

Town of Indian Lake Water and Wastewater Department Report for October 2025

Testing was completed daily at all plants.

DEC and DOH samples were sent to the lab.

Lead and Copper testing carried out and passed. Results have been delivered to all parties involved.

TTHM results received and Indian Lake water plant passed while Blue Mountain had a close failure. All necessary steps have been taken and public users notified. (sample was taken during an algae bloom)

All outdoor public water sources in Indian Lake and Blue Mountain Lake have been shut down for winter.

Responded too and shut off two customer leaks for repair. A line ruptured in Blue Mountain Lake water plant which required replacement fitting and new solenoid valve.

A valve was found leaking at the east plant that had to be excavated and repaired.

Repairs were made to the sand filter drying bed at the sewer plant. The old sand was removed, filter fabric pulled up, coarse filter gravel added, fabric repaired and new filter sand applied.

Cleaning up around plants in preparation for winter.

Thank you

Evan LaPrairie

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Evan LaPrairie", with a stylized, flowing script.



November 10, 2025, Town of Indian Lake Board Meeting Economic Development, Marketing & Events Report

Community/Economic Development/Lifeguards

Community Service Information displays at the Welcome Center have replaced our BearWise information table. New information available includes financial scams, suicide prevention, and Veteran and senior citizen services.

Emma Camp Meade Papers The scholars spent two days working with the papers and will be returning on November 7 and taking the papers to Adirondack Experience to scan there.

Town of Indian Lake and ILCS Multi-use Trail System Pending signage posting.

ADKAction (our partner with the pollinator project at the landfill) has teamed up with local farmers to provide food baskets to each ILCS family. The baskets will include a farm raised turkey, seasonal vegetables, and apples. Food for this project will be stored at the Welcome Center. Distribution date is November 24, 2025.

SHIFT The coalition for North Hamilton County - SHIFT - stands for Supporting Healthy & Informed Futures Together. The main goal is to decrease drug and alcohol use in minors in Hamilton County. The coalition is still taking shape and Kylie is on their committee. Next meeting is November 10, 2025.

Community Support for Jasper We donated two gift baskets to this fundraiser. A report from a family member said they raised \$25,000 at the event.

Meet the Candidate Night was held on October 21, 2025, at the Indian Lake Theater. Supervisor Wells attended and thanked the candidates for their time and efforts while encouraging participation from all candidates. Christine had the opportunity to share information regarding write-in ballot instructions as well as upcoming Town events. After the event she was approached and asked to visit the Senior Meal Site the next day to demonstrate how and where candidate write-ins should be done.

Events

Music in the Park We are already booking concerts for next year. Finger Diddle is scheduled for July 18 (Jethro Tull, Tom Petty, Hank Williams III, The Band and Creedence Clearwater Revival). August 8 brings Grit N Grace to our stage offering up songs by Miranda Lambert, Shania Twain, Alan Jackson, Dixie Chicks and more.

Antiques and Rustic Shows 2026 brings the Rustic and Antiques Shows back-to-back again. Rustic is September 11-13 in Blue Mountain Lake. Antiques is September 18-20 in both Indian Lake and Blue Mountain Lake.

Independence Day 2026 As this year will be the 250th anniversary of signing the declaration of Independence, we are continuing to develop a larger event which will begin as the Fishing Derby ends and continues through the fireworks at dusk.

Trick or Treat and Pumpkin Decorating Contest (new this year) had a total of 6 pumpkin entries. We had trick-or-treaters vote for their favorites on Halloween night. 1st place went to Ethan Cummins with 27 votes, 2nd place went to Nancy Harding with 24 votes, and 3rd to Paisley Lamphear with 8 votes.

Country Christmas Tour will be hosted by the Chamber of Commerce on November 28-29. We will host a DIY holiday project, Gingerbread House Contest and Holiday Tree Lighting once again. Lisa Karam will be supplying cookies and hot chocolate at the Tree Lighting. New this year is a scavenger hunt.

Marketing/General Admin

2026 Events Calendar planning is under way.

All calendars of events continue to be updated on a regular basis as needed.

Flyers, maps, and town event rack cards are continually refilled throughout the community on a weekly basis and as needed.

Social Media: I continue to encourage all to **FOLLOW and LIKE** the Town on social media sites.

<https://www.facebook.com/townofindianlake>

<https://twitter.com/TownofIndianLa1>

<https://www.facebook.com/Townsofindianandbluemountainlakeny>

[Nextdoor](#)

Our new Instagram account is **townof.indianlakeny**. Please **LIKE** and **FOLLOW** our new link. [townofindianlakeny\(@townofindianlakeny\) | TikTok](#)

Our Facebook page was launched on May 17, 2021, and started with only 18 followers. We currently have 9,400 followers. Our goal was to reach 10,000 by the end of the year. We follow 174 Facebook sites.

Technology/Miscellaneous

Website Updates: We now have a Town History and EV Charging Page on the municipal tab. The history project dates to the days of ILCDC SIB. Please check them out at [Town History - Indian Lake](#) and [EV Charging - Indian Lake](#). The History page includes an overview of the town's history, along with a walking tour of Indian Lake. A walking tour of Blue Mountain Lake and history of Sabael are coming soon. The EV page includes general information about the chargers at the Welcome Center. We also developed a list of other EV chargers within 40 miles of Indian Lake, which included 32 locations.

Grants

T-Mobile Community Grant I submitted this grant for the fourth trail at the Ski Hut on October 6 asking for \$26,400. Awards will be announced in February 2026.

NYSDEC ADK Smart Growth Grant Round 8 A grant for \$300K was submitted on October 1 to support the Town Museum Rebuild. Awards are due to be announced in December 2025-January 2026.

2025 NYS Budget Appropriation Grant Award for 5 Towns Paperwork was sent in, and we are awaiting a final contract. The funds will support the Town Museum Rebuild.

NYS SWIMS The final report was sent in on October 7. Awaiting \$9,950 to be disbursed.

Northern Forest Adirondack Housing Pre-Development Assistance Program RFP We received a report from them which Supervisor Wells and Christine reviewed to prioritize next steps. Northern Forest will review and make final recommendations and determine what funding is available to us.

DEC EV Charging Stations They are powered up, and we have had approximately six people charge already. This is a photo of our first customer who rerouted his trip from Saranac Lake to come here to charge before heading off to Syracuse.



DEC Byron Park extension has been approved through July 2026. Waiting for the final contract to come back through the Statewide Financial System. Update: Emailed DEC on 10/7/25.

DEC EV Car Rebate We are waiting for final disbursement.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Pouch and Kylie Cannan on 11/5/25.

Town of Indian Lake Highway Department

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Monthly Report – October 2025

Road projects included:

- Bennett Rd: culvert replacement
- Parkerville Rd: ditch work; rebuild back of hill
- Routine mowing, raking/grading and tree/debris clearing
- Paving for Morehouse, Piseco and Hamilton County (Lake Pleasant and Big Brook Rd)
- Hauling sand for the town of Wells

Truck #183 is back out-of-service with computer issues; being repaired at Tracey Road in Albany.

The Highway Dept is looking for 2 F/T employees and 1 seasonal worker. Unfortunately our job listings are not getting any responses.

On October 7 we had a kickoff meeting with the Town engineers (SDA) to discuss the mining pit reapplications (pits # 3 & 6). They will be onsite for field work the first week in November.

October 19: I attended the NYS Association of Town Superintendents of Highways/Hamilton County Annual Dinner at Long View. The food was excellent.

October 28: Attended the Hamilton County Annual Municipal Contract Snow & Ice Meeting at DOT.

October 30: Highway budget workshop.



Submitted by Eugene Darling, Jr.
Highway Superintendent
November 6, 2025

October monthly report Building Maintenance Department

October ended with us finishing up the mowing and weed eating of all Town properties including cemeteries and the shooting range. Mowers have been serviced and will be put away until spring. The 1025R John Deere snowblower/ mower has had the attachments removed and is waiting on the new blower to arrive this week.

All the water to all Town seasonal properties has been turned off, buildings have been drained, antifreeze added and are all set until spring.

A large flood happened at the Town Hall filling the entire building with water, we spent a week bringing in shampooers, dehumidifiers and scrubbers to clean the floors and rugs. The dehumidifier is still running and the building is about 90% dry. Will be measuring for new carpets.

A full weeks worth of work was done at the library, doing sheet rock repairs and painting. Assembled three new shelving units and cleaned up around the building.

Took care of all the seasonal benches and furniture, and moved the two large chairs to Byron Park. Took care of all the flower barrels.

Replaced toilet at Town Hall in the staff bathroom, made some repairs to the sheet rock, replaced a burned out fan and changed a few electrical switches.

Trail work has started all of our equipment is in the woods on the Deer Valley property, I have had two guys committed to trail work the entire month of October, the old section of trail on the Sprague Brook extension had to be reopened as there will be logging in there all this winter and the trucks do not want to share the road with the snowmobilers.

Parts were made to Lake Pleasant and Glens Falls, and what seems to be a weekly trip to TC MURPHY.

Recycling is going well during the summer we were pulling eight hours now we are running between three and five, all the businesses are closing down, we expect it to be even less in the future months.

Thank you
Bill LaPrairie
Dept Head Building Maintenance and Operations

