

A regular monthly meeting and public hearing for 2026 Budget of the Ledyard Town Board, County of Cayuga, State of New York was held on the 10th day of November 2025 at the Ledyard Town Hall, 1099 Poplar Ridge Road, Aurora, NY 13026 at 7:35 pm.

Present: Mark Jordan, Supervisor
Therese Shook, Council
Anne Reynolds, Council
Jason Burroughs, Council
Mike Britt, Council

Others: Deborah Ross, Town Clerk
Steve Arnold, Highway Superintendent
Shirley Egan, Historian

Absent:

Guests: 2: Stephen & Ellen Wikstrom

PLEDGE-REMEMBER TROOPS

Supervisor Jordan called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops at 7:35 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2026 BUDGET OPENED at 7:40 pm

HIGHWAY

Other than truck #5 which is running rough, nothing else to report. Steve left the meeting due to the stormy weather.

PRIVELGE FROM THE FLOOR

Ellen and Stephen Wikstrom are attending tonight to make sure all board members received their October 30, 2025, letter to the supervisor.

HISTORIAN

The town historian borrowed a traveling exhibit about the Erie Canal that celebrates its bicentennial (1825-2025) which is on display next to the flag in new meeting room at town hall for the next month. Shirley will add an exhibit board about Ledyard's connection to the Erie Canal.

Shirley requested a generic email for the historian within the town's system. Clerk Ross said one has been created for the historian plus another for the assessor. The historian's town email account can be setup next time she is in the town hall during clerk hours.

Aurora Ledyard Historical Society has launched its website <[auroraledyard history.org](http://auroraledyardhistory.org)>.

Resolution in support of Congressman Nick Langworthy's Energy Choice Act and in opposition to Government-mandated natural gas bans. Natural gas and fossil fuels are banned in most new residential and commercial buildings effective in 2026. Passing the Energy Choice Act would allow New Yorkers to have choice of energy to heat homes, cook food and power their business versus banning natural gas.

A motion was made to support this resolution.

Motion made by: Jason Burroughs
Seconded by: Mark Jordan
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Jordan
Nay: 1 Britt

Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

ChargeSmart EV

Councilman Britt received a proposal from ChargeSmart EV (CSEV), Clifton Park, NY, for a 1 EV car charging station (240 kW DC Fast) to be installed at the town hall. The proposal had two payment options: (1) town pays ~\$200,000 and receives 100% of revenues or (2) town pays \$100,000, CSEV pays \$100,000 and revenues are split 50-50%. Discussion followed.

2026 TOWN BUDGET

With Bookkeeper Dudley Hand present, the 2026 budget was gone through line by line with adjustments made. The 2026 tax rate will be \$0.333112 per thousand.

A motion was made to approve the 2026 Town Budget.

Motion made by: Anne Reynolds
Seconded by: Jason Burroughs
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Britt
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

Public hearing for Budget CLOSED at 9:30 pm.

MINUTES

A motion was made to approve October 2025 minutes.

Motion made by: Jason Burroughs
Seconded by: Therese Shook
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Britt
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

Dog Control Officer

Susie Tracy will attend the next meeting.

REPORTS for Clerk, CEO, Supervisor and Dog Control

A motion was made to approve reports

Motion made by: Anne Reynolds
Seconded by: Jason Burroughs
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Britt
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

EMPIRE PASSES

Sold all but 2 Long Point passes. Town purchased 75 passes but apparently Farm Boy printed 82 as town sold 80.

A motion was made to purchase 5 Empire passes for 2026.

Motion made by: Jason Burroughs
Seconded by: Michael Britt
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Britt
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

BILLS

A motion was made to pay the following:

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Voucher	261-283
Fund A	\$ 3,854.81
FUND B	\$ 1.90
Fund DB	\$30,565.12
Total Amount	\$34,421.83

Motion made by: Michael Britt
Seconded by: Therese Shook
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Britt
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:15pm

Motion made by: Jason Burroughs
Seconded by: Michael Britt
Aye: 4 Shook, Reynolds, Burroughs, Britt
Nay: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Motion: **PASSED**

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A Ross
Town Clerk