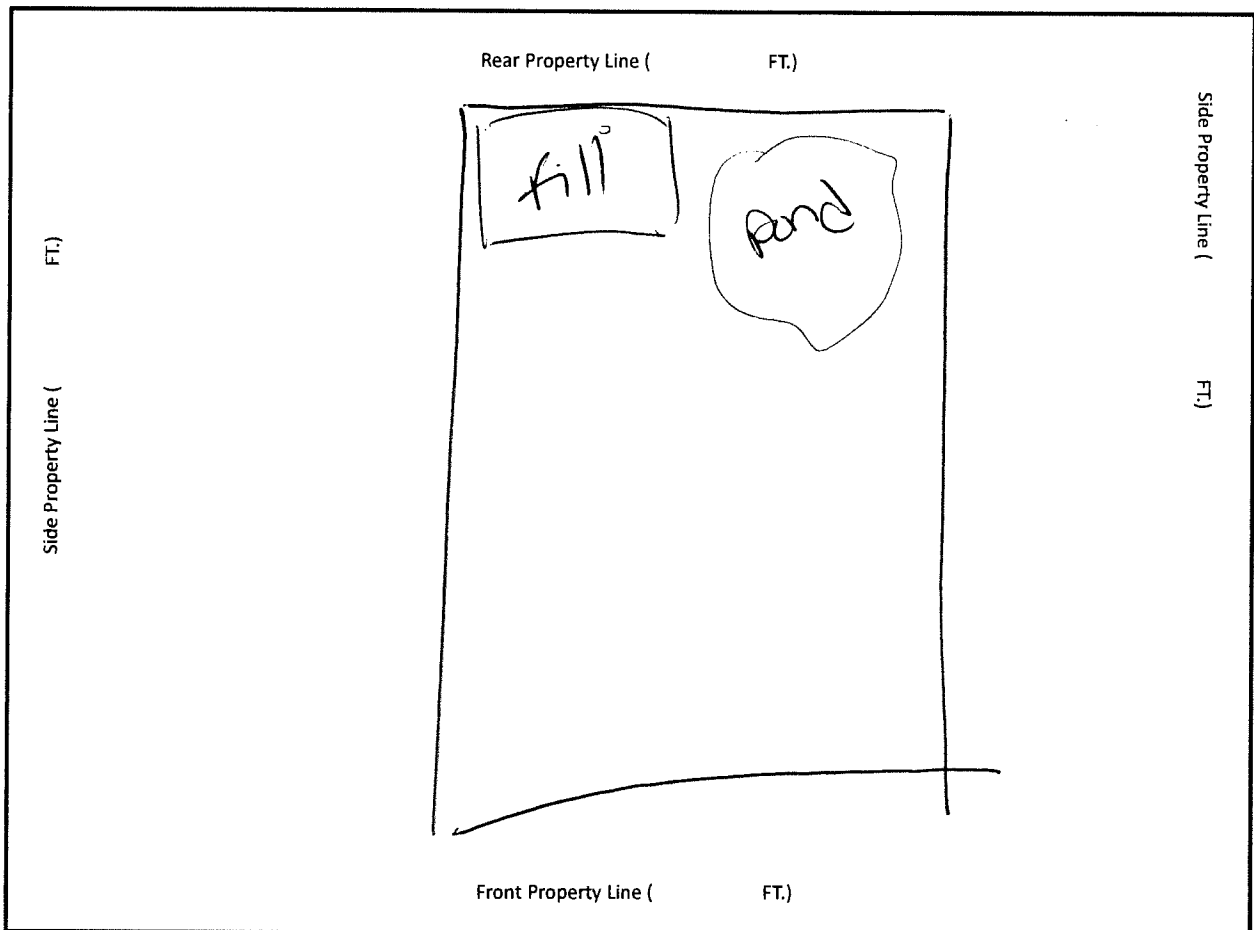


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To be completed by Applicant. Use separate site plan or survey if drawing area is not sufficient. Approved site plan must be posted at job site location.

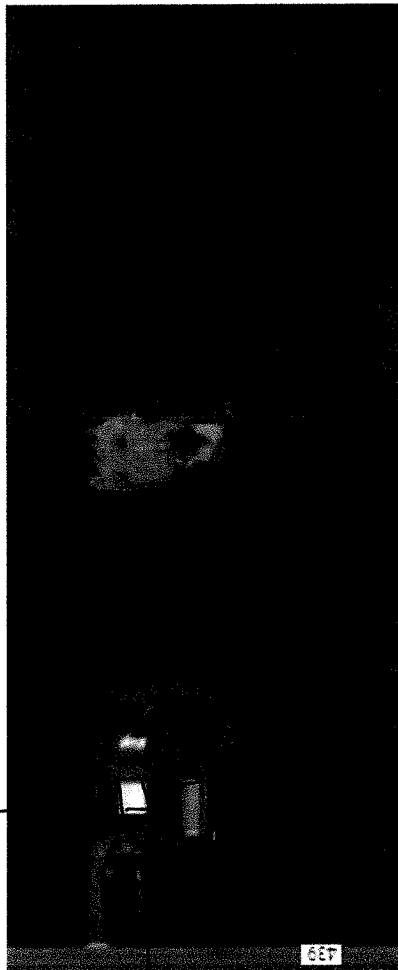
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fill 3ft-4ft

Pond

Barn

shop

House

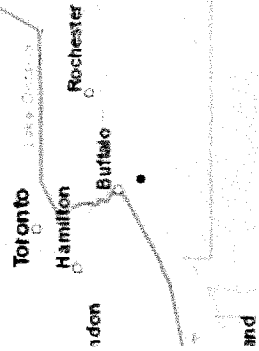


# Erie County On-Line Mapping Application



## Legend

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**ERIE COUNTY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING**  
**OFFICE OF GIS**

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1: 4,514





Schedule Public  
Hearing on Fill Permit  
Application for Matt  
Kolodziejczak  
7631 Zimmerman Road



## Town of Boston Fill Permit Application

The completed Fill Permit Application must be submitted to the Town of Boston Town Clerk, Sandra Quinlan by e-mail [townclerk@townofboston.com](mailto:townclerk@townofboston.com) or by mail 8500 Boston State Road, Boston, New York 14025. An application is not complete until the permit fee is paid.

Applications for fill permits shall be acted on by the Town Board after a public hearing. Notice of such public hearing shall be published in the official newspaper of the Town of Boston at least five days prior to the date thereof, and the Town Clerk shall mail a letter to adjacent property owners advising them of the application and giving them notice of the hearing and the deadline to file an objection or comment regarding the application with the Town Clerk.

The only type of fill that will be allowed is brick, stone, concrete, asphalt, and clean soil. Property owner is responsible for cleaning the road after fill is brought in. No overweight trucks are permitted on road for fill delivery.

All fill permits expire on December 31 of the calendar year in which they are issued. Renewal of permits shall require re-application.

If you have any questions, please contact the Code Enforcement Office at the Boston Town Hall, (716) 941-6113 ext. 111.

Date: 3/4/24

### Instructions

APPLICATION IS HEREBY MADE to the Town of Boston for the issuance of a permit to dump fill pursuant to the Ordinance Laws of the Town of Boston, Erie County, New York, prohibiting and/or regulating the use of lands within the Town of Boston as a sanitary land fill or dumping grounds which regulate the excavation, removal or storage of earth, sand, gravel, rock, topsoil, minerals or other similar material. The applicant agrees to abide with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and terms of this application if granted.

1. Name of Applicant: Matthew Kobziczak Phone #: (716) 800-0039

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Permit Application

2. Address: 7631 Zimmerman Rd Hamburg NY
3. Name of owner of property  
(if different from applicant): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Address of owner of property: 7008 Omphalius Rd Cobden NY
5. Location of property, including tax parcel number where fill is desired to be placed:  
7631 Zimmerman Rd Hamburg NY
6. Where is the fill coming from? WestSus
7. The location of all roads, streets, highways, waterways, streams, and ponds within 100 feet of the place where the fill is desired to be placed:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. The names and addresses of abutting property owners  
Bonnie Smith 7629 Zimmerman Rd  
Jamie Davis 7601 Zimmerman Rd  
Kelly Thompson 7598 Zimmerman Rd  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. The purpose for which the fill is desired:  
CREATE PROPER DRAINAGE
10. The approximate amount of fill required (cubic yards): 675

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11. The approximate average depth of the area to be filled: 2'
12. Enumerate with particularity the type of fill to be used: CLAY/STONE
13. The length of time required to place said fill on the property: LAST YEAR (PROJECT COMPLETE)
14. The Time when said fill operations are intended to commence: 2023
15. The time when said fill operations are intended to be completed: 2023
16. If the fill exceeds 2,500 cubic yards, detail the drainage systems to be installed to ensure proper surface drainage during and after completion of the work:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

[Signature]  
 Signature of Applicant

3/4/24  
 Date

I hereby consent to the placement of fill on my property in accordance with the above application.

[Signature]  
 Signature of property owner, if different than applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

DATE: 3/15/2024 21157 F150

Received by Town Clerk

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by Highway Department

### Site Plan

- |  |     |    |
|--|-----|----|
| 1. Has fill/dirt material been brought to the property?      | YES | NO |
| 2. Has the fill/dirt material been spread or fill work done? | YES | NO |
| 3. Have you received a violation notice?                     | YES | NO |

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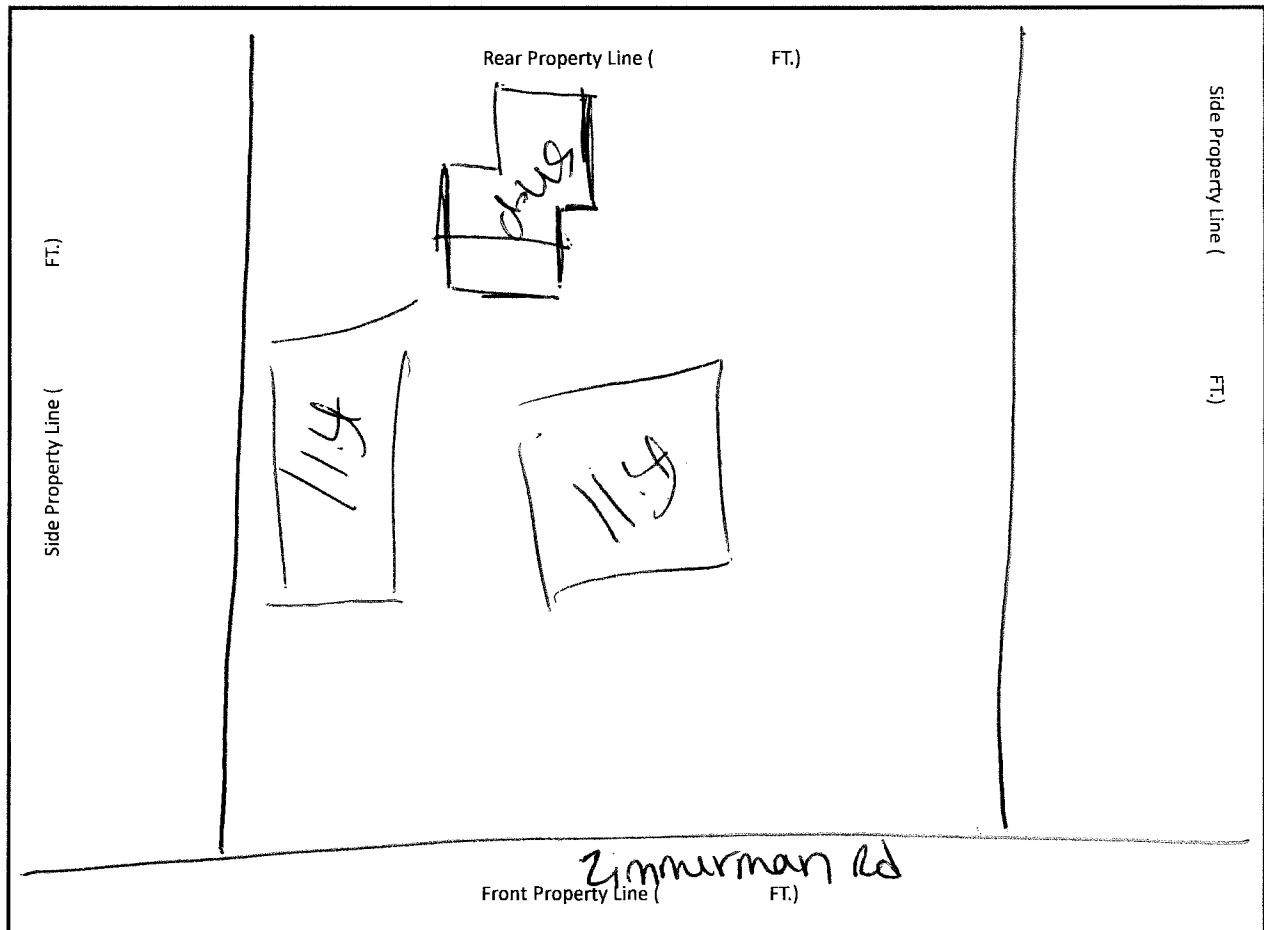


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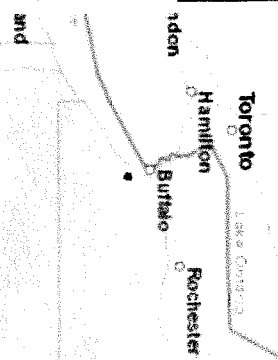
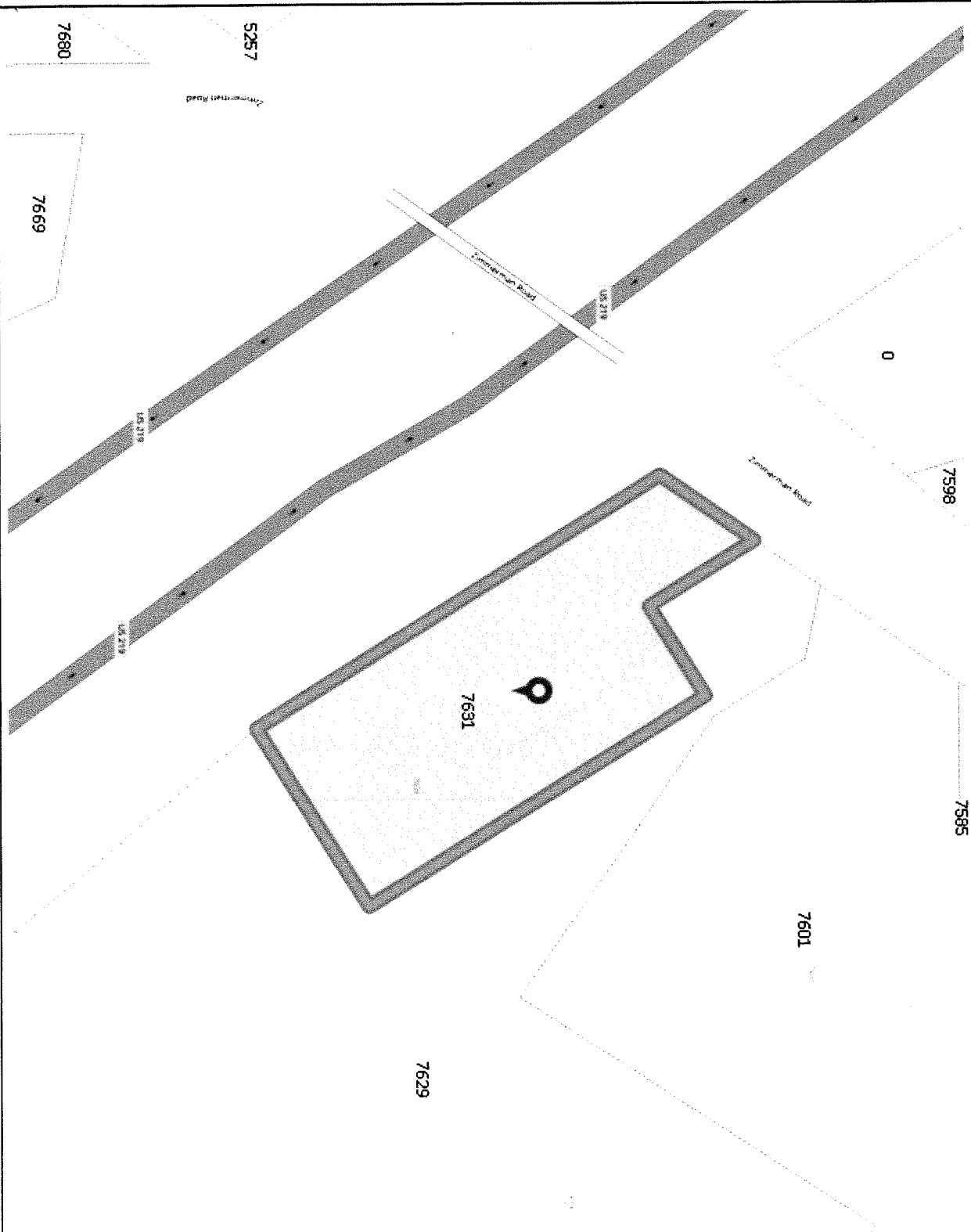
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**Legend**  
 Parcels

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**TOWN OF BOSTON – RESOLUTION NO. 2024-26**

**ADOPTION OF VEHICLE USAGE POLICY**

At a Regular Meeting of the Boston Town Board Erie County, New York, on the 20th day of March, 2024 at 7:30 pm Eastern Prevailing Time there were:

Present: Supervisor Jason A. Keding, Councilman Michael Cartechine, Councilwoman Jennifer Lucachik, Councilwoman Kelly Martin and Councilwoman Kathleen Selby

**WHEREAS**, the attached policy has been compiled regarding the usage of town-owned vehicles;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of the Town of Boston does hereby adopt the attached Vehicle Usage Policies and procedures.

On March 20, 2024, the question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

|                          | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| Councilmember Cartechine | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Councilmember Lucachik   | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Councilmember Martin     | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Councilmember Selby      | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |
| Supervisor Keding        | [ ]        | [ ]       | [ ]            | [ ]           |

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**Sandra L. Quinlan, Town Clerk**

# Policy on Usage of Town-Owned Vehicles (aka Vehicle Usage Policy)

**Policy Statement** – All vehicles and related equipment of the Town of Boston are owned and maintained for the purpose of conducting official business of the Town. Said vehicles and equipment may not be used for the personal use or private gain of any official or employee, nor for any other purpose which is not in the general public interest.

**Scope** – This policy applies to all elected officials and appointed employees who are provided access to Town-owned or leased vehicles, regardless of their position within the town.

**Standards** – For the purpose of compliance with this policy, the following standards must be met at all times:

- Town vehicles and related equipment must remain under the general administrative jurisdiction and direction of the Department Head to which it is assigned;
- Town vehicles must be assigned to specific Town officials and employees for specific purposes and tasks. Said vehicles may not be used for any unauthorized purpose nor to conduct personal, private, or non-Town related business;
- Town vehicles must be maintained in good working order at all times. Before operating any town vehicle, the operator is required to conduct an interior and exterior inspection to ensure the vehicle is safe and operational. If the walkthrough shows any damage, maintenance concerns, or safety issues, the operator shall notify the appropriate supervisor or designated personnel addressing vehicle issues. The identified issue must be documented and rectified before the vehicle resumes ordinary operations;
- Town vehicles must always be operated in a safe and responsible manner, and in compliance with all applicable motor vehicle and traffic laws in effect. Any accident involving a Town vehicle or damage to a Town vehicle must be immediately reported to the applicable Department Head and/or Town Supervisor by any employee involved in or witnessing an accident/damage, regardless of severity. A written accident report must be filed with the Town Clerk's Office, by the applicable Department Head and the employee(s) involved in/witnessing the accident/damage within twenty-four hours;
- Town vehicles may not be used to transport persons who are not officials or employees of the Town of Boston, nor material not related to the conduct of official Town business, without direct authorization by the Town Board;
- Town vehicles must always be maintained in a safe and secure condition when not in use, including being locked and/or under direct observation; and all keys maintained under controlled and authorized jurisdiction of the appropriate Department Head;
- In the event a Town vehicle must travel outside the limits of Erie County, the Department Head or supervisor must receive prior approval from the Town Board, either on a case-by-case basis or as a comprehensive approval for specified purposes. Except as may be restricted in the future, travel outside the County for the purpose picking up and/or delivering materials in furtherance of town business is approved provided the Town Supervisor is notified prior to the travel.



- All Town-owned vehicles, including those purchased out of the highway fund, are to display the Town seal. No advertisements, signs, bumper stickers or other markings of a political or commercial nature may be displayed on Town vehicles at any time, except those of a limited community service nature which have been authorized by the Town Board.
- Pursuant to IRS regulations, commuting to and from work on a regular basis using a town-owned vehicle is considered a fringe benefit and thus taxable. Any person who takes a town vehicle home on a routine basis needs to track mileage starting as soon as they leave either town property or the jobsite at which they are working. For vehicles that have patrol duties, such as for dog control or checking snow conditions, mileage for these duties should be differentiated from commuting mileage. Mileage can be tracked using the attached Mileage Worksheet or by submitting a printout from a reputable mileage tracking app such as MileIQ. Mileage tracking starts effective April 1, 2024 and needs to be submitted to the Bookkeeper monthly, no later than the 10th day of the following month. If this mileage tracking requirement is not adhered to, the lease value of the vehicle will be applied to the employee's paycheck as specified in the Fringe Benefit Calculation section of this policy.

**Return of Town Vehicles** – Upon termination or when no longer authorized to use a Town-owned vehicle, employees must return the vehicle, keys, and all related equipment promptly. The condition of the vehicle will be assessed and any damages beyond normal wear and tear may result in charges to the employee.

**Compliance with Policy** – Violations of this policy may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. Employees are responsible for familiarizing themselves with and abiding by this policy.

**Fringe Benefit Calculation – Reference IRS Publication 5137** – Vehicles used exclusively for business purposes where the substantiation requirements are met have no tax consequences or reporting requirements and the use is treated as a working condition fringe benefit. Business use does not include commuting. Employees should maintain records to substantiate that all vehicle use was for business. Should personal use occur of a town-owned vehicle, this would be taxable to the employee as wages.

Personal use includes, but is not limited to, commuting between residence and work station, vacation and weekend use, use by spouse or dependents, and use for personal errands. An exception to the limitation on personal use applies for use that qualifies as de minimis. Examples include small personal detour while on business such as stopping for lunch, or infrequent commuting in town-owned vehicle required in accordance with the job. If the personal detours or infrequent commuting become a frequent or routine occurrence, this returns to a taxable usage.

Substantiation requirements listed under IRC Section 280F, states that vehicles are considered “listed property” and therefore, to support an exclusion or deduction under IRC Section 274(d), separate records for business and personal mileage are required. Under Treasury Regulation Section 1.132-5(b) if the employee does not provide records documenting business and personal mileage separately, the value of all use of the vehicle is considered wages to the employee. If the employee provides records documenting business and personal use separately, only the personal use of the automobile is considered wages to the employee.

**Policy Review** – This Vehicle Usage Policy is subject to periodic review and may be updated as needed. Employees will be notified of any policy changes.

# 2024 Mileage Reimbursement

\$ **0.67 /mile**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

| Date         | Start Location | End Location | Travel Purpose     | Odometer         |                | Total Mileage | Expense        |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|              |                |              |                    | Starting Mileage | Ending Mileage |               |                |
| 3/18/2024    | Town Hall      | Home         | Example: Commuting | 26004            | 26008          | 4             | \$ 2.68        |
|              |                |              |                    |                  |                |               | \$ -           |
|              |                |              |                    |                  |                |               | \$ -           |
|              |                |              |                    |                  |                |               | \$ -           |
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|              |                |              |                    |                  |                |               | \$ -           |
| <b>Total</b> |                |              |                    |                  |                | <b>4</b>      | <b>\$ 2.68</b> |

Notes:

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_