CITY OF LOCKPORT
COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Lockport Municipal Building

Regular Meeting
Official Record

October 14th, 2026
6:00 P.M.

Mayor John Lombardi III called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following Common Council members answered the roll call:

Alderman Craig, Wyche, Fogle, Wiley and Kirchberger
Absent: Alderman O'Malley

INVOCATION – Pastor Steve O'Mara

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECESS

Recess for public input.

101426.1 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Alderman Kirchberger, seconded by Alderman Wiley the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 23rd, 2026 are hereby approved as printed in the Journal of Proceedings. Ayes 5.

FROM THE MAYOR

Appointments:

FROM THE CITY CLERK
The Clerk submitted payrolls, bills for services and expenses, and reported that the Department Heads submitted reports of labor performed in their departments.

Reviewed by the Finance Committee.

Communications (which have been forwarded to appropriate city officials)
9/21/2026 Steven Manna, 44 Franklin Ave – tree

9/30/2026 Thomas Maxwell, Northern Lights of Niagara LLC, notification of their adult-use retail dispensary application for 144 Main Street, Lockport, NY.

10/1/2026 Emily Stoddard – City Clerk – Notification of bids received 10/1/2026 in response to Bid #WTP2026-01.

Contractor Name	Phone Number	Service	Bid Amount
Univar Solutions	1-800-531-7106	Hydrofluorosilicic Acid	$9/gallon
USALCO	410-354-0100	Polyaluminum Choride	$2.4708/gallon
JCI Jones Chemical	585-538-2314 ext. 256	Chlorine	$3300/ton

10/9/2026 Jackie Schultz, Emmanuel United Methodist Church, request permission to hold their annual Trunk or Treat on October 30th, 2026 from 5pm-7:30pm.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

101426.2
By Alderman Craig:

Resolved, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to issue orders in favor of the claimants for payrolls, bills and services to be paid on October 15th, 2026

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.3
By Alderman Kirchberger:

Call for Public Hearing – Refuse Relevy

Whereas Section 155-7 A (Solid Waste) of Chapter 158 of the City Code states that unpaid residential and commercial user fees for collection of refuse and recycling shall be the personal liability of the owner, and

Whereas any delinquent assessment, penalty, charge or fee remaining unpaid by May 15 is added to the upcoming year's tax bill for the parcel of property against which it is a lien, and

Whereas the amount added to taxes shall include late payment charges accrued through June 30 plus an additional administrative charge equal to $15 for each delinquent account, and

Whereas late payment charges shall not continue to accrue after June 30 against any assessment, penalty, charge or fee which is added to taxes, and

Whereas the City Treasurer will submit to the City Council all delinquent assessments, penalties, charges or fees and any other amounts to be added to taxes, and

Whereas upon receipt of such delinquent amounts the Council must hold a public hearing, and

Whereas after making any amendments or corrections to the list of delinquent accounts the Common Council will by resolution confirm said amounts, and

Whereas upon confirmation of said amounts the City will insert the delinquent accounts in the annual tax rolls and which shall become a part of the annual tax upon the respective

parcels against which such amounts are charged and shall be subject to all the provisions of the City Charter; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a resolution listing the re-levies and the dollar amount to be added to the tax rolls, and be it further

Resolved that a public hearing be held at the Common Council meeting on Wednesday, October 28th, 2026, starting at approximately 6:00pm relative to said resolution for re-levy, and be it further

Resolved that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise notice of said public hearing.

Seconded by Alderman Wyche and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.4

By Alderman Craig:

Call for Public Hearing on FY 2027 Budget

Resolved that a public hearing be held at the Common Council Meeting on Wednesday, October 28th, 2026 starting at 6:00 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to the proposed 2027 Budget, and be it further

Resolved that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise notice of said public hearing.

Seconded by Alderman Kirchberger and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.5

By Alderman Wyche:

Resolution to set Halloween Trick or Treating Hours

Resolved that Saturday, October 31, 2026 is hereby designated as Halloween Day in the City of Lockport, with the hours for trick or treating scheduled from 4pm to 7pm.

Seconded by Alderman Kirchberger and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.6

By Alderman Wyche:

Call for Public Hearing on Proposed Schedule of Sewer Rents and other Charges

Resolved that the Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized to prepare a Local Law relative to amending the sewer rate schedule, and be it further

Resolved that a public hearing be held at the Common Council meeting of October 28th, 2026 starting at 6:00pm in the Common Council Chambers, Lockport Municipal Building, One Locks Plaza, Lockport, NY relative to said local law, and be it further

Resolved that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise notice of said public hearing.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.7

By Alderman Wyche:

Award of Bids for 2027 Water Treatment Chemicals

Whereas the City of Lockport advertised for bid proposals for chemicals for municipal water treatment for the 2027 calendar year, and

Whereas the following bids were received and publicly opened by the City of Lockport on Wednesday October 1st at 11:00 am:

JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc., $3300 per ton for chlorine;
Univar Solutions USA, Inc., $9/gallon of Hydrofluorisicic Acid;
USALCO $2.4708/gallon Polyaluminum Chloride.

Whereas the contracts will be awarded solely from the bids received; and

Whereas the Chief Water Treatment Plant Operator has reviewed the bids and recommends awarding the contract to each of the low bidders; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Mayor, subject to Corporation Counsel approval, is hereby authorized and directed to sign contracts with JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc. for chlorine, USALCO for polyaluminum chloride (PAC), and Univar Solutions USA, Inc. for hydrofluorosilicic acid for January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.8
By Alderman Craig:

Approval of Gar Associates, LLC Contract for Citywide Reassessment

Whereas the City desires to maintain a 100% equalization rate and has received a proposal from GAR Associates, LLC to update the City's assessments for the 2027 assessment roll; and

Whereas the reassessment project has a total cost of $185,000 above the City's normal annual assessment maintenance costs, with payments scheduled over 2026 through 2028; and

Whereas the City anticipates receiving $24,000 in State aid in 2027 related to the reassessment;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Common Council hereby approves the GAR Associates, LLC reassessment contract in the amount of $185,000, in addition to the City's normal assessment maintenance costs; and be it further

Resolved that the Mayor is authorized to execute the contract, subject to approval as to form by Corporation Counsel. and be it further

Resolved that the City intends to provide for the remaining reassessment payments in the 2027 and 2028 budgets, subject to annual budget adoption and appropriation; and be it further

Resolved that the 2026 Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense:

Decrease: A.1900.54765	Contingency	$30,000
Increase: A.1355.54055	Professional Services	$30,000

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.9
By Alderman Wiley:

Emmanuel Methodist Annual "Trunk or Treat"

Resolved that pursuant to their request, permission is hereby granted to Emmanuel United Methodist Church to barricade Wakeman Alley on Friday October 30th from 5pm-7:30pm, for a "Trunk or Treat" party, and be it further

Resolved that the Director of Streets and Parks be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to arrange for delivery of barricades and traffic cones to said area prior to said event.

Seconded by Alderman Wyche and adopted. Ayes 5.

101426.10 ADJOURNMENT

At 6:13pm Alderman Craig moved the Common Council be adjourned until 6:00pm, Wednesday, October 28th 2026.

Seconded by Alderman Fogle and adopted. Ayes 5.

Emily Stoddard
City Clerk