



## TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE

P.O. Box 730 Pelon Road  
Indian Lake, Hamilton County  
New York 12842

### Town of Indian Lake Building Permit Report March 2026

	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
1. Total # of Permits Issued:	5	1
2. Total dollar amount of projects in #1:	<u>\$117,000</u>	<u>\$5000</u>
3. Number of Permits in #1 which are Hunting Camps:	0	
4. Total dollar amounts of projects in #3:	<u>\$0</u>	
5. Number of single-family permits issued (Camps N/A):	<u>0</u>	
6. Total dollar amount of projects in #5:	<u>\$0</u>	
7. Number of Trailers/Double Wide/Modular Homes:	<u>0</u>	
8. Number of Permit renewals:	<u>2</u>	
9. Number of Firework Permits issued:	<u>0</u>	
10. Total dollar amount of permits in #9:	<u>\$0</u>	
11. Fire inspections (Annual) to date	<u>9</u>	

Respectfully Submitted by:

Tyler Monthony

# Town of Indian Lake Highway Department

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## Monthly Report – March 2026

March gave us a break with only 11" of new snowfall. In addition to plowing and sanding the crew kept busy scraping ice off roads, moving snow piles and cutting weep holes in snowbanks to assist with runoff from thaw. Towards the end of the month we began undressing the trucks (removing sanders, plows, head gear) and started prepping and servicing the equipment for summer. Additional task included:

- Repaired Veteran banners
- 3/13: Swept Pelon and Benton roads for Irish Road Bowling event
- 3/20: Posted weight limit signs on Town roads
- Cleveland Rd: Storm damage repair (washout on hill)
- Cutting brush along roads
- Started hauling sand for next winter

### Garage / Equipment:

- Purchased a new broom for sweeping roads
- Located a diesel Ventrac tractor for clearing sidewalks, sweeping roads, blowing leaves. >> Requesting Board approval to purchase.
- Underwent construction in the main bay to make room for the tire machine
- Installed WorkEasy fingerprint time clock

### Mining Pit Status:

- Pit 1 & 2 renewal = approved
- Pits 3 & 6: Met with Lenny Croote from HCSWCD to discuss drawing new maps and completing the APA & DEC applications. Next step: the Highway Dept. will dig test holes to determine the amount of good material available for mining before proceeding.

Submitted by Eugene Darling  
Highway Superintendent  
April 9, 2026

# Town Of Indian Lake Water and Wastewater report for March 2026

State required testing was completed daily at treatment plants.

DEC, DOH samples were collected, and sent to the lab.

DEC, DOH operation reports were submitted.

Borrowed Hamilton County's loader to clear fire hydrants, shoveled fire hydrants.

Installed a new breaker and surge protector for our tower communications in the control box on Tower Hill.

Excavated and replaced box, rod on two curbstops for customers with leaks in Indian Lake.

Worked on/ thawed frozen water line in Blue Mountain.

Fixed a service line leak in Indian Lake.

Repairs / start up of 2nd clarifier in Sewer Plant for spring high flow season.

Installed a new Decant pump in the Indian Lake water plant.

Worked with Parks and Rec to jet plugged sewer line at the Welcome Center.

Respectfully - Evan LaPrairie

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Evan LaPrairie", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

## Building maintenance report March 2026

March has been a very busy month, and for the first time in a long time we had no major breakdowns during the Snowmobile season. The small machines have been returned back to the shop for maintenance and prepping for next season. The big machine up in Moose River Plains is waiting for the County to bring it back to town after the roads reopen. We went to Vermont picked up our new drag which unfortunately came the day after our Snowmobile season ended. After the season was over we have spent many days in the woods cutting trails, fixing culverts, knocking down brush and working on bridges.

We salted all walks, shoveled and plowed as needed to all town buildings and the transfer station. Blue Mountain restrooms are stocked and cleaned Mondays and Fridays, Blue Mountain Dam is wide open for the runoff and has been for the entire month of March. We checked the Blue Mountain Dam twice a week on Mondays and Fridays while we're doing our garbage run.

Many times this month we had heating issues at both health center and Library, the system is getting older and there should be some repairs made and boilers should start being replaced.

The sewer line at the welcome center plugged up again and I had to use a snake from the new clean out we installed to get the line open again. This spring we are going to dig up the line on State Street and do a sewer line replacement, I believe the slip lining has come down inside the pipe and we may have to put in a new sewer tap.

Clean out at the museum has started, all items in the museum have been moved to storage, all paper is in the Ski Hut building locked up in the back garage and any items we thought could be destroyed or ruined by being left in the cold have been put in the building as well. The museum is now empty we will begin stripping the vinyl siding in the coming weeks.

Many wind storms have had us cleaning up branches on some town property, trees down at Byron Park, and Blue Mountain transfer station have been hauled away.

The Townhall project and new records room is under construction now, we were able to reuse door, hide the plumbing in the wall, this will give our town clerk a 10 x 10 area in which to store files and safes.

Unfortunately one of the new norms is running to North Creek for parts and we did that five times this month. Parts runs were also made to Glens Falls and Vermont to pick up the new tracks for our groomer, these tracks are a replacement free of charge as an upgrade.

All Town trucks have been taken to O'Connor's for New York State motor vehicle inspection.

Thank you  
Bill LaPrairie  
Dept head building maintenance





## April 13, 2026, Town of Indian Lake Board Meeting Economic Development, Marketing & Events Report

### Community/Economic Development

**Remote Worker Meet Up** was held on March 10 from 5 to 7pm at the Welcome Center with 12 RSVPs, however only 7 attended. This is an ANCA initiative to connect remote workers to others. Feedback included the need for a grocery store and coffee shop with WiFi.

**HAMCO History** We joined this group of historians and other community leaders to help promote the county's history and involvement in celebrating America250. Monthly newsletters are available at the Welcome Center.

**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. Planning for Hamilton County Recreation Day has started. This year the event will be held at Chef Darrell's Mountain Diner.

**Career Day at ILCS** Kylie was invited and attended Career Day at ILCS on Friday, March 27. There were 11 speakers in attendance. The afternoon started with lunch with the junior and senior classes followed by a panel of all the speakers in attendance. After this, we broke off into rooms for a pre-prepared hands-on activity. My activity had the students creating a new event for Indian Lake. I had the students draw a season or holiday to start and then showed them what events we already had planned for the year using our Events Brochure. I provided worksheets that outlined every detail that should be planned, which included venue, time, audience they wanted to attract, methods of advertising, food, activities, music, budget, etc.

**Lifeguards** Two additional lifeguards are getting certified during the week of April 6<sup>th</sup>. One returning lifeguard has completed his recertification of CPR. Christine and Kylie took a refresher course on lifeguard management as well as written test.

**Town Map Project** This project is almost complete, and we should have new maps for distribution before June.

**Speculator Chamber Business Expo** Christine visited this one-day event and suggests we should participate next year.

**Indian Lake Job Fair** is scheduled for Saturday, April 18 at the Ski Hut. Five different employers have signed up to date.

**Housing Steering Committee** will host two community input meetings on Wednesday, April 29: at the Welcome Center from 11:30am to 12:30pm and at Town Hall from 4 to 5pm.

### Events

**Easter Egg Hunt** with the Town and Library was held Saturday, April 4. We filled 500 eggs to prepare but kids kept coming in so we refilled approximately 200 additional eggs. The Easter Bunny's appearance was a big hit! Kudos to the library staff for offering great crafts for the kids to do after the hunt was over.

**Community Pride Day** is set for May 6 with 42 volunteers to date. ADK Heart and L&J Catering and Moore will be the lunch sponsor again this year.

**Black Fly Challenge** work continues with this event which will be on June 13. A volunteer recruitment event will be held at The Bear Trap on May 14 at 5:30pm. Food and beverages are free and paid for by Black Fly Challenge group. NYSDOT permit has been approved.

**Music in the Park** has been scheduled for the summer.

**Monarch & Pollinator Festival** is scheduled for Saturday, June 20. From 9am to 1PM we will be engaging up to 150 volunteers to help plant 5,500 plant plugs at the landfill site. The festival portion of the day will be from 2 to 5PM with DIY crafts and educational tabling about all butterflies and pollinators.

**Independence Day** plans are well under way for America250 Celebration. Letters were sent to various community organizations to encourage participation in the day activities as well as the parade. NYSDOT permit has been approved. More to follow.

### Marketing/General Admin

**Adirondack Summer Sports Expo** Kylie attended in Saratoga will be March 14-15, 2026. We shared a booth with the Chamber of Commerce as we did last year. Together they spoke to close to 600 attendees. Most popular questions were about directions, lakes, and activities. We also added 150 people to our e-newsletter list.

**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://www.facebook.com/Townsofindianandbluemountainlakeny>

<https://www.instagram.com/townof.indianlakeny/>

<https://twitter.com/TownofIndianLa1>

<https://nextdoor.com/page/town-of-indian-lake-indian-lake-ny-2/>

<https://www.tiktok.com/@townofindianlakeny>

**NEW YouTube Channel** to live stream Board Meetings:

<https://www.youtube.com/@TownofIndianLakeNY>

### Technology/Miscellaneous

Thanks to our Town Mechanic we now have new brakes on the EV car.

## TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE SUMMER CONCERTS 2026 LINE-UP:



ALL CONCERTS ARE LOCATED AT  
6298 NYS ROUTE 30, UNLESS NOTED\*

**Mark Arsenault: July 4 @6pm \*Byron Park**

**Finger Diddle: July 18 @7pm**

**Grit N Grace: August 8 @7pm**

**Psycho Mutton Chops: August 15 @7pm**

**Tame The Rooster: September 12 @7pm**

**Rocky & The Moose Men: September 26 @4pm**

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## Grants

An updated grant report is included with this report.

Hamilton County Soil & Water District We are in the process of submitting to their Caring for Conservation program on 4/3/26.

Schumer and Gillibrand Congressionally Directed Spending Requests were sent in by Lake Champlain Lake George Regional Planning Board on our behalf to support infrastructure improvements for The Commons project for \$1.5M each.

NYSDEC ADK Smart Growth Grant Round 8 We were awarded \$300,000, a transformative grant to assist with the rebuild of the Town Museum. Contract should be delivered in early May.

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.

Northern Forest Adirondack Housing Pre-Development Assistance Program RFP We received a due diligence report which was distributed to the Board. Next steps proposed by Northern Forest is to (1) hire an ecologist to delineate the wetlands on the property, (2) hire a planning/design firm to develop more detailed concepts based on the earlier master plan The Commons; (3) advance technical assistance to issue a Request for Expression of Interest to developers. Northern Forest does have funding to support these items and can help seek additional funding if needed. Our Housing Steering Committee will host two community input meetings on Wednesday, April 29: at the Welcome Center from 11:30am to 12:30pm and at Town Hall from 4 to 5pm

DEC EV Charging Stations Reimbursement paperwork was submitted on 3/27/26.

DEC Byron Park Extension has been approved through July 2026. Plan is to install outdoor solar lights as well as reviewing additional enhancements.

Adirondack Community Foundation Generous Acts We did not receive this grant. I will be looking for other funding opportunities.

### Meetings

- 3/10 Remote Meet Up Event
- 3/10 ROOST AFDK Hub meeting in Newcomb
- 3/19 Smart Growth Grant workplan meeting with SDA in Bolton
- 3/25 Zoom with AdkAction re: pollinator project
- 3/27 Zoom with BFC at 6pm
- 4/1 SDA Project meeting

**Respectfully submitted by Christine Pouch and Kylie Cannan on 4/9/2026.**

TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE GRANT REPORT as of March 24, 2026									
Grant Name (Agency)	Total Project	Town Request to Agency	Town Match	Amount Received To Date	Date Submitted	Date Awarded	Award Type	Contract Dates	Notes
<b>Pending Approval</b>									
Gillibrand Congressionally Directed Spending		\$1,500,000	\$0		4/1/2026				Infrastructure water & sewer for The Commons
Schumer Congressionally Directed Spend!		\$1,500,000	\$0		4/1/2026				Infrastructure water & sewer for The Commons
ALCA Statewide Community Regrants	\$4,610,000	\$4,610,000	0		2/14/2026		Direct Pay		Awards TBD Spring/Summer: \$2750 Music in the Park; \$1200 Paint Out; \$660 Monarch Fest
Subtotal Pending	\$4,610	\$3,004,610	\$0						
<b>APPLICATION IN PROGRESS as of 9/29/25</b>									
NYSDEC: ADK Smart Growth Round 8	\$384,000	\$300,000	\$84,000	\$0	10/1/2025	2/13/2026	Reimbursement	4/1/26 to 3/31/2029	3/23/26: revising Work Plan and Waiting for final Contract
5Towns Allocation	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	5/30/2025	5/30/2025	Appropriation		Paperwork sent, we won't receive funds until NYS Budget is approved. For Town Museum
Northern Forest Housing Partnership				\$0					Technical Assistance grant; ni funding involved.
DCEC EVSE Charging Stations (DEC)	\$262,985	\$236,687	\$26,299	\$0	9/26/2022	4/14/2023	Reimbursment	10/1/21 to 9/30/25- amendment to 9/30/26	Had to file an extension as the charging stations weren't finished by 9/30/25. Preparing for closeout as of 10/31/25
Byron Park Improvements/Branding for Trailhead Signage (DEC)	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$0	\$82,870	2017	4/1/2017	Quarterly Report and Expense reimbursement	4/17/17 to 7/31/2026	extension granted to 7/31/2026
Blue Mountain Lake Water Project - WIIA	\$7,144,200	\$3,000,000	TBD		9/2/2021	5/25/2022			Extension approved
Blue Mountain Lake Water Project - IJA/BILL- GS Grant via EFC	same as above	\$2,000,000				11/18/2025		in effect through 9/30/26	

Blue Mountain Lake Water Project - IJA/BIL-GS Interest Free Financing via EFC	same as above	\$2,144,200											Financing interest free for a term up to 30 years
Lake Adirondack Dam Project	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000											Bond Anticipation Note issued May 7, 2025 and due May 7, 2026.
<b>Subtotal In Progress</b>	<b>\$15,311,185</b>	<b>\$15,200,887</b>	<b>\$110,299</b>	<b>\$82,870</b>									
<b>DASNY SAM GRANTS as of 8/1/25</b>													
Lake Adirondack Dam Project (DASNY)	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$0				Member Item						Member Item SAM #7914; emailed 3/23/2026
Essex Chain Lake Equestrian Project (DASNY)/ Transfer Project to Multi use Trail System	\$338,380	\$50,000				8/1/2015	Member Item						Member Item SAM #6505; email 3/23/26
<b>Subtotal DASNY SAM</b>	<b>\$7,858,380</b>	<b>\$2,550,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>									
<b>Grand Total Pending &amp; In Progress</b>	<b>\$18,174,175</b>	<b>\$20,755,497</b>	<b>\$110,299</b>	<b>\$82,870</b>									

**FLIP OVER FOR MORE INFO**

<b>Completed in 2024 and 2025</b>													
EV Car Rebate	\$7,500	\$7,500	N/A	\$0	Jul-24	1/23/2025	Direct pay out	N/A					Funds rec'd December 2025
NYS SWIMS	\$27,950	\$9,950	\$18,000	\$0	11/9/2024	4/1/2025		4/1/25 to 9/30/25					Funds rec'd December 2025
ALCA Statewide Community ReGrants	\$5,150,000	\$5,000,000	\$150,000	0	2/18/2025	8/1/2025	direct pay	12/31/2025					completed on Feb. 2026.
Indian Lake Townsend Purchase (DASNY)	\$368,375	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000	9/17/2015	7/31/2025	Member Item	done 7/31/25					Member Item SAM #6948
Hamlet Gateway Facilities Smart Growth Grant (DEC)	\$98,000	\$73,500	\$24,500	\$64,974	3/31/2017	8/1/2017	Quarterly Report and Expense reimbursement	8/1/17 to 3/31/24					Completed on 3/31/24. Final reimbursements total \$64,974.08 (Note: We did not spend the whole grant amount - \$8,525.02)
Adirondack Foundation Generous Act Fund	\$32,505	\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500	2/13/2024	4/24/2024	Pay out	Annual					(Generator
Statewide Community ReGrants	\$2,400	\$1,800	\$0	\$1,600	2/28/2024	6/18/2024	Direct Pay	annual					Indian Lake Paint Out
Statewide Community ReGrants	\$3,500	\$1,350	\$0	\$1,350	2/28/2024	6/18/2024	Direct Pay	annual					Monarch Festival

Black Fly Challenge Multiuse Trail Request	\$23,300	\$5,300	N/A	\$5,300	7/1/2024	7/8/2024	Direct Pay	N/A	Funds being used for 3rd trail
Adirondack Community Recreationa Alliance - Multiuse Trail System	\$23,300	\$3,000	N/A	\$3,000	1/26/2024	5/1/2024	Direct Pay	N/A	Funds being used for 3rd trail
Natural Heritage Trust - Town of Indian Lake Multi-Purpose Recreational Trail System	\$23,300	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000	Jan-24	7/3/2024	Reimbursment	6/1/2024 - 5/31/26	last installment rec'd 11/21/24
HCSWD Caring Through Conservation Grant	\$1,628	\$1,628	\$0	\$1,628	Oct-24	1/15/2024	Reimbursment	N/A	Reimburse for Monarch Trail & Festival
<b>Completed Total</b>	<b>\$616,908</b>	<b>\$431,528</b>	<b>\$42,650</b>	<b>\$400,352</b>					
In Partnership with									
ADK Action Pollinator and Recreator Friendly Capped Landfill Restoration (DEC Smart Growth)	\$124,000	N/A	Maintenance & Upkeep	N/A	1/31/2024	Apr-24	reimbursement	12/31/2026	ADK Action is lead applicant

**Not Funded**

T-Mobile Hometown Grant	\$27,629	\$26,340	\$1,289		3/31/2025				Not funded.
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EARLY SPRING 2026

# Newsletter

STAY IN THE LOOP WITH UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS!

AT A GLANCE

- CELEBRATE HISTORY IN HAMILTON COUNTY, NEW YORK
- UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND THE CELEBRATION
  - LEGENDS AND LORE
  - TOURS AND TALKS

## What's Happening



Hamilton County towns, historians, museums, and historical societies — along with many others dedicated to honoring and commemorating the founding the United States — are planning and hosting a variety of events to celebrate this important chapter in our nation's history.

### Pomeroy Markers:

Does your community have a great piece of folklore that should be shared? Legends & Lore® is designed to promote cultural tourism and commemorate legends and folklore as part of our heritage. Is your town, museum or group interested in finding out more about the historical markers? The Pomeroy website is a great place to begin. William G. Pomeroy Foundation [www.wgpfoundation.org](http://www.wgpfoundation.org)

### HIGHLIGHT LOCAL STORIES WITH LEGENDS & LORE® MARKERS



Grant Round Now Open

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, APRIL 27



### Celebrate National Historic Marker Weekend 2026

April 24 through Sunday, April 26, join the history fun nationwide with family, friends, and neighbors by volunteering to clean and care for markers while learning about your local history and cultural heritage. Volunteers of all ages will help put the spotlight on unique community stories while making a difference. Share your project photos on social media with #NationalHistoricMarkerWeekend, and registered volunteers will be featured on the Foundation's Marker Weekend acknowledgments page. Sign up to volunteer today and learn more about planning your service project at [www.wgpfoundation.org](http://www.wgpfoundation.org).

# Legends and Lore of Hamilton County

Exploring how our upstate New York counties have stayed connected over time.



In the Revolutionary era, this whole region formed Tryon County. We revisit the shared routes and stories, including the trails that stretched across the central Adirondacks from the Mohawk Valley to Canada. This month we start with the account written by Fred Midgely, the Hope Town historian.

His interest in area folks recounting tales of early American cannons found in the Adirondacks spurred an actual adventure, hiking in the southern Adirondacks to chase down one of the tales.

## Cannon Search by Fred Midgley:

Ever since I moved to Hope New York in 1989, I have heard people tell tales of cannons littered about the North Woods. Some were allegedly left by Revolutionary War Loyalists that were escaping to Canada.

Indigenous peoples have long traveled through the Adirondacks developing trails that were later used by European fur traders and



explorers then French and Indigenous peoples have long traveled through the Adirondacks developing trails that were later used by European fur traders and explorers then French and Indian War times; to the Revolutionary War era and later, the War of 1812. At some point a cannon carriage could have broken, or a carriage could have gotten mired down in the mud and left behind. Who knows?

I worked with a lifelong Wells resident at the Sacandaga Campsite in Wells in 1998, who would point across the West Branch of the Sacandaga River and say, "There's a cannon over there!".

Yes, cannons have indeed been found along the old Native trails and military roads. Two cannons were found between Long and Tupper Lakes in the 1930's and were said to have come from Sir William Johnson Hall as Sir John Johnson escaped with his Loyalists and Mohawk allies from the Patriots in Johnstown.

The story tells of Sir John Johnson and a group of about 170 Natives, Loyalists, and tenants who left their belongings behind in the Adirondacks during their escape to Canada in May of 1775. But the question remains—where were these items left?

Over the years, people have shared stories of other cannons hidden in the Adirondacks, such as a small signal cannon found near Garnet Lake in Johnsburg in 1970. A Forest Ranger once told me he saw a cannon sticking out of the ground in a swamp near New Lake in Warren County.

My hope has been to find a cannon somewhere in Hamilton County to show how important this area was during the American Revolution as the 250th anniversary approaches in 2026. Though Hamilton County didn't yet exist and few lived here at the time, the land was well traveled. This was Mohawk country, where paths followed the rivers and streams used for hunting and fishing.

European hunters and trappers also passed through from what was then Tryon County. The Forest Ranger who shared his story has since passed away, but I know where "Hell Hole" is, and I have visited before. The place fits

# Revolutionary Veteran of the Month Captain Loring Peck

Written by Aaron Weaver, Lake Pleasant Historian



It is true that Hamilton County, New York wasn't settled by European descentance till after the American Revolution. Also, it is true that battles didn't occur here at the time and the region was only used for escaped Loyalists as well as possibly using them same routes with Native American allies to invade other parts of upstate New York. But to say that celebrating the 250th Independence and the Birth of the United States of America doesn't deserve as much recognition as other counties in the State of New York who felt and saw the conflict of the Revolutionary War, is a false statement within itself. For many of the first European settlers were veterans of the American Revolution and the land in Hamilton County was bought by or given as pension to these veterans.

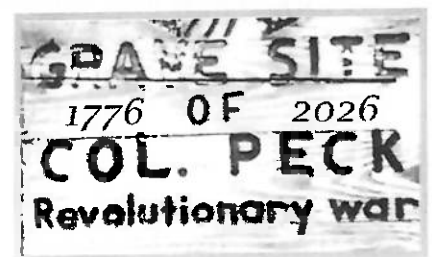
In the transition from the British Tryon County to a more unique name associated with the newly formed nation they chose to honor Alexander Hamilton, one of the Founding Fathers. Some of these Revolutionary War veterans were the founders of towns in Hamilton County including our beloved Lake Pleasant!



Many of the veterans and their families and first descendants started settling in Lake Pleasant from the 1790's to the 1810's. One family who is recognized as one of the first settler families were the Pecks. They arrived in (what was then part the Town of Wells in Montgomery County) Lake Pleasant around 1811. After buying some of the property of their neighbors, Ebenezer and Amos Green, Lt. Col. Loring Peck, his wife, three of his sons, their wives and a free African descendant boy began building a farm.

Loring Peck was the patron of the family, and was well respected in the community. Peck was a Captain under Col. Christopher Lippitt's 2nd Rhode Island Regiment of the Continental Army during the American Revolution. Originally from Bristol, Rhode Island, he was also an officer under Babcock's 6th Co. of Rhode Island troops, plus many other Rhode Island Regiments and militias.

Loring Peck didn't become Lieutenant Coronel till after the war ended and was in the Senior Class Regiment of Newport and Bristol Rhode Island. Like many officers during that time, Peck wanted to settle down and work on his farm. Over the years he eventually moved to Lake Pleasant, New York. He and his family are recognized as not only one of the founders of the Town of Lake Pleasant, but the ones who may have saved the town from extinction during the War of 1812.



This year, I will be giving tours to Lt. Col. Peck's family grave site. Plus, I will be placing a display in the Town of Lake Pleasant's History Museum about the three American Revolutionary War veterans who are buried in our town. The Peck's Tour will be on June 30th and August 11th. These events will begin that the Lake Pleasant Library around 3p.m. where I will show a video that explains how to find the Peck's family grave site and some history of the family. I will then share a few more facts about Loring Peck before the group heads out by vehicle to the path that leads to the family grave site. Along the path, I will talk about the birth of Lake Pleasant and how the Pecks helped saved the region during the War of 1812. There will be stops along the way of ruins that was

**DRAFT**

**PROCUREMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR THE  
TOWN OF INDIAN LAKE**

**ADOPTED \_\_\_\_\_, 2026**

Resolution offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Adoption of policy**

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY** the Town Board of the Town of Indian Lake, County of Hamilton, State of New York, that the following procurement policy and procedures, which conform to the requirements established by General Municipal Law (GML) 104-b, Procurement Policies and Procedures, **AND;**

**IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED,** that goods and services not required by law to be procured pursuant to competitive bidding must be procured in a manner as to assure the prudent and economical use of public monies in the best interest of the taxpayers; to facilitate the acquisition of goods and services of maximum quality at the lowest possible cost under the circumstances; and to guard against favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud, and corruption. To further these objectives, the governing board has adopted an internal policy and procedures governing all procurements of goods and services which are not required to be made pursuant to the competitive bidding requirements of General Municipal Law, section 103, or of any other general, special, or local law, **AND;**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Town of Indian Lake, County of Hamilton, State of New York does hereby adopt the following policies and procedures pursuant to GML 104-b governing all procurements of goods and services which are not required to be made pursuant to the competitive bidding requirement.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>
JOHN RATHBUN	COUNCILPERSON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
JAKE MAHONEY	COUNCILPERSON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PAMELA HOWARD	COUNCILPERSON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PATRICK MAHONEY	COUNCILPERSON	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BRIAN WELLS	TOWN SUPERVISOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## **ADOPTION OF POLICY**

This procurement policy and procedures for the Town of Indian Lake, County of Hamilton, State of New York shall replace any previously approved policies.

### **Procedures for Determining Whether Procurements are Subject to Bidding**

The procedures for determining whether a procurement of goods or services is subject to competitive bidding and documenting the basis for any determination that competitive bidding is not required by law are as follows:

#### **Guideline #1**

Every prospective purchase of goods or services shall be evaluated to determine the applicability of GML, §103. Each Town office, board, department head, or other personnel with the necessary purchasing authority shall estimate the total amount of supplies or equipment required for a given fiscal year. That estimate shall include consulting with other town departments and reviewing past expenditures to assess the likely annual value of the items to be acquired. The information gathered and the conclusions reached shall be documented and retained with the purchase file or other supporting documentation.

#### **Guideline #2**

All purchases of supplies or equipment that will exceed **\$35,000** in the fiscal year, or public works contracts over **\$50,000**. Shall be formally bid pursuant to General Municipal Law §103.

#### **Guideline #3**

*A: All estimated purchases of:*

- Less than **\$35,000 but greater than \$20,000** require a written request for proposal (RFP) and written/fax quotes from 3 vendors.
- Less than **\$20,000 but greater than \$5000** requires an oral request for the goods and written/fax quotes from 2 vendors.
- Less than **\$5000 but greater than \$1500** are left to the discretion of the purchaser and the Town Supervisor. For any purchase under \$ 1500, the purchase is authorized by the department head.

*B: All estimated public works contracts of:*

- Less than **\$50,000 but greater than \$30,000** requires a written RFP and fax/proposals from 3 contractors.
- Less than **\$30,000 but greater than \$20,000** requires a written RFP and fax/proposals from 2 contractors.
- Less than **\$20,000 but greater than \$5000** are left to the discretion of the purchaser and the Town Supervisor. For any purchase under **\$5000**, the purchase is authorized by the department head.

*C: Any written RFP shall describe the desired goods, quantity, and the particulars of delivery. The purchaser shall compile a list of all vendors from whom written/fax/oral quotes have been requested and the written/fax/oral quotes offered. All information gathered in compliance with the procedures of this section shall be preserved and filed with the documentation supporting the subsequent purchase or public works contract. (Retained in the Principal Accountants' Office).*

#### **Guideline #4**

Awarding of purchase or contract. The lowest responsible proposal or quote shall be awarded the purchase or public works contract **unless** the purchaser prepares a written justification providing reasons why it is in the best interest of the town and its taxpayers to make an award to other than the low bidder. If a bidder is not deemed responsible, facts supporting that judgment shall also be documented and filed with the record supporting the procurement.

#### **Guideline #5**

Inability to obtain the required number of proposals and documentation. A good-faith effort shall be made to obtain the required number of proposals or quotations. If the purchaser is unable to obtain the required number of proposals or quotations, the purchaser shall document the attempt made to obtain the proposals. In no event shall the inability to obtain the proposals or quotes be a bar to the procurement.

#### **Guideline # 6**

When there is a rational basis and it is in the best interest of the taxpayers of the Town of Indian Lake for the procurement of an item from a vendor within the Town of Indian Lake and the proposed price or bid by such Indian Lake vendor shall be no greater than 10% higher than the lowest bid or proposal from a vendor outside the Town of Indian Lake the item may be purchased from a vendor within the Town of Indian Lake.

#### **Guideline #7**

Except when directed by the Town Board, no solicitation of written proposals or quotations shall be required under the following circumstances:

- Emergencies. GML. Section 103{4}
- Postage
- Sole source situations.
- Goods purchased from agencies for the blind or severely handicapped.
- Goods purchased from correctional facilities.
- Goods purchased from another governmental agency.
- Goods purchased at auction.
- Electric, gas, telephone, internet, propane
- Goods purchased for less than **\$1500**.
- Public works contracts for less than **\$5000**
- Goods purchased under NYS -awarded contracts.
- Goods purchased under other municipal contracts or awards (Piggybacking Law)
- Professional Services under **\$40,000**
  1. Professional Services and Insurance can involve significant dollar expenditures. Therefore, it is in the Town's best interest to review professional services over **\$40,000** annually and solicit proposals for those Professional Services. Professional Services deemed unnecessary for solicitation, when in the best interests of the town, must have prior Town Board approval
  2. Insurance coverage should be evaluated, and proposals from competing agents should be entertained at least once every three years.

**Guideline # 8**

The Town Highway Superintendent does not require Town Board approval for purchases of tools and/or equipment not exceeding \$ 10,000. (Reviewed annually).

**Guideline #9**

No vendor or contractor shall be selected that owns, uses, or occupies for business purposes, property in the Town of Indian Lake that violates any provisions of the Code of the Town of Indian Lake about use and occupancy of the property, after a notice from the Town of Indian Lake as to a violation and a reasonable opportunity to bring the property into compliance.

**Guideline #10**

Annual review of policy. This policy shall be reviewed annually by the Town Board at its organizational meeting or as soon thereafter as is reasonable or practicable.

**Purchase Order Approval Process**

- All above guidelines must be met, documented, and submitted to the town board for approval if goods exceed \$1500 and, public works exceed \$5000, and service agreements exceed \$40,000
- All abstracts/vouchers/and attached documentation will be available for review the morning of the Town Board meeting
- Each voucher/bill shall require the signature of the department head
- No voucher will remain open longer than 60 days without Town Board approval
- In the event of an emergency, a voucher may be released before Town Board approval, but must be approved by the Town Supervisor

**Purchase/use of recycled materials**

This is to encourage the purchase and use of recycled materials and products. When any of the guidelines of this procurement policy require that more than one quote or RFP be obtained, at least one should be for recycled materials and products. To the extent under General Municipal Law (GML), preference should be given to vendors whose products utilize or contain recycled materials and to contracts that utilize materials in public works contracts.

**Responsibility for Town purchases**

Pursuant to NYS GML 104, effective \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, the Town is including the positions of the municipal employees responsible for purchasing decisions as follows:

- Town Supervisor
- Town Principal Account Clerk
- Town Clerk
- Town Tax Collector
- Town Justices (2)
- Town Highway Superintendent
- Town Code Enforcer
- Town Assessor
- Town Events/Activities Directors (2)
- Town Parks Supervisor

- Town Water/Sewer Superintendent

I, Taylor A Miner, Town Clerk of the Town of Indian Lake, County of Hamilton, State of New York, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy with the original resolution filed in the office the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, and it is a true and correct copy thereof.

In testimony thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Town of Indian Lake on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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**Taylor A Miner, Town Clerk**

**SEAL:**

# 2026 NAPA AutoTech In-Person Training



May 5, 2026

## TACTICAL DIAGNOSTIC SERIES – THE DAY IN THE ELECTRIFIED BAY – EV AND HYBRID VEHICLE REPAIRS

Cost: \$90/Tech, \$160 for 2+ Techs

\* Includes class training booklet, food and beverage, and ClassPass 24/7 access to class information - [napaautotechtraining.com](http://napaautotechtraining.com)

**Food & Beverage: 5:30PM**

**Class begins at 6PM sharp**

**Location: Courtyard Marriott: 5920 Cascade Rd., Lake Placid, NY 12946**

### CLASS DESCRIPTION:

Take a guided tour through a working EV repair bay and discover how electric vehicles are reshaping the modern shop. From major component repairs to routine maintenance, this course shows how EVs can become a reliable revenue stream in today's service landscape. You'll observe diagnostics and repairs on multiple EV platforms from various manufacturers, with a focus on proper tool usage, safety protocols, and proven techniques. Whether you're new to EVs or expanding your capabilities, this class delivers hands-on insight into the future of automotive service.

### RECOMMENDED FOR TECHNICIANS, SERVICE ADVISORS, SHOP OWNERS AND ALL AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE PROVIDERS.

- EV architecture overview across multiple platforms
  - High-voltage safety protocols and PPE usage
  - Common EV maintenance procedures and service intervals
  - Diagnostic strategies for EV-specific faults
  - Tooling requirements for safe and efficient EV repairs
  - Battery system inspection and service considerations
  - Thermal management systems and cooling diagnostics
  - Charging system components and troubleshooting
  - Revenue opportunities in EV service and repair
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- *Are you ready to turn EVs into a profitable part of your shop's workflow?*
  - *Do you know the safety steps before opening an EV hood?*
  - *What tools are essential for servicing high-voltage systems?*
  - *Can you diagnose EV faults without relying on guesswork?*
  - *Want to see how real shops are adapting to the electric future?*



## Brian E Wells

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**From:** John McGlade <johnbmcglade@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 24, 2026 12:55 PM  
**To:** Brian E Wells  
**Cc:** wastewater2@frontiernet.net  
**Subject:** Evan LaPrairie

Hi Brian:

I just wanted to drop you a quick note to share my appreciation for the excellent service I received from **Evan LaPrairie**, Foreman of the Water & Sewer Department.

Mr. LaPrairie was a pleasure to deal with. He's articulate, a problem solver and a genuinely nice man.

It is clear that he is a real asset to the Town of Indian Lake. Please pass along my sincere thanks to him and, if possible, add this commendation to his personnel file.

Best regards,

John

John McGlade  
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