

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
WORKSHOP AGENDA
9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, NY 14063
October 19, 2026
4:30 P.M.**

A. RESOLUTIONS

1. Village Hall Closed 11/27
2. Water Bill Relief – 79 Central Ave
3. Flock Cameras
4. Levi Wright Permanent Lieutenant

B. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Village Trick-or-Treating Hours
2. David Felt and Kenny Porter to Attend Training

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. NCWD
2. Auction
3. Parking Law

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
REGULAR MEETING
9-11 Church Street
Fredonia, NY 14063
October 26, 2026
6 P.M.**

A. CALL TO ORDER-MAYOR.

I call this meeting to order on Monday October 26, 2026, at 6 PM

Roll Call of the Trustees:

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

CRUZ-KEEFE / BRAUCHLER

WHEREAS members of this Board have read the Official Minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of October 13, 2026, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the minutes as entered into the Official Minutes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.

D. PUBLIC PORTION-

This portion of the meeting is for public comment. Any member wishing to speak shall sign up on the sign-up sheet. Any member of the public wishing to speak, once recognized, shall stand at the microphone and state their name. Speakers will be allowed three (3) minutes to speak, time may not be transferred from one speaker to another. Each speaker may speak once during public comment unless the presiding officer permits additional comment for purposes of clarification. Comments will be addressed to the board as a whole, it is not a question-answer session. I will ask the speakers to refrain from remarks that are in poor taste, slanderous, or not germane to any action taken or contemplated by the Board.

E. CORRESPONDENCE-

Correspondence was received on October 19, 2026 from the office staff at Village Hall requesting the closure of Village Hall on November 27, 2026; the day after Thanksgiving.

MULHOLLAND/BRAUCHLER

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the closing of Village Hall on Friday November 27, 2026 with employees using their personal or vacation time

F. MAYOR'S REPORT-

G. TRUSTEE/COMMITTEE REPORTS-

**Brauchler
Cruz-Keefe
Mulholland
Lazarony
Wandel**

H. TREASURER'S REPORT –

I. ADDITIONAL REPORT-

J. RESOLUTIONS-

WANDEL/LAZARONY

WHEREAS, the Village of Fredonia has implemented a water/sewer bill relief policy, and
WHEREAS, Laine Stewart, 79 Central Avenue, Fredonia, has submitted an application
for water/sewer bill relief, and

WHEREAS, Laine Stewart's request meets the requirements of the policy; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, Laine Stewart, account number 0198 is approved to receive a sewer
credit in the amount of one hundred forty-one dollars and twenty-three cents (**\$141.23**) on the
water/sewer bill for 79 Central Avenue, Fredonia and will not be eligible for any additional relief
for three years.

CRUZ-KEEFE/MULHOLLAND

WHEREAS, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Fredonia recognizes its
obligation to safeguard the constitutional rights, civil liberties, and fundamental right to privacy
of all residents, visitors, and motorists traveling within the Village; and

WHEREAS, Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) systems, including those
manufactured and operated by Flock Group Inc. (d/b/a "Flock Safety"), automatically capture,
process, and retain location data, photographs, and timestamps of law-abiding individuals
traveling on public roadways without individualized reasonable suspicion or probable cause; and

WHEREAS, ALPR networks are capable of aggregating mass movement data across
local, regional, and national databases, creating significant privacy risks, third-party data sharing
exposures, and potential mass surveillance concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County District Attorney's Office entered into an agreement
with Flock Safety to deploy ALPR cameras across Chautauqua County, including within the
municipal boundaries of the Village of Fredonia; and

WHEREAS, municipal governments retain authority over municipal property and local
rights-of-way under their jurisdiction or control, and possess a legitimate governmental interest
in establishing local policies regarding police surveillance and data governance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of
Fredonia hereby declines participation in, and withholds municipal consent for any Chautauqua

County agreement, program, or deployment concerning Flock Safety ALPR cameras operating on Village-owned property and within rights-of-way under the jurisdiction or control of the Village of Fredonia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no ALPR cameras, sensors, or related equipment owned, leased, or operated by Flock Safety or deployed under the Chautauqua County Flock agreement shall be installed, maintained, or operated on any Village-owned property, or on any rights-of-way, utility structures, or land under the jurisdiction or control of the Village of Fredonia without the express, prior, written authorization of the Fredonia Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby requests the Chautauqua County District Attorney's Office and Flock Safety to immediately remove or deactivate any existing Flock Safety ALPR hardware currently deployed on Village property or within rights-of-way under the jurisdiction or control of the Village of Fredonia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be immediately transmitted to the Chautauqua County Executive, the Chautauqua County Legislature, the Chautauqua County District Attorney, and the Chief of Police of the Village of Fredonia.

LAZARONY/MULHOLLAND

BE IT RESOLVED that Levi Wright, Firefighter at the Fredonia Fire Department is currently serving provisionally as a Fire Lieutenant and has successfully completed his civil service exam and is now approved in the position of permanent Fire Lieutenant at a rate of thirty-eight dollars and ninety-eight cents (\$38.98) per hour, effective immediately.

K. EXECUTIVE SESSION-

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXIT SESSION

MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO END MEETING

L. MEETING SCHEDULE-

The next Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees Meeting will take place on Monday October 26, 2026 at 6 PM Trustee Room, second floor, Village Hall. The next Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees Workshop will take place Monday November 2, 2026 at 4:30 PM in the Trustee Room, second floor, Village Hall.

J. Rules for Public Comment

Public comment shall be conducted according to the following rules:

- Any member of the public may speak about Village business, an agenda item, or another matter reasonably within the authority of the Village government.
- The Village Clerk shall make a speaker sign-up sheet available before the meeting. Speakers who have signed up shall ordinarily be recognized in the order listed, followed by any other person wishing to speak. A person shall not be denied the opportunity to speak solely because the person did not sign up before the meeting began.

- Each speaker shall be allowed up to three minutes. The same time limit shall be applied equally to all speakers. Time may not be transferred from one speaker to another.
- Each person may speak once during the public comment period unless the presiding officer permits additional comment for purposes of clarification.
- Comments shall be addressed to the Board as a whole. Public comment is an opportunity for the Board to receive information and viewpoints and is not ordinarily a question-and-answer session. The Mayor, a Trustee, or an appropriate Village official may briefly clarify a factual matter or arrange for follow-up when appropriate.
- Speakers may criticize Village policies, decisions, operations, employees, or elected officials. A speaker shall not be interrupted or ruled out of order merely because the Board disagrees with the speaker's viewpoint or because the comments are critical, uncomfortable, or unpopular.
- Conduct that materially disrupts the meeting is prohibited. Examples include shouting over another recognized speaker, refusing to stop after the allotted time has expired, making a threat of violence, blocking access within the meeting room, or otherwise preventing the Board or the public from hearing or proceeding with the meeting.
- Before directing a speaker to stop or leave the meeting, the presiding officer shall ordinarily identify the rule being violated and provide a reasonable warning and opportunity to comply. Immediate action may be taken when reasonably necessary to address an actual threat or protect the safety of those present.
- These rules shall be administered in a viewpoint-neutral and consistent manner. No person shall receive preferential or unfavorable treatment based upon the person's identity, political position, support for or criticism of the Village, or relationship with a member of the Board



Memo

To: Board of Trustees

From: Village Hall Staff

Date: October 19, 2026

As in the past, we would like to request the closing of Village Hall on Friday November 27, 2026 (day after Thanksgiving). Each individual employee will use their own time.

Your kind consideration of this request would be appreciated.

Thank you,

Village Hall Staff

would be \$141.23 credit on sewer.
Does meet all qualifications per policy.

Village of Fredonia Municipal Water & Sewer Bill Relief Application

Full Name of Property Owner: L A I N E S T E W A R T

Service Address: 79 Central Ave Fredonia NY 14063

Mailing Address (if different): 79 1/2 Central Ave Fredonia NY 14063

Primary Phone Number: 917 - 626 - 7263

Email Address: L A I N E S T E W A R T @ G m a i l .

Water Utility Account Number: 0198

Is this your primary residence: Yes: X or No:

Date Leak Discovered: 02/14/2026

Date Leak Repaired: 02/14/2026

Location of Leak: X Inside Residence/Building Outside (Yard, Irrigation System, Service Line)

Specific Source of Leak (e.g., toilet, underground pipe, water heater):

Pipe froze inside a wall above the basement

Who Performed the Repair (Licensed Plumber/Contractor or Property Owner):

ALEX SOUZA - handy man

Please provide brief description of leak:

Homeowner turned off the main water line upon discovery. Called Alex and he discovered that the water was leaking thru outside wall. Cut pipe & replaced.

Please provide description of repair:

Required Checklists & Documentation:

- ☒ The leak has been completely repaired
- ☒ Attached proof of repair (Itemized plumber invoice, contractor receipt, or parts store receipts).

- ☒ Attached copy of the high utility bill in question
- ☒ I understand that this account is limited to one leak adjustment every three years

Certification and Signature:

I certify that the information provided above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that granting an adjustment is subject to the review and approval of the Village of Fredonia Board of Trustees based on local ordinance guidelines.

Customer Signature: _____

Date: 10/06/2026

Please submit to:

Village of Fredonia Water Billing Department: PO Box 31, Fredonia, NY 14063 or

treasurer@villageoffredoniany.gov

Original bill

WATER/SEWER BILL
BUFFALO, NY 14204

1 Bill Date: 05/12/2026		2 Bill Date: 06/11/2026		3 Bill Date: 07/09/2026	
Utility	Previous	Current	Usage	Read Date	Read Date
Water	12921	17920	5000	04/17/2026	402.32
Sewer					421.92

Paid \$250
Balance 574.24

Total Due by 06/11/2026 **524.24**

Usage: QTR 1 - 2/1/2026 - 4/30/2026

LAINE STEWART
79 1/2 CENTRAL AVE
FREDONIA, NY 14063



09:51

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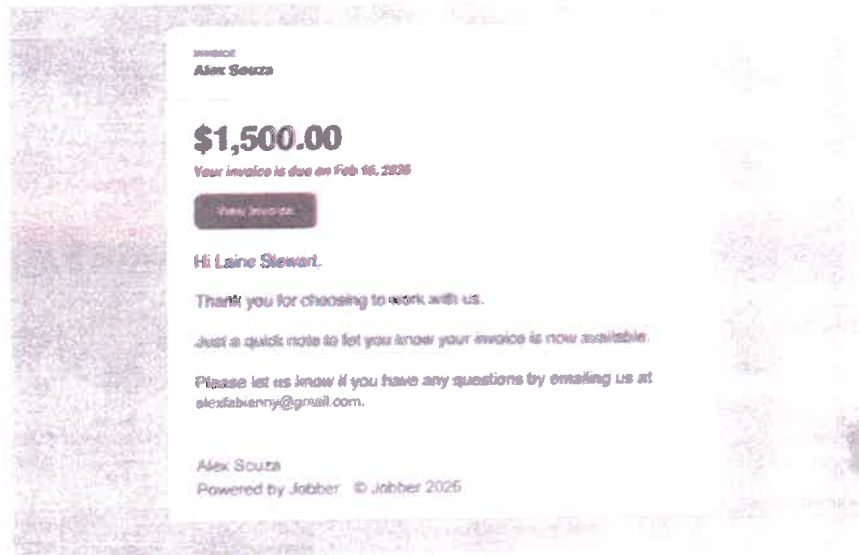
X Gmail - Invoice from Alex Souza - For Servic...

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Laine Stewart <laine.stewart@gmail.com>

Invoice from Alex Souza - For Services Rendered

Alex Souza <notification@bn.getjobber.com>
Reply-To: Alex Souza <alexfabianny@gmail.com>
To: laine.stewart@gmail.com



Repair invoice

Letter sent to trustee Board upon
receipt of Water bill

Laine DeMedeiros-Stewart
79-79 1/2 Central Avenue Fredonia NY 14063
Water Bill # 198
\$824.24

06/11/2026

Village of Fredonia
PO BOX 31
Fredonia NY 14063

Dear Members of the Village Board,

I am writing to respectfully request consideration and or forgiveness regarding an unusually high-water bill resulting from a major leak at my home.

On February 14, during a period of extremely cold weather (with temperatures ranging from a low of -1°F to a high of 18°F), a pipe in my home froze and burst overnight. The leak was not discovered until the following morning. As soon as I became aware of the issue, I immediately shut off the main water line to prevent further loss and arranged for the necessary repairs.

I understand my responsibility as a homeowner and appreciate the services provided by the Village, however this situation was entirely unexpected and beyond my control. I took prompt action as soon as the problem was identified, but unfortunately, a significant amount of water had already been lost.

As a single mother, this sudden and substantial increase in my water bill (\$824.24) combined with the amount paid for repairs has created a serious financial hardship for me and my family. I do my best to stay current on all of my obligations, and this situation has been overwhelming.

I respectfully ask the Board to consider adjusting or forgiving a portion of this bill due to the circumstances. Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated and would make a meaningful difference for my household.

Thank you for your time, understanding, and consideration.

Laine DeMedeiros Stewart

917-626-7263



Laine Stewart <lainestewart@gmail.com>

Follow up on water bill 0198

3 messages

Laine Stewart <lainestewart@gmail.com>
To: <mayor@villageoffredoniany.gov>

Sat, Aug 8 at 19:06

Hello mayor,

My name is Laine Stewart, and I am writing to follow up on a letter I previously sent to the Trustee Board regarding my water bill on 06/11/2026.

I have not yet received any communication regarding the status of my request or the review of my bill. I would appreciate it if you could let me know whether my request has been addressed and provide me with an update on the outcome.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Laine Stewart

917-626-7263

Sent from my iPad

Michael Ferguson <mayor@villageoffredoniany.gov>
To: Laine Stewart <lainestewart@gmail.com>

Fri, Aug 14 at 09:25

Laine:

I will discuss this with my team and get back to you asap - Mayor Ferguson
[Quoted text hidden]

Laine Stewart <lainestewart@gmail.com>
To: Michael Ferguson <mayor@villageoffredoniany.gov>

Fri, Aug 14 at 14:10

Thank you.
[Quoted text hidden]

From: Laine Stewart lainestewart@gmail.com
Subject: Water bill review
Date: Sep 2, 2026 at 15:56:18
To: mayor@villageoffredoniany.gov

Dear mayor,

I am following up once again regarding my request for a review of my water bill. My initial request was submitted by mail in June in the form of a letter addressed to the Board, which I have attached to this email for reference. This was followed by an email sent to your office.

To date, I have not received any response, update, or indication that my request has been reviewed. I have been waiting since June for some word regarding the status of this matter and would appreciate a response as to whether the water bill has been reviewed and what the next steps will be.

As a resident of the Village of Fredonia for several years, I believe it is reasonable to expect a response to my request. I would sincerely appreciate your attention to this matter and a response at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

Láine Stewart

79 Central Avenue Fredonia.

Láine Stewart

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF FREDONIA
FREDONIA, NEW YORK

TRANNG REQUEST FORM

TO: Village Clerk, Board of Trustees

RE: Request to Attend Training School

From: David Felt Date: 10-28-26

Department: Waste Water Title: Ken Porter
David Felt

Name of School: Koester Associates

Sponsored by: _____

Organization Member yes ☒ no ☐ Date (days & dates): _____

Where: Chautauqua Harbor Hotel
10 Dunham Ave Celoron NY Registration Fee: \$ 0

Means of Travel: Private or Village vehicle
Tolls

Cost of Travel: \$ 63 Miles X .725 = 45.67
\$ 0

Estimated cost of food and lodging:

\$ 0

TOTAL estimated cost of attendance including all expenses to be charged against the Village:
\$ 45.67

The Village is exempt from NYS Sales and Use Taxes. Take an Exemption Certificate
Purpose of Conference attendance:

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

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

Approved By: David N Felt Date: 10-16-26
Department Head

KOESTER ASSOCIATES

2025 WATER + WASTEWATER WORKSHOP

Attitude Always Makes the Difference

Professional development for operators and professional engineers.

LOCATION

Chautauqua Harbor Hotel

10 Dunham Avenue • Celoron, NY 14720

INCLUDED

Refreshments + Lunch

Registration 8:00-8:30 AM • Lunch by Koester



WORKSHOP AGENDA

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| <p>1 Movie: Unless Something Goes Terribly Wrong
Aging infrastructure through a municipal treatment plant in Portland, Maine
• 1.5 hr • B&L and JM Davidson</p> | <p>2 Advanceme
Technology
Hands-on outdo</p> |
| <p>3 Cybersecurity: Oh No! What Do I Do?
Presented by Ken Scherrieble • 1 hr</p> | <p>4 Landfill Lea
Presented by Ki</p> |
| <p>5 City of Batavia + Village of Elba Case Study
Aging infrastructure from concept to reality amid updated regulations •
Brian Sibiga • 1 hr</p> | <p>6 Village of P
From water dist</p> |

REGISTRATION

Contact your Operators Association or Harold Anger

hanger@koesterassociates.com • Office: (315) 697-3800 • Cell: (716) 880-6955