

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
WORKSHOP
9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, NY 14063
January 6, 2025
5:00 P.M.**

A. RESOLUTIONS

- 1 Call for a Public Hearing for Local Law No. 1 of 2025 “Local Law Opting Out of the Exemption from Taxation Under Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law for the Village of Fredonia.”
2. Call for a Public Hearing for Local Law No. 2 of 2025 “Local Law Regulating the Installation, Placement, of Solar Equipment and Systems in the Village of Fredonia.”
3. Procedures for submitting all resolutions.
4. NYCOM Winter Legislative Meeting Approval
5. Official Newspaper
6. Official Banks
7. Approval of Appointed/Re-appointed Village Officials.
8. Appointment of Village Treasurer
9. Appointment of Village Clerk
10. Rexford Services Approval
11. Abstracts Approval
12. Training request from Fire Chief

B. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- Code Enforcement Office-
- DPW-
- Fire Department-
- Police Department-
- Recreation Department-
- Wastewater Treatment Plant-
- Water Treatment Plant-

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. LaBella Proposal (Michale Cocquyt)
2. Application for the feasibility study with Dunkirk
3. Any other New Business

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Local Law for Licensed Cannabis Dispensary’s
2. Summer Music Series
3. Any other old business

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
REGULAR MEETING
9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, NY 14063
January 6, 2025
Organizational Meeting
7:00 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER-MAYOR FERGUSON

I call this meeting to order on Monday January 6, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Roll Call of the Trustees:

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

D. PUBLIC PORTION-

This portion of the meeting is for public comment. Any member of the public wishing to speak, once recognized, shall stand at the microphone, and state their name and address. Speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes if speaking for themselves or five (5) minutes if speaking on behalf of a group. I will ask the speakers to refrain from remarks that are in poor taste, slanderous, or not germane to any action taken or contemplated by the Board.

E. CORRESPONDENCE-

F. MAYOR'S REPORT-

G. TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS-

**Brauchler
Espersen
Siracuse
Twichell
Wandel**

H. TREASURER'S REPORT –

I. ADDITIONAL REPORTS-

J. RESOLUTIONS-

ESPERSEN/SIRACUSE

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby schedules a Public Hearing on the 21st day of January 2025 at 5:00 PM in the Trustees Room, second floor, Village Hall, Fredonia NY to receive comments from the public regarding the Village of Fredonia's proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2025 entitled "Local Law Opting Out of the Exemption from Taxation Under Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law for the Village of Fredonia.", and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish said notice of said hearing pursuant to Village Law.

This local law shall be entitled "Local Law Opting Out of the Exemption from Taxation Under Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law for the Village of Fredonia."

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia as follows:

Section One – Purpose

The State of New York has adopted an exemption from taxation for certain solar, wind energy, farm waste energy systems, under Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) of the State of New York. The law further provides that a Village may provide that no exemption under this section shall be applicable within the jurisdiction by adopting a Local Law to that effect. The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby wishes to adopt such a Local Law.

Section Two – Opting Out of Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law

Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York exempting from taxation certain solar, wind, energy systems, or farm waste energy systems shall not be applicable, nor available, to such real property within the Village of Fredonia, Chautauqua County, New York. It is the express intention of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia in adopting this Local Law to exercise the opt-out provision afforded to local municipalities by Section 487 so that the exemption from real property taxation for solar, wind, energy systems, or farm waste energy systems shall not apply, nor be available, within the Village of Fredonia, Chautauqua County, New York.

Section Three – Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SIRACUSE/TWICHELL

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby schedules a Public Hearing on the 21st day of January 2025 at 5:30 PM in the Trustees Room, second floor, Village Hall, Fredonia NY to receive comments from the public regarding the Village of Fredonia's proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2025 entitled "A Local Law Regulating the Installation, Placement, of Solar Equipment and Systems in the Village of Fredonia.", and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish said notice of said hearing pursuant to Village Law.

This local law shall be entitled "Local Law Regulating the Installation, Placement, of Solar Equipment and Systems in the Village of Fredonia."

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia as follows:

Section One - Purpose

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia exercising the authority granted to it under Village Law of the State of New York to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents and property owners of the Village of Fredonia. The purpose of this legislation is to balance the potential impact on neighbors when solar collectors may be installed near their property, while preserving the rights of property owners to install solar collection systems without excess regulation. The Village of Fredonia recognizes the importance of solar systems in generating electricity for the on-premises and off-premises use, the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and support for emerging solar systems economic development.

Section Two - Authority

The Board of Trustees in enacting the legislation exercises authority granted to it under the New York State Constitution; Municipal Home Rule Law, and the Village Law of the State of New York which authorizes the Village to adopt Zoning and land use provisions to protect the health, safety, and welfare of persons and property within the Village.

Section Three - Definitions

Building-Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV): A Solar energy system that consists of integrating photovoltaic modules into the building structure. Technologies include PV Shingles of tiles, PV laminates, and PV glass. Examples of placement include vertical facades, semi-transparent skylights, awnings, fixed awnings, and roofs.

Collective Solar: Solar installations owned collectively through subdivision homeowner associations, college student groups, "adopt-a-solar-panel" programs, similar arrangements, or commercial entities.

Glare: The effect by reflections of light with intensity sufficient as determined in a commercially reasonable manner to cause annoyance, discomfort, or loss in visual performance and visibility in any material respects.

Ground-Mounted System: A Solar energy system that is anchored to the ground and attached to a pole or similar mounting system, detached from and other structure.

Large-Scale Solar (Tier 2): Solar energy systems located on land in the Village of Fredonia used primarily to convert solar energy into electricity for offsite consumption or sale, and/or systems that have the capacity to produce more than 25KW per hour of energy.

Net-Metering: A billing arrangement that allows solar customers to get credit for excess electricity that they generate and deliver back to the grid so that they only pay for their net electricity usage.

Roof-Mounted Systems: A solar power system in which solar panels are mounted on top of the structure of a roof either as a flush-mounted system or as modules fixed to frames which can be tilted toward the sun at an optimal angle. Roof-mounted systems shall be located on a roof of a permitted principal use or accessory structure.

Small-Scale Solar (Tier 1): Small Scale Solar means a solar energy system installed and placed to produce energy for consumption only on-site, and that has the capacity to produce less than 25KW per hour of energy.

Solar Easement: An easement recorded pursuant to New York Real Property Law 335- b, the purpose of which is to secure the right to receive sunlight across real property of another for continued access to sunlight necessary to operate a solar collector.

Solar Energy Equipment: Energy storage devices, materials, hardware, or electrical equipment and conduit associated with the production of electrical energy.

Solar Energy Production Facility: Energy generation facility or area of land principally used to convert solar energy to electricity, whether by photovoltaic, concentrating solar thermal devices or various experimental solar technologies, with the primary purpose of wholesale or retail sales of electricity.

Solar Panel: A device capable of collecting and converting solar energy into electrical energy.

Solar Storage Battery: A device that stores energy from the sun and makes it available in an electrical form.

Solar Thermal Systems: Solar Thermal systems directly heat water or other liquid using sunlight. The heated liquid is used directly for such purposes as space heating and cooling domestic hot water, and heating pool water.

Section 4 - Applicability

- A. The requirements of this section shall apply to all solar energy systems installed or modified after the effective date of this local law, excluding general maintenance and repair.
- B. All solar energy systems shall be designed, erected and installed in accordance with all applicable codes, regulations, and industry standards as referenced in the New York State Building Code and the Village Code as well and National Electrical Code (NEC) and local regulations.

- C. Under state SEQRA regulations, actions are grouped as Type I, Type II, or Unlisted Actions. Type II actions are exempt from review and include actions such as construction, expansion, or placement of minor accessory structures. The Village of Fredonia considers building-integrated solar components and Small Scale (Tier 1) to be Type II Actions and therefore exempt from all SEQRA requirements, including the submission of an EAF (Environmental Assessment Form). Large-Scale and Solar production facilities, (Tier 2), that meet the thresholds contained in the SEQRA regulations and are considered more than likely than others to have a significant adverse environmental impact shall be considered Type I Actions. However, the need for a complete Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) shall be determined by the permitting board in accordance with the significance of the potential adverse environmental impact.

Section 5 - Solar as an Accessory Use/Structure

This section governs the placement and installation of small-scale (Tier 1) solar as defined herein. The installation of small-scale (Tier 1) solar energy systems does require the applicant to obtain a building permit from the Village of Fredonia.

A. Roof-Mounted Systems

Roof-mounted systems are permitted as an accessory use in all zoning districts when attached to a lawfully permitted principal structure and accessory structures, subject to the requirements set forth in the section:

- I. Height: Solar energy systems shall not exceed maximum height restrictions within and zoning district and are provided the same height exemptions granted to building – mounted mechanical devices or equipment.
- II. Setback: Solar energy systems are subject to the setback requirements of the underlying zoning district.
- III. Glare: All solar panels shall have antireflective coating(s), and proof of such must be provided with the site plan application and the building permit application.
- IV. Aesthetics: Solar installations shall incorporate the following design requirements:
 - 1. Solar energy equipment shall be installed inside walls and attic spaces when possible, to reduce their visual impact. If solar energy requirement is visible from a public right of way, it should match the color scheme of the underlying structure.
 - 2. Roof-mounted Panels facing the front yard must be mounted at the same angle as the roof's surface with a maximum distance of 18 inches between the roof and the highest edge of the system.
 - 3. Access and pathways. Ground access, roof access, pathways, and spacing requirements for solar photovoltaic systems shall be provided in accordance with the Building Code.
 - 4. Size of solar photovoltaic array. Each photovoltaic array shall not extend out beyond the roofline.
 - 5. Where required by the Building Code to allow for smoke ventilation operations, panels and modules shall not be located less than 18 inches from a roof ridge or peak.

B. Ground-Mounted Systems

Ground-mounted solar energy systems are permitted as an accessory structure in all zoning districts, subject to the requirements set forth in this section.

- I. All ground-mounted solar panels in residential districts shall be installed in the rear yard. If a side yard installation is applied for, it shall be subject to all setback requirements of the underlying zoning district and such an application for a side yard installation shall require plan review by the Village of Fredonia Planning Board.
- II. Setback: Ground-mounted solar panels are subject to setback requirements of the underlying zoning district.
- III. Height: Solar panels are restricted to a height of fifteen (15) feet when located with a minimum setback distance of ten (10) feet from a lot line; a height of twenty (20) feet when located with a minimum setback distance of fifteen (15) feet from a lot line, and a maximum height of twenty-five (25) feet when located with a setback distance greater than twenty-five (25) feet. All height measurements are to be calculated when the solar energy system is oriented at maximum tilt. [Reference Chart Below]

Ground-Mounted Height and Setback Requirements	
Setback	Height Not Greater Than
10 ft.	15 ft.

15 ft.	20 ft.
25 ft. or Greater	25 ft.

IV. Lot Coverage: The surface area of ground-mounted solar panels shall be included in lot coverage and impervious surface calculations and shall not exceed 30% of the lot size.

V.

1. Any application for installation and placement of small-scale solar energy system under this section in a side yard location shall require an application containing a site plan showing the location of all solar energy system components, their location on the premises, their location on the property line and any and all structures on the premises, and the nearest structure located on the premises adjacent thereto.
2. The site plan for such installation shall be reviewed by the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia, and approval of the site plan for the placement in a side yard by affirmative vote of a majority vote of the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia.
3. Glare. All solar panels shall have antireflective coating(s), and proof of such must be provided with the site plan application and the building permit application.

Section Six – Solar as a Principal Use

A. Large-Scale Solar Systems (Tier 2)

Large-Scale solar systems (Tier 2) are permitted by the issuance of a special-use permit within Zoning Districts M-1, C-2, and 1-1 only. In addition to the requirements set forth in those sections, the following applies:

- I. Large-Scale Solar Energy Systems (Tier 2) shall comply with all bulk area requirements, including height and setback of the underlying Zoning District in which it is located, together with the following area requirements and setbacks, whichever is more restrictive. In addition such other restrictions on placement, height, location, and setback and/or buffers may be imposed during the Special Permit process by the Board of Trustees. Each and every part and/or section of the Solar Energy System shall be setback the following minimums:
 1. 300 feet from the edge of any public right-of-way.
 2. 250 feet from each property line bordering the premises, which are subject of a solar application for special use permits.
 3. 350 feet from any residential premises on any adjoining property.
 4. At least 50 feet from any structure on any premises hosting the Solar Energy System.
 5. No part of the Solar Energy System and/or its components shall exceed 35 feet in height.
 6. In the sole discretion of the Village Board, for good cause shown, after the Public Hearing and Board may vary the strict application of these regulations.
- II. Large scale solar systems (Tier 2) shall be located on lots with a minimum lot size large enough to accommodate the proposed system.

Lot Coverage - the surface area of the Solar Energy System, including but not limited to solar panels, utility or electronic sheds, and any other part of the System, shall be included in Lot coverage, together with any impervious service calculations, all of which shall not exceed fifty-percent (50%) of the lot size coverage of the premises on which the Solar System is to be constructed, and which is the subject of the application and permit review.

No large scale systems (Tier 2) will be permitted to be located on multiple parcels, the parcel or parcels which are the subject of the application to host a Solar Energy Facilities System shall be under the control of the applicant, for and during the entire life expectancy of the Solar Energy Facilities System.

- III. All large-scale systems energy systems (Tier 2) shall be enclosed by fencing to prevent unauthorized access. Warning signs with the owners contact information shall be placed on the entrance and perimeter of the fencing. The height and type of fencing shall be determined by the special-use permit process.
- IV. On-site electrical interconnection lines and distribution lines shall be placed underground, unless otherwise required by the utility.
- V. The removal of existing vegetation is limited to the extent necessary for the construction and maintenance of the solar installation.
- VI. Special Use Permit Requirements

Every application for a Special Use Permit under this section shall contain the following material:

1. Verification of utility notification. Foreseeable infrastructure upgrades shall be documented and submitted. Off-grid systems are exempt from this requirement
2. Name, address, and contact information of the applicant, property owner(s), and agent submitting the proposed project.
3. If the property of the proposed project is to be leased, legal consent between all parties, specifying the use(s) of the land
4. Site Plan: Site plan approval and issuance of the permit of any application under this section shall go before the permitting board. Every application for a Large-Scale solar energy system (Tier 2) within the Village of Fredonia shall be made to the Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees and shall be approved by majority vote of the Board of Trustees. Prior to Board of Trustee review of the application, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia may refer said application to the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia for site plan review, report, and recommendation for approval or disapproval by the Planning Board to the Board of Trustees. A Public hearing upon ten days' notice duly posted and published in the official newspaper of the Village of Fredonia and on the bulletin board of the Village of Fredonia before granting of any such special use permit described here under. The Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby reserves the right to delegate to the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia the public hearing requirement, and if so, such public hearing shall be held by and before the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia.
5. Blueprints signed by a New York State licensed Engineer or registered Architect of the solar installation showing the layout of the system.
6. The equipment specification sheets shall be documented and submitted for all photovoltaic panels. Significant components, mounting systems, and inverters that are to be installed.
7. Property Operation and Maintenance Plan: A property operation and maintenance plan is required, describing continuing photovoltaic maintenance and property upkeep, such as mowing, trimming, etc.
8. Decommissioning Plan:
 - i. To ensure the proper removal of large scale systems (Tier 2), a decommissioning plan shall be required. The plan shall include the removal of all infrastructures and the remediation of soil and vegetation back to its original state prior to construction, unless otherwise permitted. A cost estimate detailing the projected cost of executing the decommissioning plan shall be prepared by a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of New York. Cost estimations shall take into account inflation. Further, all such plans shall meet the requirements adopted/recommended by Chautauqua County Planning Dept. as then currently in effect.
 - ii. Financial Surety: A form of surety, through escrow or equivalency of shall be established prior to the commencement of construction to cover the cost of decommissioning the site. The amount of surety required by the municipality may not exceed 125 percent of the estimated cost to decommission.

Section Seven - Solar Storage Batteries

If Solar Storage Batteries are included as part of the Solar Energy Collection System, its location, placement, and maintenance shall be governed by and in accordance with New York State Uniform Electrical code, and all regulations promulgated under the State Code and the National Electric Code. When storage batteries are no longer in use, they shall be in accordance with the law in the State of New York, and any other applicable Federal, State and/or Local disposal Rules and/or regulations.

Section Eight - Violations

Any violation of this Solar Energy Law shall be subject to the same enforcement requirements, including the civil and criminal penalties, provided for in the zoning or land use regulations of the Village.

Notwithstanding the above, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby reserves the right to proceed to enforce the provisions of this Local Law by civil action, injunction, and any other remedy afforded to it under the laws of the State of New York or the United States.

Section Nine - Validity :

If any part or provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any other court of competent jurisdiction, such judgement shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision of application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgement shall have been rendered and shall not effect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances.

Section Ten - Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

SIRACUSE/BRAUCHLER

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees for the Village of Fredonia are authorized by Chapter 63, Section 1 (D) to determine the rules of the procedures for the conduct of its meetings; and

WHEREAS the Board believes the standardization and adherence to a policy concerning the submission of resolutions will increase discussion and communication while affording the Trustees and the public their right to speak, now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby adopts the following procedures regarding the submission and creation of all resolutions:

1. Any resolution being submitted for placement on the agenda of a regularly scheduled or Special meeting of the Board shall be submitted to the Village Clerk no later than 1:00 P.M. on the Monday (or week) prior to said meeting.
2. Complete and final agendas shall be placed in Trustee mailboxes and available to the public on both the website and in hard copy no later than 12:00 A.M. on the Thursday (or 4 days) prior to said Board meeting.
3. Resolutions placed on the agenda after the deadline shall meet the following criteria to be included or considered for action:
 - a) *The action must have a financial impact on the Village (positive or negative) and require an action that must be taken prior to the next meeting date, OR*
 - b) *Have an immediate effect on the health and/or safety of the citizens of the Village.*
4. During the workshop, prior to the regular meeting, Trustees shall have the opportunity to discuss any proposed resolution along with any other Village business. If a member of the public wishes to comment or address the Board at the workshop, they will need Board approval.
5. Members of the public will be afforded the opportunity to speak on any action taken or contemplated by the Board, during the **Public Comment portion of the regular meeting**, subject to the following rules which shall be read at each meeting, immediately prior to the opportunity for the public comment:
 - a) *“This portion of the meeting is for public comment. Any member of the public wishing to speak, once recognized, shall stand, and state their name and address”*
 - b) *Speaker will be allowed (3) minutes if speaking for themselves or (5) minutes if speaking on behalf of a group. The mayor will determine, in his/her discretion, if individuals are speaking for themselves or representing a group”*
 - c) *“The mayor shall keep good order and may require a speaker to stop speaking if remarks are in poor taste, slanderous, or not germane to any action taken or contemplated by the Board”*

- d) During the meeting, once a resolution has been proposed and seconded, each Trustee shall be given the opportunity to publicly state their position regarding the proposed resolution. Once all Trustees in attendance have had the opportunity to be heard, a roll call vote will be conducted.
- e)

ESPERSEN/SIRACUSE

BE IT RESOLVED that the request of Village Trustees, Jon Espersen, Michelle Twichell and Nicole Siracuse, Ben Brauchler and Paul Wandel and Mayor Ferguson to attend the NYCOM Winter Legislative Meeting February 2-4, 2025 at the Marriot Albany is hereby approved. The cost of the conference will be covered by each individual attending. This Conference is sponsored by the New York State Conference of Mayors.

TWICHELL/WANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED that The Observer, West Second Street, Jamestown, NY is hereby designated the Official Newspaper of the Village of Fredonia for the year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025.

ESPERSEN/BRAUCHLER

BE IT RESOLVED that the following banks pursuant to Village Law section 4-4, are hereby designated the Official Banks for the Village of Fredonia for the year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025:

- Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. 1 E. Main Street, Fredonia, New York
- MBIA Municipal Investors Service Corporation, of Denver Colorado
- J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., of New York, New York

SIRACUSE/BRAUCHLER

BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointed officials and employees are hereby appointed/reappointed to their respective positions and at their present salaries and benefits or salary and benefits as modified by Board resolution or budget adoption for the ensuing official year commencing January 6, 2025 and ending January 6, 2026 unless sooner removed from office or employment as provided by the Charter or other applicable law:

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| 1. Chief Inspection Officer, Building Inspector, Zoning Enforcement Officer | Chuck LaBarbera |
| 2. Parks and Recreation Director | Kayla Sullivan |
| 3. Receiver of Taxes | Erlyssa LeBeau |
| 4. Streets Supervisor/Commissioner | Scott Marsh |
| 5. Associate Village Justice | Nancy Dietzen |
| 6. Police Chief | David Price |
| 7. Records Management Officer | Annemarie Johnston |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees further reserves all rights under the Charter and Section 75 of the Civil Service Law for removal or other disciplinary action for any past or future acts or conduct of employees or officers of the Village which may fall within the purview of Section 75 of the Civil Service Law or the Charter.

BRAUCHLER/SIRACUSE

WHEREAS, Village Charter Village Section §3(b) states that the term of office shall be as provided by Village Law §3-302; and

WHEREAS, Village Law §3-302(3) states that “except as is otherwise provided herein or in this chapter, the term of office of mayor, each trustee, treasurer, and clerk shall be two official years; and

WHEREAS, there is no other provision under Village Law §3-302 that applies to the appointment terms for the Village Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that the Village Treasurer appointment is a two-year term pursuant to the Village Charter and Village Law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees amends the appointment of Erlyssa LeBeau as Village Treasurer to a two-year term, which commences on January 6, 2025 ending on January 6, 2027.

SIRACUSE/BRAUCHLER

WHEREAS, Village Charter Village Section §3(b) states that the term of office shall be as provided by Village Law §3-302; and

WHEREAS, Village Law §3-302(3) states that “except as is otherwise provided herein or in this chapter, the term of office of mayor, each trustee, treasurer, and clerk shall be two official years; and

WHEREAS, there is no other provision under Village Law §3-302 that applies to the appointment terms for the Village Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that the Village Clerk appointment is a two-year term pursuant to the Village Charter and Village Law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees amends the appointment of Annemarie Johnston as Village Clerk to a two-year term, which commences on January 6, 2025 ending on January 6, 2027.

WANDEL/ESPERSEN

WHEREAS, The Village required the repairs to the 2017 Freightliner used in the removal of snow at the DPW; and

WHEREAS, Rexford Services, Inc, Dunkirk, NY provided a quote for the replacement of the rear differential as well as multiple other parts in the amount of \$9,650.91; and

WHEREAS, the repairs were necessary for the Village’s purpose; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED the Village Board hereby authorizes the payment of \$9,650.91 to Rexford Services, Inc for the repairs of the 2017 Freightliner.

ESPERSEN/WANDEL

BE IT RESOLVED that the regular and overtime payrolls of the various Village Departments and bills approved by the Finance Committee and set forth in Abstract #737 through #744 are hereby approved and directed paid and available in the Village Clerk’s office, 9-11 Church Street, Fredonia, NY.

WANDEL/ESPERSEN

BE IT RESOLVED that the Training request of Fire Chief to travel outside of Chautauqua County for the purpose of attending the Arlington Fire District Meeting in Poughkeepsie, NY Tuesday January 14, - 15, 2025 at a cost not to exceed **One Hundred and Eighty-Five Dollars (\$185.00)** is hereby authorized.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION-

L. MEETING SCHEDULE-

The next Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees Workshop and Board Meeting will take place Tuesday January 21 , 2025, as Monday is the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

6 PM in the Trustee Room, second floor, Village Hall, Board Meeting to follow.

UNDERSTANDING NEW YORK STATE'S REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW § 487



This fact sheet outlines important points for local governments that are considering opting out of RPTL § 487.

What is the Real Property Tax Law § 487?

This law provides a 15-year real property tax exemption for properties located in New York State with renewable energy systems, including solar electric systems. This law only applies to the value that a solar electric system adds to the overall value of the property; it does not mean that landowners with an installed renewable energy system are exempt from all property tax. A local government that does not opt out can still benefit financially through payment-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) agreements.

In local governments that have taken no action one way or the other, the exemption is in effect. If a local law, ordinance, or resolution opting out of the exemption is adopted, a copy must be filed with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA).

What is the local economic impact of solar?

New York State's solar market is one of the fastest growing solar markets in the country. Installations grew by 575 percent from 2012 to 2015. During the same time period, the U.S. as a whole saw a 146 percent increase. New York State ranked seventh nationwide for cumulative solar installed capacity in 2015.¹

The solar industry is creating jobs across the State with more than 600 solar companies employing more than 8,250 people. In 2015, the solar industry added approximately 1,000 new jobs throughout the State, a 13.3 percent increase over 2014 job growth. The solar job market in the State is projected to grow another 11.6 percent in 2016, which means adding nearly 1,000 more jobs.

With an average wage of \$22.02 per hour, the solar industry is responsible for creating thousands of living-wage jobs that allow workers to contribute to their local economies. Most jobs are local or regional and cannot be outsourced.²

Why would jurisdictions opt out of the RPTL § 487?

All local governments must offer the RPTL § 487 exemption unless they have opted out not to. Local governments can decide to opt out. As the solar market in New York continues to grow, many large-scale solar projects are being proposed throughout New York. Some local governments are opting out of RPTL § 487 so they can tax these multimillion-dollar projects and generate additional property tax revenue. However, these jurisdictions may find that they will not actually collect substantially more tax revenue from solar or other renewable energy systems because the systems may not be built if they are fully taxable. Property taxes can have a significant impact on the financial viability of solar electric projects, sometimes impacting project economics in a way that unintentionally prohibits solar electric development. Jurisdictions that opt out of RPTL § 487 may unintentionally prevent solar electric development at the local level. Activity in other states suggest there is less solar development in jurisdictions that opt out of the property tax exemption, with little to no additional tax revenue collected.³

Can jurisdictions opt out of RPTL § 487 for large-scale solar only?

No. Under RPTL § 487, jurisdictions are not permitted to conditionally opt out of the property tax exemption. In other words, jurisdictions cannot choose to tax large systems but not small ones. A jurisdiction that opts out of RPTL § 487 to generate tax revenue from larger projects makes solar installations more expensive for homeowners and local businesses.

Can jurisdictions capture revenue from installations without opting out of RPTL § 487?

Yes. The law allows jurisdictions that offer the RPTL § 487 exemption to negotiate payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs). The purpose of a PILOT is to reduce the tax burden and tax rate uncertainty on the property and/or system owner, while preserving some of the forgone revenue that would have been paid in property taxes. PILOTs are often used for large-scale⁴ renewable energy projects, including solar electric systems. They are annual payments commonly related to the system's size (often in dollars per megawatt [MW]) and cannot exceed the amount of taxes that would be owed without the exemption.

¹ NY-Sun. nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/NY-Sun
Solar Energy Industry Association (SEIA). "Top 10 Solar States 2015." www.seia.org/research-resources/top-10-solar-states

- The Solar Foundation. "New York Solar Jobs Census 2015." www.ISFcensus.org and SolarStates.org

Barnes et al. 2013. "Property Taxes and Solar PV Systems: Policies, Practices, and Issues." <https://nccleantech.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Property-Taxes-and-Solar-PV-Systems-2013.pdf>

⁴ In this fact sheet, large scale is considered solar electric projects that are in the megawatt range.

Each taxing jurisdiction (except the school districts of New York, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, and Yonkers) that has not opted out of RPTL § 487 may require the owner of a solar installation to enter a PILOT. The PILOT may not exceed a 15-year term, but it cannot require payments that exceed the value of taxes that would be paid without the exemption provided by RPTL § 487.⁵

PILOT agreements can be an effective tool for jurisdictions to generate comparable revenue without making solar costs prohibitive for most homeowners and businesses.

Can a municipality that has opted out of RPTL § 487 opt back in?

Yes. The New York State Department of Taxation and Finance has stated that local governments can reinstate the RPTL § 487 exemption simply by repealing the local law, ordinance, or resolution that implemented the opt out. The final step to reinstate the exemption is to provide a copy of the new law, ordinance, or resolution to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance and NYSERDA.⁶

Do other states have property tax exemptions for solar electric systems?

Yes. Thirty-three states offer some form of tax exemptions for renewable energy. Twenty-two of those states mandate property tax exemptions for 100 percent of the value of solar energy installations over 10 or more years.⁷ These states include ones with significant solar development such as California, Massachusetts, and New Jersey, as well as states with minimal solar capacity such as South Dakota, Kansas, and Montana. The majority of states recognize the positive financial impact property tax exemptions can have on solar electric development and the local economic benefits of a robust solar industry.

Email info@training.ny-sun.ny.gov for more information about your municipality's individual situation.

More information about RPTL § 487

NYS Department of Taxation and Finance. "Recent Questions on the Real Property Tax Law and Solar Energy Systems."

www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/publications/orpts/legal/raq2.pdf?_ga=1.225179802.1031257166.1423842465

New York Solar Energy Industry Association (NYSEIA). "Webinar: Understanding the Property Tax Exemption for Solar in New York,"

www.youtube.com/watch?v=A3Ull1-T0k

Barnes et al. "Property Taxes and Solar PV Systems: Policies, Practices, and Issues."

nccleantech.ncsu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Property-Taxes-and-Solar-PV-Systems-2013.pdf

NYSERDA Wind Energy Toolkit: "Section 7.2, page 30. Property Tax: Exemptions and PILOTS"

nyserda.ny.gov/-/media/Files/EERP/Renewables/wind-energy-toolkit.pdf

NY-Sun, a dynamic public-private partnership, will drive growth in the solar industry and make solar technology more affordable for all New Yorkers. NY-Sun brings together and expands existing programs administered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), Long Island Power Authority (LIPA), PSEG Long Island, and the New York Power Authority (NYPA), to ensure a coordinated, well-supported solar energy expansion plan and a transition to a sustainable, self-sufficient solar industry.

⁵ New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. January 2016. "Recently Asked Questions About the Real Property Tax Law on the Topic of Solar Energy." Available at: https://www.tax.ny.gov/pdf/publications/orpts/legal/raq2.pdf?_ga=1.225179802.1031257166.1423842465

⁶ New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. *supra* note 13.

⁷ Solar Power Rocks. <https://solarpowerrocks.com/new-york/>

LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2025

This local law shall be entitled "Local Law Opting Out of the Exemption from Taxation Under Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law for the Village of Fredonia."

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia as follows:

Section One – Purpose

The State of New York has adopted an exemption from taxation for certain solar, wind energy, farm waste energy systems, under Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) of the State of New York. The law further provides that a Village may provide that no exemption under this section shall be applicable within the jurisdiction by adopting a Local Law to that effect. The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby wishes to adopt such a Local Law.

Section Two – Opting Out of Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law

Section 487 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York exempting from taxation certain solar, wind, energy systems, or farm waste energy systems shall not be applicable, nor available, to such real property within the Village of Fredonia, Chautauqua County, New York. It is the express intention of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia in adopting this Local Law to exercise the opt-out provision afforded to local municipalities by Section 487 so that the exemption from real property taxation for solar, wind, energy systems, or farm waste energy systems shall not apply, nor be available, within the Village of Fredonia, Chautauqua County, New York.

Section Three – Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2025

This local law shall be entitled "Local Law Regulating the Installation, Placement, of Solar Equipment and Systems in the Village of Fredonia."

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia as follows:

Section One - Purpose

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia exercising the authority granted to it under Village Law of the State of New York to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents and property owners of the Village of Fredonia. The purpose of this legislation is to balance the potential impact on neighbors when solar collectors may be installed near their property, while preserving the rights of property owners to install solar collection systems without excess regulation. The Village of Fredonia recognizes the importance of solar systems in generating electricity for the on-premises and off-premises use, the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and support for emerging solar systems economic development.

Section Two - Authority

The Board of Trustees in enacting the legislation exercises authority granted to it under the New York State Constitution; Municipal Home Rule Law, and the Village Law of the State of New York which authorizes the Village to adopt Zoning and land use provisions to protect the health, safety, and welfare of persons and property within the Village.

Section Three - Definitions

Building-Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV): A Solar energy system that consists of integrating photovoltaic modules into the building structure. Technologies include PV Shingles of tiles, PV laminates, and PV glass. Examples of placement include vertical facades, semi-transparent skylights, awnings, fixed awnings, and roofs.

Collective Solar: Solar installations owned collectively through subdivision homeowner associations, college student groups, "adopt-a-solar-panel" programs, similar arrangements or commercial entities.

Glare: The effect by reflections of light with intensity sufficient as determined in a commercially reasonable manner to cause annoyance, discomfort, or loss in visual performance and visibility in any material respects.

Ground-Mounted System: A Solar energy system that is anchored to the ground and attached to a pole or similar mounting system, detached from and other structure.

Large-Scale Solar (Tier 2): Solar energy systems located on land in the Village of Fredonia used primarily to convert solar energy into electricity for offsite consumption or sale, and/or systems that have the capacity to produce more than 25KW per hour of energy.

Net-Metering: A billing arrangement that allows solar customers to get credit for excess electricity that they generate and deliver back to the grid so that they only pay for their net electricity usage.

Roof-Mounted Systems: A solar power system in which solar panels are mounted on top of the structure of a roof either as a flush-mounted system or as modules fixed to frames which can be tilted toward the sun at an optimal angle. Roof-mounted systems shall be located on a roof of a permitted principal use or accessory structure.

Small-Scale Solar (Tier 1): Small Scale Solar means a solar energy system installed and placed for the production of energy for consumption only on-site, and that has the capacity to produce less than 25KW per hour of energy.

Solar Easement: An easement recorded pursuant to New York Real Property Law 335-b, the purpose of which is to secure the right to receive sunlight across real property of another for continued access to sunlight necessary to operate a solar collector.

Solar Energy Equipment: Energy storage devices, materials, hardware, or electrical equipment and conduit associated with the production of electrical energy.

Solar Energy Production Facility: Energy generation facility or area of land principally used to convert solar energy to electricity, whether by photovoltaic, concentrating solar thermal devices or various experimental solar technologies, with the primary purpose of wholesale or retail sales of electricity.

Solar Panel: A device capable of collecting and converting solar energy into electrical energy.

Solar Storage Battery: A device that stores energy from the sun and makes it available in an electrical form.

Solar Thermal Systems: Solar Thermal systems directly heat water or other liquid using sunlight. The heated liquid is used directly for such purposes as space heating and cooling domestic hot water, and heating pool water.

Section 4 - Applicability

- A. The requirements of this section shall apply to all solar energy systems installed or modified after the effective date of this local law, excluding general maintenance and repair.
- B. All solar energy systems shall be designed, erected and installed in accordance with all applicable codes, regulations, and industry standards as referenced in the New York State Building Code and the Village Code as well as National Electrical Code (NEC) and local regulations.
- C. Under state SEQRA regulations, actions are grouped as Type I, Type II, or Unlisted Actions. Type II actions are exempt from review and include actions such as construction, expansion, or placement of minor accessory structures. The Village of Fredonia considers building-integrated solar components and Small Scale (Tier 1) to be Type II Actions and therefore exempt from all SEQRA

requirements, including the submission of an EAF (Environmental Assessment Form). Large-Scale and Solar production facilities, (Tier 2), that meet the thresholds contained in the SEQRA regulations and are considered more than likely than others to have a significant adverse environmental impact shall be considered Type I Actions. However, the need for a complete Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) shall be determined by the permitting board in accordance with the significance of the potential adverse environmental impact.

Section 5 - Solar as an Accessory Use/Structure

This section governs the placement and installation of small-scale (Tier 1) solar as defined herein. The installation of small-scale (Tier 1) solar energy systems does require the applicant to obtain a building permit from the Village of Fredonia.

A. Roof-Mounted Systems

Roof-mounted systems are permitted as an accessory use in all zoning districts when attached to a lawfully permitted principal structure and accessory structures, subject to the requirements set forth in the section:

- I. **Height:** Solar energy systems shall not exceed maximum height restrictions within and zoning district and are provided the same height exemptions granted to building – mounted mechanical devices or equipment.
- II. **Setback:** Solar energy systems are subject to the setback requirements of the underlying zoning district.
- III. **Glare:** All solar panels shall have antireflective coating(s), and proof of such must be provided with the site plan application and the building permit application.
- IV. **Aesthetics:** Solar installations shall incorporate the following design requirements:
 1. Solar energy equipment shall be installed inside walls and attic spaces when possible, to reduce their visual impact. If solar energy requirement is visible from a public right of way, it should match the color scheme of the underlying structure.
 2. Roof-mounted Panels facing the front yard must be mounted at the same angle as the roof's surface with a maximum distance of 18 inches between the roof and the highest edge of the system.
 3. Access and pathways. Ground access, roof access, pathways, and spacing requirements for solar photovoltaic systems shall be provided in accordance with the Building Code.

4. Size of solar photovoltaic array. Each photovoltaic array shall not extend out beyond the roofline.
5. Where required by the Building Code to allow for smoke ventilation operations, panels and modules shall not be located less than 18 inches from a roof ridge or peak.

B. Ground-Mounted Systems

Ground-mounted solar energy systems are permitted as an accessory structure in all zoning districts, subject to the requirements set forth in this section.

- I. All ground-mounted solar panels in residential districts shall be installed in the rear yard. If a side yard installation is applied for, it shall be subject to all setback requirements of the underlying zoning district and such an application for a side yard installation shall require plan review by the Village of Fredonia Planning Board.
- II. Setback: Ground-mounted solar panels are subject to setback requirements of the underlying zoning district.
- III. Height: Solar panels are restricted to a height of fifteen (15) feet when located with a minimum setback distance of ten (10) feet from a lot line; a height of twenty (20) feet when located with a minimum setback distance of fifteen (15) feet from a lot line, and a maximum height of twenty-five (25) feet when located with a setback distance greater than twenty-five (25) feet. All height measurements are to be calculated when the solar energy system is oriented at maximum tilt. [Reference Chart Below]

Ground-Mounted Height and Setback Requirements	
Setback	Height Not Greater Than
10 ft.	15 ft.
15 ft.	20 ft.
25 ft. or Greater	25 ft.

- IV. Lot Coverage: The surface area of ground-mounted solar panels shall be included in lot coverage and impervious surface calculations and shall not exceed 30% of the lot size.

V.

1. Any application for installation and placement of small-scale solar energy system under this section in a side yard location shall require an application containing a site plan showing the location of all solar energy system components, their location on the premises, their location on the premises in relation to the property

line and any and all structures on the premises, and the nearest structure located on the premises adjacent thereto.

2. The site plan for such installation shall be reviewed by the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia, and approval of the site plan for the placement in a side yard by affirmative vote of a majority vote of the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia.
3. Glare. All solar panels shall have antireflective coating(s), and proof of such must be provided with the site plan application and the building permit application.

Section Six – Solar as a Principal Use

A. Large-Scale Solar Systems (Tier 2)

Large-Scale solar systems (Tier 2) are permitted by the issuance of a special-use permit within Zoning Districts M-1, C-2, and 1-1 only. In addition to the requirements set forth in those sections, the following applies:

- I. Large-Scale Solar Energy Systems (Tier 2) shall comply with all bulk area requirements, including height and setback of the underlying Zoning District in which it is located, together with the following area requirements and setbacks, whichever is more restrictive. In addition such other restrictions on placement, height, location, and setback and/or buffers may be imposed during the Special Permit process by the Board of Trustees. Each and every part and/or section of the Solar Energy System shall be setback the following minimums:
 1. 300 feet from the edge of any public right-of-way.
 2. 250 feet from each property line bordering the premises, which are subject of a solar application for special use permits.
 3. 350 feet from any residential premises on any adjoining property.
 4. At least 50 feet from any structure on any premises hosting the Solar Energy System.
 5. No part of the Solar Energy System and/or its components shall exceed 35 feet in height.
 6. In the sole discretion of the Village Board, for good cause shown, after the Public Hearing and Board may vary the strict application of these regulations.
- II. Large scale solar systems (Tier 2) shall be located on lots with a minimum lot size large enough to accommodate the proposed system.

Lot Coverage - the surface area of the Solar Energy System, including but not limited to solar panels, utility or electronic sheds, and any other part of the System, shall be included in Lot coverage, together with any impervious service calculations, all of which shall not exceed fifty-percent (50%) of the lot size coverage of the premises on which the Solar System is to be constructed, and which is the subject of the application and permit review.

No large scale systems (Tier 2) will be permitted to be located on multiple parcels, the parcel or parcels which are the subject of the application to host a Solar Energy Facilities System shall be under the control of the applicant, for and during the entire life expectancy of the Solar Energy Facilities System.

- III. All large-scale systems energy systems (Tier 2) shall be enclosed by fencing to prevent unauthorized access. Warning signs with the owners contact information shall be placed on the entrance and perimeter of the fencing. The height and type of fencing shall be determined by the special-use permit process.
- IV. On-site electrical interconnection lines and distribution lines shall be placed underground, unless otherwise required by the utility.
- V. The removal of existing vegetation is limited to the extent necessary for the construction and maintenance of the solar installation.
- VI. Special Use Permit Requirements

Every application for a Special Use Permit under this section shall contain the following material:

1. Verification of utility notification. Foreseeable infrastructure upgrades shall be documented and submitted. Off-grid systems are exempt from this requirement
2. Name, address, and contact information of the applicant, property owner(s), and agent submitting the proposed project.
3. If the property of the proposed project is to be leased, legal consent between all parties, specifying the use(s) of the land
4. Site Plan: Site plan approval and issuance of the permit of any application under this section shall go before the permitting board. Every application for a Large-Scale solar energy system (Tier 2) within the Village of Fredonia shall be made to the Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees and shall be approved by majority vote of the Board of Trustees. Prior to Board of Trustee review of the application, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia may refer said application to the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia for site plan review, report, and recommendation for approval or disapproval by the Planning Board to the Board of

Trustees. A Public hearing upon ten days' notice duly posted and published in the official newspaper of the Village of Fredonia and on the bulletin board of the Village of Fredonia before granting of any such special use permit described here under. The Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby reserves the right to delegate to the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia the public hearing requirement, and if so, such public hearing shall be held by and before the Planning Board of the Village of Fredonia.

5. Blueprints signed by a New York State licensed Engineer or registered Architect of the solar installation showing the layout of the system.
6. The equipment specification sheets shall be documented and submitted for all photovoltaic panels. Significant components, mounting systems, and inverters that are to be installed.
7. Property Operation and Maintenance Plan: A property operation and maintenance plan is required, describing continuing photovoltaic maintenance and property upkeep, such as mowing, trimming, etc.
8. Decommissioning Plan:
 - i. To ensure the proper removal of large scale systems (Tier 2), a decommissioning plan shall be required. The plan shall include the removal of all infrastructures and the remediation of soil and vegetation back to its original state prior to construction, unless otherwise permitted. A cost estimate detailing the projected cost of executing the decommissioning plan shall be prepared by a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of New York. Cost estimations shall take into account inflation. Further, all such plans shall meet the requirements adopted/recommended by Chautauqua County Planning Dept. as then currently in effect.
 - ii. Financial Surety: A form of surety, through escrow or equivalency of shall be established prior to the commencement of construction to cover the cost of decommissioning the site. The amount of surety required by the municipality may not exceed 125 percent of the estimated cost to decommission.

Section Seven - Solar Storage Batteries

If Solar Storage Batteries are included as part of the Solar Energy Collection System, its location, placement, and maintenance shall be governed by and in accordance with New York State Uniform Electrical code, and all regulations promulgated under the

State Code and the National Electric Code. When storage batteries are no longer in use, they shall be in accordance with the law in the State of New York, and any other applicable Federal, State and/or Local disposal Rules and/or regulations.

Section Eight - Violations

Any violation of this Solar Energy Law shall be subject to the same enforcement requirements, including the civil and criminal penalties, provided for in the zoning or land use regulations of the Village.

Notwithstanding the above, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia hereby reserves the right to proceed to enforce the provisions of this Local Law by civil action, injunction, and any other remedy afforded to it under the laws of the State of New York or the United States.

Section Nine - Validity

If any part or provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any other court of competent jurisdiction, such judgement shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision of application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgement shall have been rendered and shall not effect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances.

Section Ten - Effective Date

This Local Law shall be effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

2025 Winter Legislative Meeting

February 02, 2025 - February 04, 2025

[→ REGISTER](#)

Featured Event

Dates

Sunday, February 02, 2025 - 2:00 PM

Tuesday, February 04, 2025 - 10:30 AM

Early Registration Discount Deadline

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Online Registration Deadline

Sunday, February 02, 2025

Location

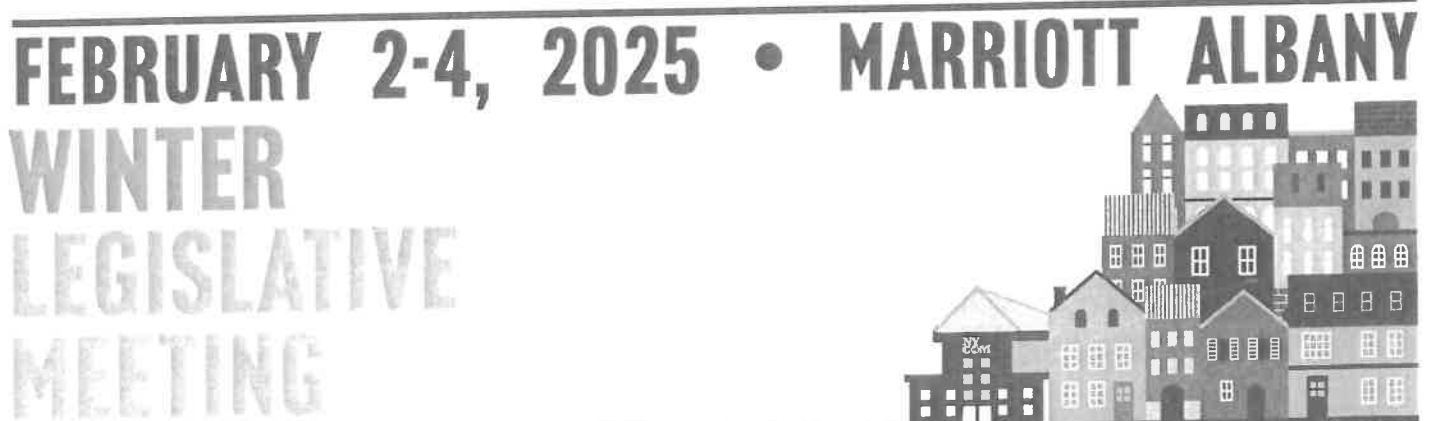
Marriott Albany

189 Wolf Road

Albany, NY 12205

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[Hotel](#)



**NEW YORK STATE CONFERENCE OF MAYORS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS
GENERAL INFORMATION**

and
TENTATIVE AGENDA

MEETING REGISTRATION AND MEAL PACKAGE RATES

Registrations received after the close of business on January 15th will increase by \$15 for members and \$30 for non-members. There will be a 15% surcharge for onsite meal purchases.

REGISTRATION AND ALL MEALS: \$410

Includes:

- ENTIRE Meeting Registration and Materials
- MEALS: *Sunday Reception-Style Dinner, Monday Breakfast, Monday Lunch*
- Monday Reception
- Participation in All Sessions and Tradeshow Breaks

REGISTRATION AND MONDAY LUNCH ONLY: \$290

Includes:

- ENTIRE Meeting Registration and Materials
- MEALS: *Monday Lunch ONLY*
- Monday Reception
- Participation in All Sessions and Tradeshow Breaks

NON-MUNICIPAL GUEST OF A MUNICIPAL OFFICIAL MEAL PACKAGE: \$270

Includes:

- MEALS: *Sunday Reception-Style Dinner, Monday Breakfast, Monday Lunch*
- Monday Reception

REFUND POLICY

Refunds will be made in full for the conference registration, meal packages and add-on guest meal **ONLY** if you notify NYCOM no later than **January 24, 2025**. For cancellations **AFTER January 24th** there will be a \$100 administrative fee and any conference meals purchased (including add-on guest meals) are non-refundable. **No-shows are also non-refundable (those not paid in advance will be invoiced following the conference).**

POLICY ON ACCESS FOR THE DISABLED

The Conference of Mayors makes every effort to plan meetings that are accessible to the disabled. NYCOM requests advance notice from the registrant (including on-site registrants) so that we can make appropriate arrangements.

ATTIRE

The attire for the meeting is business attire.

AUTHORITY TO ATTEND

Local official attendance at this training event is permitted by General Municipal Law § 77-b(2), which permits a city or village to authorize attendance by "any of its members or any officer or employee ... or other person who has been elected pursuant to law to a public office of a municipality for which the term of office has not commenced...." Local officials are entitled to be reimbursed for all actual and necessary costs incurred while attending this program."

CERTIFICATIONS

The Elected Officials Academy (EOA) is NYCOM's two-tiered program that facilitates and recognizes the educational and leadership accomplishments of elected city and village officials. Any NYCOM class that you take, conference that you attend, or committee that you serve on will earn you Elected Officials Academy credits. It doesn't cost you anything to activate your membership, you simply have to complete the online enrollment form. For further information on the EOA and to enroll, please click [HERE](#).

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 rexfords@netsync.net

INVOICE

BILL TO

Village of Fredonia
 9-11 Church St
 Fredonia, NY 14063

INVOICE # 19728
DATE 12/23/2024

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ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION	QTY	PRICE	AMOUNT
TXRRL231805.63	Reman Rear Differential	1	4,800.00	4,800.00
Freight	Freight/Shipping	1	265.95	265.95
55175	Wheel Seal	2	155.05	310.10
75W90 SYN	75W90 Synthetic	20	22.04	440.80
13-7116	5/8 Axle Gasket	2	2.69	5.38
091314	Brake Clean	6	4.50	27.00
765-1471	RTV Sealant	1	12.63	12.63
Environ.Charge	Environmental Surcharge	1	10.00	10.00
31372	1/4 x 1/4 Tube	1	4.74	4.74
3852289R1	Bushing Dowel Axle	3	3.31	9.93
PA4967	5/8 Flat Washer	6	0.92	5.52
PA1674	5/8-11x4-1/2 Screw	6	2.59	15.54
Misc.	Shop Supplies	1	10.00	10.00
Hdwe/Supplies				
Labor	Hourly Labor Rate	26	121.00	3,146.00
82-9437	3/0 x 3/8 Cable Ends	2	8.76	17.52
CS000V	3/0 Battery Cable	10	4.81	48.10
84-4004	Tubing	2	5.42	10.84
Labor	Hourly Labor Rate	1.50	121.00	181.50
1156CP	Bulb	2	1.10	2.20
194	Bulb	2	2.94	5.88
RK4707QPR23M	Brake Shoe Kit	2	59.89	119.78
NYS HD Truck	NYS HD Truck Inspection	1	20.00	20.00
Inspection				
Labor	Hourly Labor Rate	1.50	121.00	181.50

MessageCustomer states noise coming from rear differential. Inspected and drained oil. Confirmed metal chunks in oil. Pulled axle shafts and inspected, Ok. Removed differential and found spider gears exploded. Ordered reman unit, cleaned housing and installed differential. Pulled wheel ends to clean bearing on metal contamination. Installed customer supplied master battery cut off switch for insurance purposes. NYS HD truck

BALANCE DUE

\$9,650.91

There will be a non-refundable fee of \$25.00 on all returned checks - No Exceptions
 Mastercard and Visa Accepted

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
FREDONIA, NEW YORK**

TRAINING REQUEST FORM

TO: Village Clerk, Board of Trustees RE: Request to Attend Training School

From: Joshua T. Myers Date: 1/2/2025

Department: Fire Department Title: Chief

Name of School: Career Fire Chiefs of New York State Bi-monthly Meeting

Sponsored by:

Organization Member yes no Date (days & dates): JAN 14-15, 2025

Where: Poughkeepsie, NY Registration Fee: \$ 0

Means of Travel: Private or Village vehicle Cost of Travel: \$ 0
Tolls \$

Estimated cost of food and lodging: \$ 105 lodging
Apr \$80 food

TOTAL estimated cost of attendance including all expenses to be charged against the Village: \$ 185.00 Total

The Village is exempt from NYS Sales and Use Taxes. Take an Exemption Certificate

Purpose of Conference attendance:

**Please attach an agenda/program with this request.

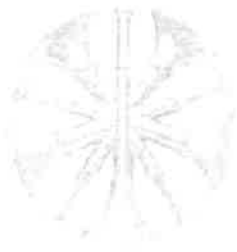
Special Notations as to the need for a substitute, lack of such need, etc.:

Approved By:  Date: 1/2/2025
(Department Head

Village Clerk Date:

Resolution Page No. Approved: Date:

This form to be completed **IN DUPLICATE** with both copies to be submitted to Clerk's Office at least **ONE MONTH** in advance of requested conference attendance. One copy of this form will be returned to you and is to be attached to your claim for reimbursement to help in substantiating the claim.



**CAREER FIRE CHIEFS
NEW YORK of STATE**

Established 1992



Meeting Notice

Arlington Fire District
Poughkeepsie, NY

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Host Chief:

Chief Bill Steenbergh

(845-514-5182)

wsteenbergh@afd.org

Hotel Location:

Courtyard Poughkeepsie

2641 South Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
(800) 647-7576

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1735604249444&key=GRP&questreslink2=true&app=resvlink>

Rooms: \$105/night Request the Arlington FD Room Block

RESERVATION DEADLINE 1/8/2025

****Bring your tax exemption forms****

Business Meeting – 9:30 am:

Locust Grove Estate

2683 South Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Tuesday night dinner- *Shadows on the Hudson* @ 7:00 pm

176 Rinaldi Blvd., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Shuttle from hotel to restaurant - Meet in lobby by 6:30pm

RSVP to wsteenbergh@afd.org for dinner

President- *Chief Jason Green, Dewitt*
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