

BOROUGH OF ST. LAWRENCE
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday February 12, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the St. Lawrence Borough Council was called to order at 7:30 PM by Council President Mr. Robert J. May, on Thursday, February 12, 2026

ROLL CALL: Council President Robert May did roll call; the following members were present; Robert J. May, Council President, David W. Eggert, Council Vice President, Rev. D. Michael Bennethum, Member, Michael Fritz, Member, Warren Lubenow, Member, Gregory Zawilla, Member, Corrie Zana, Borough Mayor, Derrek Rhoads, Borough Manager, Roadcrew Member, Logan Wood, Borough Engineer, Pamela Stevens, Borough Solicitor, Joan London, and Amanda Muso, Borough Secretary. Member Steve Geibel was absent from tonight's meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes from the previous meeting, both the reorganization and monthly meeting, on January 5, 2026, were presented to Council for review. There was one correction to be made. Correction was the spelling of Warren Lubenow. **MOTION:** David Eggert made the motion to approve the minutes as with the correction; seconded by Warren Lubenow; all were in favor, so the motion carried.

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: All bills requiring payment and ratification up to and including February 10, 2026, were presented to the Council prior to the meeting for review. Bills requiring payment and ratification from the general fund up until February 10, 2026, totaled \$132,492.77; sewer fund totaled \$21,782.42; liquid fuels fund totaled \$3,832.96; fire tax fund totaled \$0.00; EMS tax fund totaled \$0.00.

MOTION: Dave Eggert made the motion authorizing payment and ratification of all bills presented; seconded by Warren Lubenow; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report was presented to Council prior to the meeting for review. There were no questions, corrections, or clarifications to the report.

MOTION: Dave Eggert made the motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented and file it for audit; seconded by Warren Lubenow; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

GENERAL: \$219,931.41 **SEWER:** \$286,972.09 **RESERVES:** \$435,529.07 **LIQUID FUELS:** \$120,572.02
FIRE TAX: \$5,230.24 **EMS TAX FUND:** \$5,402.44; **TOTAL FUND BALANCE:** \$1,073,637.27

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH ENGINEER - PAMELA STEVENS, SDE

Pamela Stevens submitted her report, which was added to Council's packet for review prior to the meeting. Included in the report was an update regarding the Multimodal grant that we received for 1.2 million dollars. She is requesting that the Borough get guidance from TPD for much of the work. Due to needing highway occupancy permits, they would be better suited for the task. TPD and SDE will work

together, and she will report back to Council with any updates. Pamela also talked about some of the plans and design concepts for updating the playground. This will be an ongoing project between the Rec. Board, the Borough, and SDE.

The MORE grant was also discussed. SDE will keep this grant open and submit a design and cost estimate to place solar panels at the Borough Municipal Building.

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH SOLICITOR – JOAN LONDON, KOZLOFF STOUDT

Solicitor will address her topics in Executive Session.

REPORT OF THE BOROUGH MAYOR - CORRINE ZANA

Mayor Zana's report was in the packet for Council to review prior to the meeting.

Members of the Borough Centennial Board will have a meeting on February 25, 2026, to discuss ideas for the celebration. Chief Serafin has officially retired, and a new Chief has been sworn in. A few other officers have also been given promotions and have been sworn in. At the Police Commission meeting, the radios in the patrol cars were brought up. They are nearly 10 years old and will soon need to be replaced.

PUBLIC WORKS – LOGAN WOOD

Public Works cleaned up and cleared all of the intersections and trouble areas in the Borough from the last heavy snowfall. During the storms, over 14 tons of salt were used to keep the roads safe. We did receive a supply of donated salt to help increase the tonnage that we have for any future snowfall.

RECREATION- DAVE EGGERT

The Recreation Board, along with Pamela from SDE, and the Borough are working on new designs for the playground in anticipation of grant opportunities.

A new playground leader has expressed interest. Dave Eggert made a **motion to amend the agenda** to hire Quinn Trexler as a new playground leader; seconded by Rev. Bennethum; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

MOTION: Approve the hiring of Quinn Trexler as a 2026 playground leader.

Dave Eggert made the motion; seconded by Mike Fritz; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

LIBRARY: No upcoming events

JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: They are onboard and happy about the Borough's sidewalk plan, which coincides with what they are requesting.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No updates or upcoming meetings

ZONING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT: Derrek Rhoads, Borough Manager

Enforcements have been made and are ongoing.

There is potential interest in 500 Parkview Ave and its uses. The Borough Manager, SDE, and the Solicitor will work on getting the potential buyer all of the updates on that property.

The Zoning Hearing Board met on February 9, 2026, regarding the zoning variance submitted by the Mt. Penn Fire Company. After deliberation, the Board granted the zoning relief to the Mt. Penn Fire Company. They may begin the process of adding the addition to their existing building.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussions on the Borough Public Works Garage

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 936-2026, Destruction of Documents

A MOTION to adopt Resolution 936-2026 was made by Dave Eggert; seconded by Warren Lubenow; all were in favor and so the motion carried to destroy municipal documents following the guidelines of the municipal retention manual. The list is attached and was presented to Council in their packets prior to the meeting for review.

At 8:03 pm, a **MOTION** was made to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters and potential litigation.

MOTION made by Dave Eggert; seconded by Rev. Bennethum; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

All items were discussed at length, and a motion was made to come out of executive session.

MOTION to exit was made at 9:10 pm by Dave Eggert; seconded by Mike Fritz; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

Out of executive session, a **MOTION** was made to direct the Borough Manager to address personnel issues as identified in the executive session. The motion was made by Dave Eggert; seconded by Warren Lubenow; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

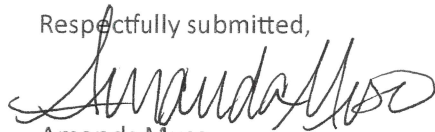
The next motion out of the session was Resolution 937-2026 establishing a drug and alcohol policy.

MOTION: Adopt resolution 937-2026 Establishing a Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy was made by Dave Eggert; seconded by Warren Lubenow; all were in favor and so the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: Dave Eggert made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Mike Fritz; all were in favor and the motion carried. The meeting of the St. Lawrence Borough Council adjourned at 9:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda Muso
Borough Secretary

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