

TOWN OF LOCKPORT

2026 FALL EDITION



From the Desk of the Supervisor

Heavy Rainfall Events

Heavy rain can put tremendous pressure on our community's sewer system. While we cannot control the weather, there are steps every homeowner can take to help reduce unnecessary inflow and infiltration (I&I) and prevent sewer backups.

One important item homeowners should check is the sewer vent or clean out located in their front yard. Residents should make sure the vent is approximately 4 to 6 inches above ground level, where applicable. A properly positioned vent helps prevent storm water from entering the sanitary sewer system during periods of heavy rainfall.

The need for residents to take a closer look became especially clear during the rainstorm of August 2-3, 2026. During that storm, the Niagara County sewer system reportedly had to handle more than 60 million gallons of wastewater, compared with a normal day-to-day flow of approximately 7 million gallons. That is an enormous increase in volume. When large amounts of rainwater enter the sanitary sewer system, the additional water must be transported and treated just like wastewater. This increases the cost of operating and treating the system. Even more importantly, excessive inflow can overwhelm the system and contribute to sewer backups, potentially affecting homes and businesses.

Sump Pumps Are Another Concern

Homeowners should also be aware of how their sump pumps are connected. Sump pumps are designed to remove groundwater from around a home and discharge it safely. They should not be connected to the sanitary sewer system.

Connecting a sump pump to the sanitary sewer introduces large amounts of relatively clean groundwater into a system that was not designed to handle it. Such connections are illegal and can contribute significantly to sewer-system overload during heavy rainfall. If you are unsure whether your sump pump or another drainage connection is properly installed, consider having it inspected by a qualified professional.

Every Homeowner Can Make a Difference

Keeping rainwater out of the sanitary sewer system is a community effort. Homeowners can help by:

- Checking the sewer vent or cleanout in the front yard and making sure it is properly elevated, where applicable.
- Making sure sump pumps are not connected to the sanitary sewer.
- Checking for other possible sources of stormwater

entering the sanitary sewer.

- Having questionable connections inspected by a qualified plumber or sewer professional.
- Reporting concerns to the appropriate municipal or sewer authorities.

The goal is simple: keep both rainwater and wastewater where they belong. When millions of gallons of unnecessary water enter the sewer system during a major storm, everyone ultimately pays the price through higher treatment and operating costs and an increased risk of backups. By taking a few minutes to inspect our properties and correct improper connections, Lockport residents can work together to protect our homes, reduce the strain on the sewer system, and help control future sewer expenses. A little attention to these things today can help prevent a much bigger problem tomorrow.

~Mark Crocker



VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Veterans Day:

Wednesday, November 11th, 2026 at 9:30 am
Cold Springs Cemetery: Lockport, NY

Presentation by:

American Legion Commander, Mike Hanley

Guest Speaker:

Senator Rob Ort

National Anthem by Pete Robinson

Echo Taps by John Reich & John Cable

Bell Tower Patriotic Chimes by Ken Gaskill

Contact: Sally McKnight email coldspringscem@aol.com

Thank you
Veterans

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what's going on in the Town of Lockport!



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OFFICE HOURS

Town Court: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Mon. - Fri.
Town Hall: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

Building & Assessing Department:
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Mon. - Fri.

Offices Closed

Columbus Day - Monday, October 12th
Election Day - Tuesday, November 3rd
Veterans Day - Wednesday, November 11th
Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 26th
Day after Thanksgiving - Friday, November 27th
Christmas Eve Day - Thursday, December 24th
Christmas - Friday, December 25th
New Years Day - Friday, January 1st 2027

UPCOMING TOWN BOARD MEETING

**6:30 p.m. at the
Town Hall, 6560 Dysinger Road**

October 7th
November 4th
December 2nd

GET OUT AND VOTE 2026

Tuesday, November 3rd

IS YOUR AMERICAN FLAG WORN OUT OR FADED?

Bring your flag to the Drop Box
located in the foyer of
Town Hall.

We will then forward it to
Boy Scout Troop 82
to have it properly retired.



Town Clerk's Office

NEED TO GET YOUR HUNTING OR FISHING LICENSE?

Conservation Licenses may be purchased at the Town Clerk's office located at 6560 Dysinger Road during regular business hours. You can contact the Clerk's office at 439-9524 with any questions prior to your visit. **To purchase a hunting license you must have completed the proper hunter safety course and present your certificate.** Please visit www.dec.gov for any further information or clarification.

You need a hunting license if you are:

- 12 years and older and using a firearm or bow to hunt or take wild game. Persons under age 12 cannot hunt
- Annual hunting licenses and privileges are valid from September 1 through August 31 each year.

- All licensed hunters 12 and older can apply for deer permits as well.

You need a fishing license if you are 16 years and older

- Fishing licenses do not require a training course and expire one year from date of purchase or renewal.



AARP® Driver Safety Program

Instructions for the Mature Driver Six hours of Classroom Instructions

- Safety tips
- Safe following distance
- Right-of-Way situations
- Left turn rules
- Temperature conditions of icy roads
- Defensive driving tips
- Parking lot danger spots
- Medications that may cause problems
- How to handle adverse driving conditions
- Many other preventative measures

Insurance deductions may apply!

TWO 3 HOUR SESSIONS
Thursday, October 15th &
Friday, October 16th, 2026
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Lockport Town Hall
Limited to 15 people
\$25.00 AARP Members
\$30.00 Non-members

**Registration closes October 9, 2026
THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS**



Return enrollment application to:

Lockport Town Clerk - AARP Driver Safety; 6560 Dysinger Road, Lockport, NY 14094

Please enroll ☐ me/ ☐ us in the AARP Driver Safety Program on October 15th and October 16th 2026.
Enclosed is a check/money order **Made Payable to: "AARP"** (No Cash Please)

Name: ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss ☐ Ms. _____

Street: _____

Lockport, NY 14094 Phone: (716) _____

AARP# _____ (Please list AARP# on check.)

CHANGES TO ENHANCED STAR FOR INCOME AND APPLICATION

Jill Fowler, Assessor

If you are currently receiving the **BASIC STAR EXEMPTION**, and will be turning 65 by December 31, 2027, you could be eligible for **ENHANCED STAR**.

The income limit for the 2027-2028 school tax year is \$113,550, as verified by the 2025 Federal or State Income Tax Return. Income is Adjusted Gross MINUS any Taxable IRA Distributions

CHANGES:

You NO longer apply at the Assessor's Office. NYS Dept of Taxation and Finance will notify you and the Assessor's Office if you qualify for an Enhanced STAR exemption. (Currently, this is all the information we have.)

If NYS needs more information to determine your eligibility, such as in cases of someone who does not file an income tax return, then they (NYS) will send a letter requesting information. They will not call you.

If you are receiving the STAR CREDIT (a check from NYS), the State will be checking for age and income to verify your qualification.

Community News

NOTE FROM BUILDING INSPECTOR

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detector: Now is a good time to replace batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors going into the fall and winter season. Smoke/CO detectors should be replaced after 10 years of use with new 10-year battery smoke/CO detectors.

Fire Hydrants: Fire Code of NYS: A 3 foot clear space shall be maintained around the circumference of a fire hydrant.

Open Burning NYSDEC: Open Burning is permitted for small recreational fires including small cooking and campfires.

Burning of waste products or garbage is prohibited, including newspaper, paper products, plastic, chemically treated wood (pressure treated) and plywood. If you have a complaint regarding this, please contact the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation AT 1-877-457-5680. They are available 24/7

Bill Youngman - Town of Lockport Building/Zoning

6200 Robinson Rd., Lockport, NY 14094

716-439-9527 • Fax: 716-439-9532

e-mail: byoungman@elockport.gov

From the Dog Control Officer

Just a reminder, it is most important that dog owners be aware of the Town of Lockport Code sections which adhere to dog control as follows:

TOWN OF LOCKPORT CODE

§ 80-4 LICENSING AND IDENTIFICATION.

Any person owning, harboring or having care, custody or charge of any dog shall, at all times, be in full compliance with the obligations established pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law §§ 109, relating to licensing, and 111, relating to identification of dogs.

§ 80-3 RUNNING AT LARGE PROHIBITED

No person owning, harboring or having care, custody or charge of any dog shall allow or permit such dog to run at large in the Town of Lockport unless effectively restricted or controlled by a person by means of a leash not exceeding 15 feet in length.

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS!!

TOWN OF LOCKPORT DOG ENUMERATION

As required by Article 7 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, any dog 4 months of age or older must

be licensed in the local Town they are sheltered in. If your dog's license is current, no further action is required. For unlicensed dogs, please fill out the form below and **return it with the required information:**

1. Updated rabies certification from veterinarian
2. Spay or neuter certificate
3. Check payable to "Lockport Town Clerk"

The fees for licensing per dog are as follows:

1. Spayed/Neutered \$8.00
2. Unspayed/Unneutered \$18.00

Following the enumeration, an additional house to house follow-up may be performed, at which time an additional enumeration fee of \$25.00 will be added for unlicensed dogs, please contact the Town Clerk's office 716-439-9524 with any questions.

By order of The Town Board

Jim Hildreth, Dog Control Officer

Judith Newbold, Lockport Town Clerk



DOG LICENSE APPLICATION (List additional dogs on a separate sheet)

Owner's Name: _____ Signature _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Dog's Name: _____ Dog's Breed _____

Dog's Age: _____ Dog's Gender: _____ Spayed/Neutered: Yes ___ No ___

Dog's Color: _____ Tattoos/Markings: _____

Microchip Number _____

Highway Department



BRUSH PICK-UP: The FINAL brush pick up weeks for the year are October 19th and November 16th. Please have your brush out by Sunday night. We pick up throughout the whole town. If you miss these, we will resume brush pick up in March. The first pickup in 2027 will be week of March 15th 2027. **Please refer to our guidelines on our website at elockport.gov under highway department.**

REFUSE/RECYCLING: Please have your garbage and recycling out by 6 am. If it isn't picked up by 2 pm, call the highway clerk at 439-9522.

BULK PICK UP: Modern Disposal will pick up 4 large items during the first full week of each month. If they don't take it with the regular garbage truck, please be patient and they will come back with another truck. This includes any carpet / flooring / wood planks you may have. Bulk Weeks (Up to 4 large items put out on regular garbage day to be picked up by Modern).

- October 4th – 9th 2026
- November 1st – 6th 2026
- December 6th – 11th 2026



REFUSE & RECYCLING 2026 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

ALL OTHER HOLIDAYS EXCEPT THE ONES LISTED BELOW WILL FOLLOW REGULAR COLLECTION SCHEDULE.

NOVEMBER 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
23	24	25	26	27	28
MONDAY'S COLLECTION	TUESDAY'S COLLECTION	WEDNESDAY'S COLLECTION	THANKSGIVING NO COLLECTION	THURSDAY'S COLLECTION	FRIDAY'S COLLECTION

DECEMBER 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
21	22	23	24	25	26
MONDAY'S COLLECTION	TUESDAY'S COLLECTION	WEDNESDAY'S COLLECTION	THURSDAY'S COLLECTION	CHRISTMAS NO COLLECTION	FRIDAY'S COLLECTION

DECEMBER 2026/JANUARY 2027

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2
MONDAY'S COLLECTION	TUESDAY'S COLLECTION	WEDNESDAY'S COLLECTION	THURSDAY'S COLLECTION	NEW YEAR'S DAY – NO COLLECTION	FRIDAY'S COLLECTION

LAST CHANCE FOR ELECTRONICS RECYCLING FOR 2026!

Come on out to see us on **Saturday, October 31st** to get those electronics properly recycled. This is your last opportunity for the year, **otherwise you'll need to hold on to these items until April of 2027**. As you know, this event is held right at Town Hall from 9 am – 1 pm. No need to get out of the vehicle, just pull up and we will do the rest.

Recycling electronics costs the town up to 9 cents a pound. Since we are not charging a fee for this service, we are limiting usage strictly to **Town of Lockport Residents** (please be prepared to show ID).

The hours of operation for the Town of Lockport Recycling Shed are: The last Saturday of each month, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, April through October. NO after hour drop-offs will be permitted. Cameras

are in place to protect and enforce the program. ACCEPTABLE ELECTRONIC RECYCLING LIST

- Televisions (CRT, LCD, LED, PLASMA, 3D)
- Computer Monitors (CRT, LCD, LED)
- Computers (Desktops & Laptops)
- Printers (Ink or Toner)
- Microwave Ovens
- Copiers/Fax Machines
- Video Equipment (VCR, DVD & Video Cameras)

Limit 4 large items (TV's) per month, open to Town of Lockport residents only.

Best regards,

Darlene DiCarlo, *Council Member*

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

19TH ANNUAL
Fall Festival

Where: Day Road Park

**When: Saturday October 17th,
2026**

Time: 1pm - 3pm

Food: Hot Dogs, Apples,
Cider, Water/Pop

Activities Include:
Petting Zoo, Bounce House,
Pumpkin Painting

Games:
Cornhole, Football Toss,
Pumpkin Bowling

Town Recreation

Come join us for the Light Up Lockport Christmas Parade

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH AT 6PM!

Traveling Main Street, ending at the Palace Theatre

The Town of Lockport Recreation Commission will have a float in the parade and invite you down to check it out along with our partners throughout the community! Santa will be arriving on the firetruck at the end of the parade route!

info@LockportPlaceTheatre.org

716.438.1130



Merry Christmas
& A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

from the Town of Lockport

8th Annual

Cookies & Cocoa with Santa

Saturday, December 5, 2026

10AM - 1PM

Day Road Park

5514 Day Rd., Lockport, NY

SANTA ARRIVES AT 10AM

**SANTA'S DECEMBER
HOURS**

Tuesday and Thursday

5pm - 8pm

Saturday

10am - 1pm

Visit with Santa and then have cookies and cocoa,
horse drawn carriage rides and other treats.

Town of Lockport
6560 Dysinger Road
Lockport, NY 14094-7970



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Town Recreation

For additional coupons, please visit our website at elockport.gov. Photo copies are also acceptable.

 Cornerstone CFCU Arena	\$5.00 OFF ADMISSION
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