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Lynn Sacha

To: @roadrunner.com
Subject: RE: LIDA

Steve,

I will forward your email to the Town Board and Johanna Coleman.

Lynn Sacha

-----Original Message-----
From: @roadrunner.com [mailto: @roadrunner.com]
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2015 3:59 PM
To: Lynn Sacha <LSacha@lancasterny.gov>
Subject: LIDA

Please let me take this time to formally request re-appointment to the Lancaster IDA Board for the upcomming year 2016

Respectfully submitted,
Steven Hoffman

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To: Johanna Coleman, Town Clerk

From: Neil Connelly, Planning Board Chair

Date: December 11, 2015

Re: Term Reappointment

As my term on the Town of Lancaster Planning Board expires at the end of this month, I hereby request to be reappointed for another term.

Furthermore, I ask for your support in naming me as the Chairperson of the Planning Board for 2016.

I will continue to strive to do my best in serving the Lancaster community.

Sincerely,

Neil R. Connelly

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December 10, 2015

Dear Lancaster Town Board:

This letter is written to express my interest in serving on the Town of Lancaster Recreation Commission beginning in 2016.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kevin Kelleher

Vice President – St. Mary's High School

e-mail: lancer@smhlancers.org ▪ website: www.smhlancers. org

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THE VILLAGE OF FARNHAM

MAYOR
Julie-Ann Gibbons

CLERK – TREASURER
Jackie Hoisington

CODE ENFORCEMENT
Paul Ryerse

WATER DEPT. / DEPT. PUBLIC WORKS
Ellsworth Nolan

TRUSTEES
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Jere Hoisington
George Cordia
Vincent Rovnak

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1977 Sales Tax Revenue Distribution Agreement

RESOLUTION

At a Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Farnham Board, Erie County, New York, held at the Farnham Village Hall, 526 Commercial St., Farnham, NY, in said Village on the 17th day of November 2015 there were present: Mayor Gibbons, Trustee Hoisington, Trustee Heller & Trustee Cordia.

Mayor Gibbons made a motion; second by Trustee Heller to approve the adoption of this resolution;

WHEREAS, on December 30, 1977, the County of Erie, the City of Buffalo, the City of Lackawanna and the City of Tonawanda entered into an Agreement in regard to the sales tax revenues distribution; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provided a disposition of 25.6858 percent to the cities and the areas outside the cities in proportion to their respective populations as determined in accordance with the latest decennial federal census; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provided an additional disposition of 10.0087 percent to the cities, but no additional disposition to the areas outside of the cities; and

WHEREAS, having not been updated for almost four decades, this formula now results in the cities in Erie County receiving more than twice as much sales tax revenue as the villages of Erie County on a per capita basis; and

WHEREAS, the largest component of property taxes are school district taxes; and

WHEREAS, the combination of the property tax cap and state mandates have lead to services and programs being cut by both villages and school districts; and

WHEREAS, the more equitable formula would allow villages, towns and school districts to reduce property taxes and to increase services and programs; and

WHEREAS, Section 3 of the Agreement dated December 30, 1977, provides that any time subsequent to November 30, 1982, each party to the agreement shall have the right to terminate said Agreement by giving one (1) year's prior written notice, served upon each of the parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Farnham supports the terminating of the current 1977 Sales Tax Revenue Distribution Agreement; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Village of Farnham further supports that a new formula for sales tax revenue distribution be put into place, which provides for a more fair and equitable distribution of sales tax to the cities and the areas outside the cities in proportion to their respective populations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Farnham further supports that any new formula for sales tax revenue distribution provides additional funds to school districts in order to allow school districts to provide more opportunities for their students and to reduce property taxes; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to each member of the Erie County Legislature, The Erie County Executive, the Town Supervisors and Village Mayors of Erie County.

Roll Call Vote as follows

Mayor Gibbons-AYE

Trustee Heller-AYE

Trustee Hoisington-AYE

Trustee Cordia-AYE

Trustee Rovnak-Excused

So moved

I, JACQUELINE M HOISINGTON, Village Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Farnham, do hereby certify that I have compared the forgoing with the original resolution adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Farnham meeting of said board on the 17th day of November, 2015 and that the forgoing is a true and correct transcript of the original resolution and of the whole thereof and said original resolution is on file in my office.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE Village of Farnham, this 17th day of November, 2015.

Jacqueline M. Hoisington

Jacqueline M. Hoisington

Clerk-Treasurer

Village of Farnham, New York

Village of Depew

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Lancaster IDA
21 Central Avenue
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To Whom It May Concern:

Please except this letter of intent. I Mayor Jesse Nikonowicz would like to be considered for the position on the Lancaster IDA Board.

Sincerely,

Jesse Nikonowicz
Mayor of Depew

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Johanna Colman

Lancaster Town Clerk

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Dear Johanna

I'm requesting the reappointment for the head bingo inspector, a position which I have held for the past 10 plus years. I'm also requesting the reappointment of the 2 bingo inspectors on my staff.

Wayne Robinson

Edward Weremblewski

Thank You

John T. Crinzi

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December 15, 2015

Honorable Town Board
Town of Lancaster
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

Dear Board Members:

Enclosed for each of the five school districts for which I am responsible are summaries of taxes collected, a consolidated report of the 2015-2016 school tax collection, and tax warrants.

Each school district has received its final settlement payment, summary report, and a list of unpaid taxes.

The Erie County Director of Budget, Management & Finance has received certification of unpaid taxes and all necessary documents to be attached to the final tax rolls. Payment of $41,994.92 has been made to the Supervisor for the town's portion of the penalty collected.

Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna M. Coleman
Town Clerk

cc: David J. Brown, Director of Administration & Finance
Jean Farmer, Assistant to the Supervisor
Enclosure

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STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ERIE **SS.:**
OFFICE OF THE ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

To: JOHANNA M. COLEMAN
RECEIVER/COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF LANCASTER

SCHOOL TAX WARRANT

For: 2015 – 2016 SCHOOL TAX **LANCASTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DIST. #1**
LC-1
$36,185,237.58

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 of the Real Property Tax Law ["RPTL"], and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 812 of the Laws of 1942 [the Erie County Tax Act; "ECTA"], as amended, to receive and collect, prior to the second day of December next ensuing the delivery of this Warrant, from the several persons and corporations and on the properties named and described in the school district tax roll for the **LANCASTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DIST. #1 LC-1**, to which this Warrant is annexed and which is delivered herewith, the several sums mentioned as school district taxes in the last column of such roll opposite the respective names or properties, together with your fees and penalties and interest charges as herein set forth; and to Pay Over and Account for such school district tax moneys at such times and in such manner as prescribed by Law. The amount of School District Tax moneys to be collected by you in said School District is **$36,185,237.58.**

Pursuant to RPTL § 1318, please take notice that $2,193,964.00 is the amount of assigned appropriated fund balance in the custody of the Board of Education and that such assigned appropriated fund balance has been applied in determining the amount of the School Tax Levy.

On all school district taxes paid on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing the publication or posting of the notice required by ECTA § 5-1.0, you are hereby directed to receive and collect, in addition to such school district taxes, an initial fee of one and one-half (1.5%) per centum, unless such initial one and one-half (1.5%) per centum fee has been waived by resolution of the town board; if such school district taxes are paid after October 15th and before November 3rd, seven and one-half (7.5%) per centum shall be added to and collected with such school district taxes; if paid on November 3rd and before December 1st, nine (9%) per centum shall be added. If such school district taxes are paid to the Director of Real Property Tax Services, pursuant to this Warrant, during the month of December, ten and one-half (10.5%) per centum shall be added.

The Director of Real Property Tax Services is hereby authorized, and this shall be his Warrant, to collect in the manner provided by Law any and all school district taxes appearing upon this school district tax roll and not collected by the above named collector-receiver.

In Witness Whereof, The Legislature of the County of Erie has, pursuant to Law, caused this Warrant to be signed by its Chairman and Clerk and the seal of the County of Erie to be affixed on this 1st day of September, 2015.

BY ORDER OF THE ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

_____ Chairperson

SEAL OF THE COUNTY OF ERIE

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To: JOHANNA M. COLEMAN
RECEIVER/COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF LANCASTER

SCHOOL TAX WARRANT

For: 2015 – 2016 SCHOOL TAX **DEPEW UNION FREE SCHOOL**
DUFC
$4,143,316.78

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 of the Real Property Tax Law ["RPTL"], and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 812 of the Laws of 1942 [the Erie County Tax Act; "ECTA"], as amended, to receive and collect, prior to the second day of December next ensuing the delivery of this Warrant, from the several persons and corporations and on the properties named and described in the school district tax roll for the **DEPEW UNION FREE SCHOOL DUFC**, to which this Warrant is annexed and which is delivered herewith, the several sums mentioned as school district taxes in the last column of such roll opposite the respective names or properties, together with your fees and penalties and interest charges as herein set forth; and to Pay Over and Account for such school district tax moneys at such times and in such manner as prescribed by Law. The amount of School District Tax moneys to be collected by you in said School District is **$4,143,316.78.**

Pursuant to RPTL § 1318, please take notice that $2,300,000.00 is the amount of assigned appropriated fund balance in the custody of the Board of Education and that such assigned appropriated fund balance has been applied in determining the amount of the School Tax Levy.

On all school district taxes paid on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing the publication or posting of the notice required by ECTA § 5-1.0, you are hereby directed to receive and collect, in addition to such school district taxes, an initial fee of one and one-half (1.5%) per centum, unless such initial one and one-half (1.5%) per centum fee has been waived by resolution of the town board; if such school district taxes are paid after October 15th and before November 3rd, seven and one-half (7.5%) per centum shall be added to and collected with such school district taxes; if paid on November 3rd and before December 1st, nine (9%) per centum shall be added. If such school district taxes are paid to the Director of Real Property Tax Services, pursuant to this Warrant, during the month of December, ten and one-half (10.5%) per centum shall be added.

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Chairperson

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To: JOHANNA M. COLEMAN
RECEIVER/COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF LANCASTER

SCHOOL TAX WARRANT

For: 2015 – 2016 SCHOOL TAX **ALDEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #1**
AC-1
$737,417.50 ✓

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 of the Real Property Tax Law ["RPTL"], and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 812 of the Laws of 1942 [the Erie County Tax Act; "ECTA"], as amended, to receive and collect, prior to the second day of December next ensuing the delivery of this Warrant, from the several persons and corporations and on the properties named and described in the school district tax roll for the **ALDEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 AC-1**, to which this Warrant is annexed and which is delivered herewith, the several sums mentioned as school district taxes in the last column of such roll opposite the respective names or properties, together with your fees and penalties and interest charges as herein set forth; and to Pay Over and Account for such school district tax moneys at such times and in such manner as prescribed by Law. The amount of School District Tax moneys to be collected by you in said School District is **$737,417.50.**

Pursuant to RPTL § 1318, please take notice that $3,000,000.00 is the amount of assigned appropriated fund balance in the custody of the Board of Education and that such assigned appropriated fund balance has been applied in determining the amount of the School Tax Levy.

On all school district taxes paid on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing the publication or posting of the notice required by ECTA § 5-1.0, you are hereby directed to receive and collect, in addition to such school district taxes, an initial fee of one and one-half (1.5%) per centum, unless such initial one and one-half (1.5%) per centum fee has been waived by resolution of the town board; if such school district taxes are paid after October 15th and before November 3rd, seven and one-half (7.5%) per centum shall be added to and collected with such school district taxes; if paid on November 3rd and before December 1st, nine (9%) per centum shall be added. If such school district taxes are paid to the Director of Real Property Tax Services, pursuant to this Warrant, during the month of December, ten and one-half (10.5%) per centum shall be added.

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To: JOHANNA M. COLEMAN
RECEIVER/COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF LANCASTER

SCHOOL TAX WARRANT

For: 2015 – 2016 SCHOOL TAX **CLARENCE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**
CLC1
$694,628.33

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 of the Real Property Tax Law ["RPTL"], and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 812 of the Laws of 1942 [the Erie County Tax Act; "ECTA"], as amended, to receive and collect, prior to the second day of December next ensuing the delivery of this Warrant, from the several persons and corporations and on the properties named and described in the school district tax roll for the **CLARENCE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CLC1,** to which this Warrant is annexed and which is delivered herewith, the several sums mentioned as school district taxes in the last column of such roll opposite the respective names or properties, together with your fees and penalties and interest charges as herein set forth; and to Pay Over and Account for such school district tax moneys at such times and in such manner as prescribed by Law. The amount of School District Tax moneys to be collected by you in said School District is **$694,628.33.**

Pursuant to RPTL § 1318, please take notice that $1,850,000.00 is the amount of assigned appropriated fund balance in the custody of the Board of Education and that such assigned appropriated fund balance has been applied in determining the amount of the School Tax Levy.

On all school district taxes paid on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing the publication or posting of the notice required by ECTA § 5-1.0, you are hereby directed to receive and collect, in addition to such school district taxes, an initial fee of one and one-half (1.5%) per centum, unless such initial one and one-half (1.5%) per centum fee has been waived by resolution of the town board; if such school district taxes are paid after October 15th and before November 3rd, seven and one-half (7.5%) per centum shall be added to and collected with such school district taxes; if paid on November 3rd and before December 1st, nine (9%) per centum shall be added. If such school district taxes are paid to the Director of Real Property Tax Services, pursuant to this Warrant, during the month of December, ten and one-half (10.5%) per centum shall be added.

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To: JOHANNA M. COLEMAN
RECEIVER/COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE TOWN OF LANCASTER

SCHOOL TAX WARRANT

For: 2015 – 2016 SCHOOL TAX **IROQUOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #1**
IRC1
$150,389.53

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, pursuant to the provisions of Article 13 of the Real Property Tax Law ["RPTL"], and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 812 of the Laws of 1942 [the Erie County Tax Act; "ECTA"], as amended, to receive and collect, prior to the second day of December next ensuing the delivery of this Warrant, from the several persons and corporations and on the properties named and described in the school district tax roll for the **IROQUOIS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 IRC1,** to which this Warrant is annexed and which is delivered herewith, the several sums mentioned as school district taxes in the last column of such roll opposite the respective names or properties, together with your fees and penalties and interest charges as herein set forth; and to Pay Over and Account for such school district tax moneys at such times and in such manner as prescribed by Law. The amount of School District Tax moneys to be collected by you in said School District is **$150,389.53.**

Pursuant to RPTL § 1318, please take notice that $1,773,612.00 is the amount of assigned appropriated fund balance in the custody of the Board of Education and that such assigned appropriated fund balance has been applied in determining the amount of the School Tax Levy.

On all school district taxes paid on or before the 15th day of October next ensuing the publication or posting of the notice required by ECTA § 5-1.0, you are hereby directed to receive and collect, in addition to such school district taxes, an initial fee of one and one-half (1.5%) per centum, unless such initial one and one-half (1.5%) per centum fee has been waived by resolution of the town board; if such school district taxes are paid after October 15th and before November 3rd, seven and one-half (7.5%) per centum shall be added to and collected with such school district taxes; if paid on November 3rd and before December 1st, nine (9%) per centum shall be added. If such school district taxes are paid to the Director of Real Property Tax Services, pursuant to this Warrant, during the month of December, ten and one-half (10.5%) per centum shall be added.

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In Witness Whereof, The Legislature of the County of Erie has, pursuant to Law, caused this Warrant to be signed by its Chairman and Clerk and the seal of the County of Erie to be affixed on this 1st day of September, 2015.

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_____ Chairperson

SEAL OF THE COUNTY OF ERIE

Karen M. McCarthy Clerk

FINAL REPORT
SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
2015-2016

WARRANTS	$41,910,989.72
7.5% PENALTY	41,994.92
1.5% INTEREST	3,470.32
TOTAL	$41,956,454.96

BASE TAX PAID TO SCHOOLS	$41,038,576.56
7.5% PENALTY PAID TO TOWN	41,994.92
1.5% INTEREST PAID TO SCHOOLS	3,470.32
UNCOLLECTED TAXES	864,629.03
PETITIONS	7,784.13
TOTAL	$41,956,454.96

As of December 1, 2015, 97.92% of the warrant has been collected and 96.62% of the parcels are paid in full.

The percentage of the warrant collected by school district is as follows:

Lancaster Central	98.04%
Depew Union Free	96.86%
Alden Central	96.43%
Clarence Central	99.09%
Iroquois Central	100.00%

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OVER PAYMENTS & REFUNDS	**24**	**$ 30,627.40**
APPROVED PETITIONS & COURT ORDERS	**5**	**$ 7,784.13**
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	**171**	**$ 176,819.41**
WEB PAYMENTS	**156**	**$ 359,697.33**
POS PAYMENTS	**35**	**$ 56,586.55**

LANCASTER CENTRAL
SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
2015-2016

WARRANT	$ 36,185,237.58
7.5% PENALTY	36,171.28
1.5% INTEREST	2,657.19
TOTAL	$ 36,224,066.05

BASE TAX PAID TO SCHOOL	$ 35,475,696.34
7.5% PENALTY PAID TO TOWN	36,171.28
1.5% INTEREST PAID TO SCHOOL	2,657.19
UNCOLLECTED TAXES	702,726.27
PETITIONS	6,814.97
TOTAL	$ 36,224,066.05

Johanna M. Coleman
Town Clerk

Dated: 12/08/15

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SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
2015-2016

WARRANT	$ 4,143,316.78
7.5% PENALTY	4,696.36
1.5% INTEREST	667.70
TOTAL	$ 4,148,680.84

BASE TAX PAID TO SCHOOL	$ 4,013,071.78
7.5% PENALTY PAID TO TOWN	4,696.36
1.5% INTEREST PAID TO SCHOOL	667.70
UNCOLLECTED TAXES	130,245.00
TOTAL	$ 4,148,680.84

Johanna M. Coleman
Town Clerk

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ALDEN CENTRAL
SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
2015-2016

WARRANT	$	737,417.50
7.5% PENALTY		545.67
1.5% INTEREST		86.75
TOTAL	$	738,049.92

BASE TAX PAID TO SCHOOL	$	711,121.47
7.5% PENALTY PAID TO TOWN		545.67
1.5% INTEREST PAID TO SCHOOL		86.75
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		25,326.87
PETITIONS		969.16
TOTAL	$	738,049.92

Johanna M. Coleman
Town Clerk

Dated: 12/08/15

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CLARENCE CENTRAL
SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
2015-2016

WARRANT	$	694,628.33
7.5% PENALTY		476.79
1.5% INTEREST		52.69
TOTAL	$	695,157.81

BASE TAX PAID TO SCHOOL	$	688,297.44
7.5% PENALTY PAID TO TOWN		476.79
1.5% INTEREST PAID TO SCHOOL		52.69
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		6,330.89
TOTAL	$	695,157.81

Johanna M. Coleman
Town Clerk

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IROQUOIS CENTRAL
SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION
2015-2016

WARRANT	$	150,389.53
7.5% PENALTY		104.82
1.5% INTEREST		5.99
TOTAL	$	150,500.34

BASE TAX PAID TO SCHOOL	$	150,389.53
7.5% PENALTY PAID TO TOWN		104.82
1.5% INTEREST PAID TO SCHOOL		5.99
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		0.00
TOTAL	$	150,500.34

Johanna M. Coleman
Town Clerk

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Dino J. Fudoli

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Supervisor Dino Fudoli and
Council Members
Town of Lancaster
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, NY 14086

Dear Supervisor Fudoli and Honorable Council Members:

I respectfully request that James Everett and David Suttell be reappointed to the Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department's Recreation Commission. These men have served faithfully for a number of years and will continue to help guide our Recreation program now and into the future.

Also, there are two vacancies on the Recreation Commission. I respectfully request that Daniel Rinow, Depew, NY 14043 and Kevin Kelleher, , Lancaster, NY 14086, be appointed to these positions. Mr. Rinow has been a commission member in the past and brings great insight to this position. Mr. Kelleher has been involved in youth activities his entire life with an emphasis on youth sports.

These two reappointments and appointments will ensure that our Recreation Department continues to serve the citizens of Lancaster now and definitely in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark D. Lubera

Mark D. Lubera
Park Crew Chief

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Cc: Johanna Coleman, Town Clerk
Dan Amatura, Highway Superintendent

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Lancaster Town Board
%Johanna M. Coleman
Lancaster Town Clerk

Dear Town Board

I would like to respectfully submit my application for a position on our Assessment Board of Review, a position I held for the Town of Maryland (a township just outside Cooperstown and Oneonta, NY) before my return to the Buffalo area.

I may be interested in other open town boards or commissions, having served as an alderman in the city of Oneonta with duties as Deputy Mayor, Real Estate Evaluation Negotiator, Finance Committee chairman, Liaison to the town of Oneonta, the Environmental Board, and Fire Department.

I'm retired, have the time and energy to give back to the community I've grown to love.

Sincerely,

Jim Sheff

Jim Sheff

Lancaster, NY 14086

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Lancaster Town Clerk
Ms. Johanna M Coleman
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

Dear Ms. Coleman;

I read with interest in the Sunday addition of the Buffalo News your request for interested parties to submit in writing a letter to your attention to serve the town on a citizen's board or commission.
As a lifelong resident of both Depew and Lancaster for the majority of my seventy four years I would be proud to serve in such a capacity.

I have over the years been active in other civic endeavors and would consider your consideration an honor. I am retired at this time but my work career centered on management and engineering positions. I feel strongly that I could provide insight in a fresh way to many of the issues facing our community.

Please feel free to contact me at your convenience should you wish to peruse this with me further.

Sincerely

Paul J Ziolkowski

Lancaster, NY 14086

Email @roadrunner.com

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JOHANNA M. COLEMAN
Town Clerk

MEMO

To: **Captain Marco Laurienzo**

From: **Johanna M. Coleman, Town Clerk** JMC

Re: **Police Protection**

Date: **December 16, 2015**

I am requesting that a uniformed police officer be stationed in the Town Hall Tax Office Monday through Friday from February 5, 2016 through Tuesday February 16, 2016 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Since our office is open to collect tax payments during times that extend beyond the preceding dates and times, I request that we have police protection for the following times as well:

Saturday, February 13	**9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**
Monday, February 15	**9:00 AM to 12:00 PM**
Tuesday, February 16	**9:00 AM to 6:00 PM**

I thank you in advance for your attention to this request.

cc: Town Board

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TOWN OF LANCASTER
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
525 PAVEMENT ROAD
LANCASTER, NY 14086

Daniel Amatura
Highway Superintendent
Tel (716)683-3426
Fax (716)685-0271

COMMUNICATIONS

December 16, 2015

Honorable Town Board
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, NY 14086

Dear Honorable Town Board:

I would appreciate the Town Board deeming our Spectra-Physics Laserplane 220 Serial Number 17626 as surplus equipment. This laser is damaged beyond repair.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully yours,

Daniel Amatura
Highway Superintendent
Town of Lancaster

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Recreation & Forestry

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Supervisor Dino J. Fudoli
and Honorable Council Members
Town of Lancaster
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, NY 14086

Dear Supervisor Fudoli and Honorable Council Members:

I respectfully submit the following individual for your consideration to be appointed to the position of part-time permanent employee in the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department. The position will be for 19 hours a week without benefits.

NAME	**POSITION**	**PAY RATE/HR.**
Alan Friedrich Bowmansville	Laborer	$12.00

This appointment is retro-active to December 9, 2015. Should you approve, I would like to request that a resolution be placed on the agenda for the Monday, December 21, 2015 Town Board meeting.

Sincerely,

Mark D. Lubera
Park Crew Chief

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COMMUNICATIONS

December 16, 2015

Honorable Town Board
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, NY 14086

Dear Honorable Town Board:

Attached please find an agreement between the Town of Lancaster and Pavement Sand and Gravel for disposing of leaves, wood chips and brush collected by the Town of Lancaster Highway Department. I would appreciate you sponsoring a resolution approving this agreement.

Should you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully yours,

Daniel Amatura
Highway Superintendent
Town of Lancaster

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Attachment
Cc: John Dudziak, Town Attorney
Johanna Coleman, Town Clerk

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Kevin E. Loftus
Deputy Town Attorney

Leza E. Braun
Clerk Typist
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To: Johanna Coleman, Town Clerk

From: John M. Dudziak, Town Attorney

Date: December 15, 2015

Subject: The Creekside at Pleasant Meadows Subdivision 6; Phase 2

Dear Mrs. Coleman:

Enclosed please find the Maintenance Bond for the Street Lighting public improvement for the above-referenced subdivision for your records.

Please prepare a resolution accepting P.I.P. No. 744 (Street Lights) for the next scheduled board meeting.

If there are any questions, please call.

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DAVID DIPIETRO
Assemblyman 147th District

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Johanna M. Cole
Town Clerk
Town of Lancaster
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, NY 14086

Dear Ms. Cole;

This letter acknowledges the receipt, of the following resolution adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Lancaster on December 7th, 2015 received in the Assembly District Office on December 14, 2015th:

Res.# "Safe Staffing for Quality Car Act" supporting the passage of New York Assembly Bill 01548 and Senate Bill 00782

I appreciate being informed about each of these important issues as they have an effect on my constituency, and I value your provision of this information as I continue to represent the 147th Assembly District. Please let me know if I may be of additional assistance. Thank you.

Sincerely,

David J. DiPietro

David DiPietro, Assemblyman
147th District of the State of New York

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JEFFREY H. SIMME, CCI
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RE: Ed Henning Inc.
911 Ransom Road
Application for 2016 License to Operate a Salvage Yard

Dear Mrs. Coleman:

I am notifying you that the above referenced property is in compliance with all applicable codes. Therefore, I request that your office prepare a resolution authorizing the issuance of this license to Ed Henning Inc. at 911 Ransom Road, Lancaster, New York for the year 2016.

If you have any question in regard to this matter please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey H. Simme
Supervising Code Enforcement Officer

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RE: Anthony E. Renkas, dba AJ's Auto LLC.
955 Ransom Road
Application for 2016 License to Operate a Salvage Yard

Dear Mrs. Coleman:

I am notifying you that the above referenced property is in compliance with all applicable codes. Therefore, I request that your office prepare a resolution authorizing the issuance of this license to Anthony E. Renkas, dba AJ's Auto LLC at 955 Ransom Road, Lancaster, New York for the year 2016.

If you have any question in regard to this matter please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey H. Simme
Supervising Code Enforcement Officer

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Town of Lancaster
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

RE: Ransom Auto Parts
867 Ransom Road
Application for 2016 License to Operate a Salvage Yard

Dear Mrs. Coleman:

I am notifying you that the above referenced property is in compliance with all applicable codes. Therefore, I request that your office prepare a resolution authorizing the issuance of this license to Ransom Auto Parts at 867 Ransom Road, Lancaster, New York for the year 2016.

If you have any question in regard to this matter please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey H. Simme
Supervising Code Enforcement Officer

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PRESS RELEASE

December 17, 2015

Lancaster Town Clerk Johanna Coleman has issued a reminder to all residents of the Town of Lancaster that if a street light is out and it is located in the Town of Lancaster outside of the Villages of Lancaster and Depew, please call the Supervisor's Office at 683-1610 to report the problem.

If the light is out in the Village of Lancaster, please call New York State Electric & Gas Corporation customer service 1-800-572-1111.

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December 17, 2015

Supervisor Elect Johanna Coleman
Honorable Town Board
Town of Lancaster
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

RE: 2016 Appointment

Dear Supervisor Elect Coleman & Honorable 2016 Town Board:

I respectfully request the Board's consideration for reappoint as the Town Attorney/Prosecutor for the Town of Lancaster at the reorganization meeting on January 4, 2016.

Over the last ten (10) years, I have gained valuable experience in the area of Municipal Law. As you know, there are many complicated issues that affect the Town of Lancaster and I feel my experience has afforded me the opportunity to direct the Town competently and ethically. Additionally, as the Town Prosecutor, I will continue to strive to ensure that the public safety of our community is of utmost importance. Furthermore, I have developed professional working relationships with the police, elected officials, department heads and our valuable employees. I will continue to utilize those relationships to serve the public.

It has been my honor to serve the Town Board and the residents of the Town of Lancaster and look forward to continuing my public service.

Thank you for your consideration, please call with any questions.

Respectfully,

John M. Dudziak, Esq.
Town Attorney
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CC: Diane Terranova, Town Clerk Elect

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December 15, 2015

Morgan Fay
Payroll Supervisor
21 Central Avenue
Lancaster, New York 14086

Dear Morgan,

I intend to retire from service with the Town of Lancaster effective December 31, 2015. My last day of employment will be December 30, 2015.

Sincerely,

Johanna M. Coleman, Town Clerk

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 17, 2015

TO: Johanna Coleman, Town Clerk

FROM: Chief Gerald J. Gill, Jr.

SUBJECT: Articles/Communications

Please place the attached documents on communications.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Enclosures

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East Aurora man arrested in gunpoint ATM robbery

on December 4, 2015 - 2:21 PM
, updated December 4, 2015 at 2:28 PM

A 31-year-old East Aurora man was arrested late Thursday night and accused of robbing an ATM customer by gunpoint at a Citizens Bank branch at 4964 Transit Road in Cheektowaga, Cheektowaga Police reported.

Michael W. Johnson was charged with second-degree robbery, criminal use of a firearm, and third-degree criminal possession of a weapon. Hamburg Police are investigating whether Johnson is responsible for a similar robbery in their town on Dec. 1.

Police were called to the bank by the 53-year-old woman who reported that the robber displayed a handgun, took her ATM card and forced her to divulge her PIN number. After the thief unsuccessfully tried to get money from the ATM, he fled, police said.

Johnson was arrested shortly after a clerk at a nearby store observed a man pull up to the ATM at the NOCO station at Transit Road and Como Park Boulevard, police said. The man ran into the store and then ran out, prompting the clerk to note the license plate number of the truck the man was driving, police said. Lancaster police located the man in the parking lot of a supermarket and a silver handgun in the grass along the sidewalk on Transit Road.

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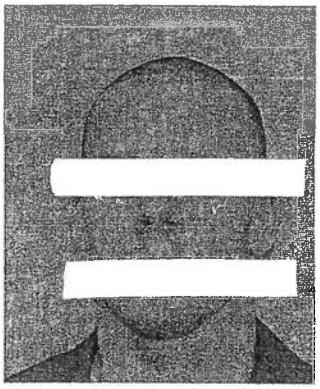

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COMMENTS

Banks, police meet to discuss best practices

by JULIE HALM
Editor

Managers of several area banks and personnel from the Lancaster Police Department sat down on Monday to discuss safety issues and how the two can collaborate to reduce crime and increase apprehension of suspects.

(See editorial on page four)

"The idea was that we would convene a group of the managers of the community banks in an effort to discuss best practices for purposes of increasing bank employee safety, bank customer safety, officer safety and increase the likelihood of apprehension of any potential offender," said Lancaster Police Chief Gerry Gill.

According to Gill, bank robberies are not a frequent occurrence in the area, but improving practices around those instances is important nevertheless.

"We do not have robberies that are regularly occurring, and we're very grateful for that," he said.

Gill additionally noted that often addiction can lead individuals to crimes such as bank robbery.

"We certainly have a gambling addiction problem in Western New York, not to mention a drug addiction problem, and that's oftentimes who runs afoul of the law in this realm," said Gill.

Representatives of six banks, including the Bank of Akron, Key Bank, M&T Bank, Alden State Bank, Lancaster Depew Federal Credit Union and Bank of America, attended Monday's event, and patrolmen and detectives from the Police Department were also present.

"We broke it down into two components: the patrol response and the investigatory, the Detective Bureau," said Gill.

Among the points covered at the meeting was the importance of memory recollection on the part of bank tellers and employees as well as the necessity of maintaining the integrity of the scene and any potential evidence for the Detective Bureau.

This is not the first time the department has met

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Banks

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with business representatives, having recently met with hotel and motel operators for a similar purpose.

"I think the idea was that the format was based on the idea that times are changing and you know, despite the fact that we have a professional and well-trained police force and a safe community, we are not immune to crime," said Gill.

Bee Editorial

Lancaster police go above and beyond

This week, the Lancaster Police Department and several banks throughout the area put their heads together to improve overall safety for members of the community.

The strategies they discussed will be beneficial for bank employees and bank owners, but also for those of us who use those banks and for the police as well.

By paying attention to all of these fronts, the department's meeting with the banks is beneficial for just about every member of the community.

In recent months, police across the country have been getting some less-than-positive press, but this meeting is a perfect example of the number of ways in which police strive every day to make our lives easier and more secure.

The reality is that police officers don't simply go on patrol and ruin your day by handing you a speeding ticket. There is much more to the job than that.

We are particularly lucky in this area that we have a police force that not only seeks to track down and arrest criminals, but to prevent crime and educate members of the community as to how they can help make things safer as well.

The police conducting this meeting with members of the banking community is not actually a new concept.

There are frequently issues that arise with hotels and motels in the Lancaster area, several of which tend to be related to drug use problems.

Much like with the banks, members of the Lancaster Police Department met with individuals involved in that industry to brainstorm and discuss how they could help police and how police could in turn help them.

Lancaster Police Chief Gerry Gill has made it known that it is his intent to work with members of the business community throughout Lancaster in ways that will create safer circumstances throughout the town.

As in any town, members of the Police Department in Lancaster have a variety of issues to deal with.

These range from drug addiction, which is on the rise throughout Western New York, to petty crime, which is often a result of those addictions, to 178 incidences of domestic violence that were reported in Lancaster and Depew last year, according to the state Department of Criminal Justice.

While their hands are full, our local police force continues to try to do more for the residents of this community, and that is something for which we should all be appreciative.

Lancaster Police Department
525 Pavement Road
Lancaster, NY 14086

December 2, 2015

Dear Chief Gill,

I wanted to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for allowing me the chance to intern with your department this school semester. As I continue pursuing a career in the law enforcement field this internship program has helped me more than words can explain. Prior to starting this internship I was unsure if a career in law enforcement was the right fit for me. I can say today after successfully completing the program it has bolstered my decision to further pursue a career as a police officer. I never fully understood from a law enforcement perspective what being a police officer was like aside from what I've seen on television. With this being said I've gained a new found respect for our police officers. First off I want to tell you how impressed I was with your department and staff as a whole. You have outstanding officers and genuine people in your department. Every time I arrived at the station your dispatchers would greet me with a smile and take care of anything I needed. Every officer would take the time to explain things to me and answer any questions I had especially Officer Mike Gozdalski. I was extremely fortunate to have him by my side and I think he did a superb job as well as leaving a positive impact on me. He went above and beyond for me as far as organizing various events to what fit my schedule and he was highly professional and demonstrated his leadership and dedication. Some of the events I participated in were taser instruction class, several ride along, ERT, and court days. I not only learned a substantial amount regarding law enforcement but also valuable life lessons that I hope to apply to my career in law enforcement. Officer Gozdalski shared his life experiences on being a police officer and what to expect. He also shared how to get into different agencies and what the academy is like which was very helpful to me. It's a shame that the program has to come to an end but I just want you to know I really enjoyed it and will never forget the tremendous experiences it has provided me. I am looking forward to hopefully joining the Lancaster Police Department in the near future.

Thank you for this wonderful opportunity.

Sincerely,

Matthew Kozlowski

Matthew Kozlowski
Lancaster, NY 14086

Two Lancaster men charged with drug possession in OP

Two Lancaster men were arrested in an Amelia Drive parking lot for allegedly having several bags of suspected heroin in their possession and in their vehicle, according to Orchard Park police.

Officers responded to a complaint of a suspicious man on Monday afternoon in the Quaker Crossing plaza, police said.

It was reported that a man was walking around carrying a wooden stick, looking disoriented and out of place.

Officers located the man, Tyler Vannebogart, 23, of Lancaster and his friend, Brian Babcock, 23, also of Lancaster, near their car in the parking lot, according to the report

While investigating the call, officers located drug paraphernalia and several bags of suspected heroin in the individuals' vehicle and on their persons, police said.

Officers also noticed the car's dealer license plate appeared to have been color copied and laminated and applied to the face of another license plate in order to avoid the proper registration of the vehicle, police said.

Vannebogart and Babcock were then taken into custody and the vehicle was impounded, the report said.

Vannebogart was charged with: two counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree; criminal possession of a hypodermic needle and possession of a controlled substance outside its original container.

Babcock was charged with: two counts of criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree; criminal possession of a hypodermic needle; possession of a controlled substance outside its original container; criminal possession of a forged instrument in the second degree; improper use of dealer plates; unregistered motor vehicle; uninspected motor vehicle; and uninsured motor vehicle.

Vannebogart and Babcock were arraigned in Orchard Park Town Court and were released without bail.

Both are set to reappear on a future date.

Lancaster captain, Clarence trooper, earn black belts in jiu-jitsu

by JULIE HALM
Editor

Jiu-jitsu is both an athletic endeavor and an art form of sorts.

For Capt. William J. Karn Jr. of the Lancaster Police Department and Trooper Joseph Indelicato, it is also a method of improving their professional skills and teaching many others an effective form of self-defense in the meantime.

Karn and Indelicato were recently awarded their black belts in the Brazilian form of fighting, which is no easy feat, according to Karn, who said the average individual will train for roughly a decade to achieve that level.

The fighting technique originated in Japan and comes from a grappling technique used by samurai when hand-to-hand combat was needed against opponents wearing armor, Karn said.

The grappling aspect of the sport has remained one of the most important facets as jiu-jitsu evolved through history and from Japan to Brazil and eventually, to the United States.

"It developed into judo, and several people who knew judo would travel and challenge people," said Karn.

One such person made his way to Brazil where the technique became used in street fighting.

Karn began his studies in martial arts with karate but said that with most types of fighting, practitioners will say that it can be highly effective and dangerous, but that is not how it is practiced so the efficacy is a matter of faith.

When Karn trains and teaches at Indelicato's school — Buffalo Combat Fitness at 3068 Main St. in Buffalo — each class ends with sparring.

Karn Jr.

"You get to test your techniques. You're maybe not going 100 percent, but you're pretty close," said Karn. "That's one of the things that's great about jiu-jitsu. Your opponent is resisting so you know it's going to work. You don't have to take someone's word for it."

Karn also noted that the form of fighting largely focuses on leverage, joint locks and holds that allow a smaller opponent to successfully subdue a much larger opponent.

Both Karn and Indelicato know how important defending oneself can be, as they are both defensive tactics trainers for their respective agencies.

According to Karn, Indelicato teaches defensive tactics for New York State Police Troop A and is also regularly assigned to instruct the new recruits at the New York State Police Academy in Albany.

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Lancaster captain *(Continued from page one)*

Karn is the lead defensive tactics instructor for the Lancaster Police Department and has also taught in the past at the Erie County Central Police Services Law Enforcement Training Academy.

"We both use our knowledge of jiu-jitsu when instructing use of force to our fellow officers to help keep them safe," said Karn. He added that the technique is very practical for law enforcement officers because it can be used to control a suspect without causing the person serious injury.

The school is taking new students and offers a discount to students, military personnel, law enforcement officials and families.

email: julieh@beenews.com

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Youth Bureau

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DEC 17 2015
SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE

To: Dino Fudoli, Supervisor

From: John Trojanowsky

Re: Part Time Temporary Seasonal Help – Wage Adjustment

Date: December 16, 2015

We need to adjust the rate of pay for Mary Darmstedter and Judy Trusiak from $8.75 to $9.00 per hour to comply with the new minimum wage standard effective January 1, 2016.

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Mr. Dino Fudoli, Supervisor
Town of Lancaster
21 Central Ave.
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Dear Supervisor Fudoli:

I am requesting, effective 12/31/15 that Linda Frost's hourly pay be increased to $9.00 to meet the new minimum wage for New York State.

Sincerely,

Mary Bartz

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