

*Village of Alexandria Bay
Public Hearing/Regular Meeting
July 14, 2026
5:20 p.m.
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Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Trustee Fulmer- Here
Trustee Millett-Here
Trustee Strough-Here
Trustee Caputo-Here
Mayor Putnam-Here

Public Hearing- Adopt 2026-2027 Water/Sewer Rates-

Trustee Caputo opened the Public Hearing.
Trustee Fulmer Seconded. **All In Favor- Aye.**

Sewer will increase \$1.32 a quarter.
Sewer quarterly will now be \$95.60

Sewer per 1000 gallons will increase \$.04 to \$6.85.

Water will increase \$.98 a quarter.
Water quarterly will now be \$51.42

Water per 1000 gallons will increase \$.08 to \$2.72.

Base pay quarterly was \$144.72 and will now increase to \$147.02.

Yearly overall increase will be \$9.21

Trustee Caputo made the motion to close the public hearing.
Trustee Fulmer seconded. **All in Favor-Aye.**

Regular Meeting

Public Comments: Mayor Putnam- “Before we get started on the public comments I want to make on thing clear. I’m not going to deal with what happened at the last

meeting. You have 3 Minutes to talk and if you talk out of turn, I'm going to ask you to leave."

Cindy Tift- "I have one thing. The 4th of July was on Saturday. On Thursday there were tiny banners put on the parking meters saying no parking with no hours when no parking was allowed and that was also 2 days before the fireworks."

Mayor Putnam- "What happened was DPW didn't work Friday and they put them up and they should have put hours on them that met from Saturday night from whatever 4 to 5. It was a mistake."

Trustee Fulmer- "I took them down on Friday morning and we put them back up Saturday afternoon around 2pm."

Correspondence: None

Minutes: June 9, 2026- Regular Meeting & June 17, 2026-Ajourned Regular Meeting-

Trustee Fulmer made a motion to approve the minutes

Trustee Strough seconded. **All in favor-Aye.**

Bills: Abstract # 1 as presented

Trustee Fulmer made a motion to accept the bills as presented.

Trustee Millett seconded. **All in favor-Aye.**

DPW Report: Jarrett- "We did a sewer replacement on our lateral on Washington St. we fixed a water leak on Crossmon St. We've helped with Graduation, Biker weekend, Betterment, Fourth of July, In Water Boat Show, Riverfest, and we also had a Diver weekend. We had our annual fire extinguisher inspections, so everything is up to snuff now. We received our Beach Permit. We were down in the back 9. We got down there as the trails were so wet and soft, so we spent 2 days down in the back 9 cutting all the trails. We had a couple of big trees that came down. We had 2 trucks inspected. We did a sidewalk chunk downtown and I'd like to thank Strough Concrete for letting us borrow a couple of tools. We have been doing the regular meter money and brush. And just to let you guys know there was quite the scuttlebutt of picking up a pile at the end of Anthony St. It takes me a while to get to it just because it requires loader, skid steer and dump truck. We ended up taking a 1 and ½ single axel dump truck load out of there. We had a tree come down on Northern Ave. And we removed a tree that had the ash boar beetle in it."

Police Report: Mayor Putnam- "Frist of all I would like everyone to know that Marco passed his Chief test. **Congratulations.**"

Marco- "Thank you. Stats first so 2 Traffic tickets, 22 Calls, 3 Accidents, and 112 parking tickets. I want to hire 2-part timers Jake Crandal and Jordan Fifield."

Trustee Fulmer made the motion to hire the 2-part timers for 20 hours a week.

Trustee Caputo seconded. **All in favor-Aye**

Marco- "Just really quick so sometimes we get correspondence in the office regarding our courtesy envelopes. We had a couple from Buffalo that were happy they got the courtesy envelope instead of a ticket they wanted to suggest to their place, and I think

somebody from Seattle who visits here often wants to take it back to his hometown too. July 4th was very busy. I would like to set up a plan to have an after-action meeting with DPW, The Board, Fire Department. I think we need to prepare better for the Fourth. I think we can reach out next year for sure and get some help with maybe some State DOT for the traffic.”

Zoning Report: Lee Shimel- “Maybe to add on to our rubbish down on Anthony St. I had 2 gentlemen in, and they knew who was the culprit and I did send them a letter, saying that they needed to stay on their own property and not put it on someone else’s property. I haven’t heard back from them. The planning Board met on the 25th of June. They approved a structure at NorthStar. They are going to be putting a building up on the West Side for a floral shop. The other thing is I sent 4 letters for tall grass out on the 24th. 2 were on Walton, 1 on High and 1 on Bolton.”

Trustee Reports: Trustee Fulmer- “We have 4 lifeguards. They are doing very well. Trace is back for year 3. He’s got them well trained and they came to us very well trained after taking their courses. The first week they worked with him and now 2 of the newbies can work by themselves. We found a 3-foot metal piece from the stage in the water. We have enough dock attendants, and we don’t have them doubled up like we used to since we made the changes at the docks. Only concern I have is for this weekend to have all of the boats out of there for the Poker Run. I think we have to fine tune a little bit. Yes, we can have no charging but that doesn’t mean we can live there in our boat with our extension cords and our generators. It’s a great idea not to charge but they’re not contributing donations. About \$120 since we quit charging a month ago and we have boats staying for days.”

Attorney Burrows- “You have to amend the Local Law to change it. It takes 45 days. Last meeting we put it on pause. We can’t change it technically without actually adopting the local law to amend it.”

Trustee Fulmer made a motion to revoke the suspension on the dockage. With first 4 hours free.

Trustee Strough seconded. **All in favor-Aye.**

Clerk Dest- “I just want to make sure so I’m explaining to my dock attendants correctly. We’re going back to exactly how it was except the first 4 hours are free but if they want to stay for 6 hours, they’re going to have to pay the \$2 per hour and if they choose to stay overnight, they have to pay for the overnight. If they do not pay overnight, then they get the ticket for not paying or overnight.”

Trustee Fulmer- “Yes. That is correct. Other news, we do have Poker Run this weekend. We are getting it all organized. We need to make a motion to approve the Water/Sewer rates.”

Trustee Fulmer made the motion to accept the rates.

Trustee Millett seconded. **All in favor-Aye.**

Project Reports: McKenzie Lehman- “Pouring concrete up at the tank site for the top slab for the tank. We are on schedule currently due to be online by the end of September, but it will likely be sooner than that. Pay-app was signed. We signed the agreement with

Lawman for the distribution so the next step is the notice to proceed, which will be issued at the preconstruction meeting.”

Attorney Burrows- “There’s no hard fast rule of how you accomplish it but in a nutshell. They’re going to get charged the capital charge whether they hook up or they do not. If they hook up, they get water and if they don’t hook up, they’re going to still pay the capital charge. If something happens down the road and they need to hook up, then they have whatever the hook up fee would be as well as the cost of all associated with it. So, there’s no financial benefit for them to not hook up right now. Actually, they are at a greater risk, and it would cost them more if they don’t hook up.”

McKenzie- “The other thing I have is the Water Treatment Plant. We are finalizing with DOH and it takes them about a month to respond.”

Trustee Caputo- “Golf course is busy. I think doing what we’ve done with the youth. I’m seeing kids up there all the teenage kids, you know, 12, 13, 14, 16-year-old age up there all the time. The older ones are defiantly renting carts. I haven’t seen any problems yet. I haven’t heard of any problems yet, but I see them all the time. There was only one time did I run out the front door and yell at a couple of kids because they were walking with their bags and they set their tripod of their bags up on my greens and I went out the door and said, “Get them out of there and don’t ever let me see you do it again.” And they were like yes ma’am, and they were respectful and they scooted right along. I think the leagues are happy. We could use some more carts, but I don’t know that that’s in this year’s budget.

We’ve still got that big tree on the corner and it’s not prominent yet, but I can see 2 roots coming up through. That trees got to come down. I talked to Timmy about it and he said he’s not comfortable. And Greg said the same thing. Can I hire somebody or get some quotes? What’s the procedure? Id like that taken down and the one by green number 2.” (Jarrett has the forestry guys’ number and will call him.) This Fall there are a lot of dead trees up there. We have some tree maintenance to do this fall.

We had a great May, June happened exactly what I expected. Income was still up but we were on the losing end. One factor is payroll. Greg had a lot of overtime, and I did talk to him about that. I had Okayed a little bit of overtime and when I think of a little bit, I think of 2-3 hours not 18. So right now, I’m not ready to ask for anything because I’ve got to get the money under control.”

Trustee Millett- “Okay let’s see. We got a report this month. The water plant is in satisfactory condition. The PLC got hit twice on this water tower up here. Was it the fuse or what was it?”

Jarrett- “I was on vacation but it had to be a fuse because it’s the one that keeps on popping when we get hit by lightning.”

Trustee Millett- “So my fix for that is if I was the person that was thinking I was going through it, you would just put a surge protector unit in there, in that pit, in that box or the other. Stop it before it gets to that.”

Jarrett- “I almost like to have some cover in that box. I just don’t like it sitting up.”

Trustee Millett- “That’s what I’m saying. Maybe look at it. Have some electrician look at it. You’re going to need to stop that zap from coming in. You guys get ready for this cuz you will be excited. We continue to install meters. We are now down from the 200

we were short that we hadn't been put in. We are now down to 88 meters left. The girls did a good job there. We did have a little problem where we sent the letters out. Mike and I came up the next morning and just said," Send a registered letter." So, we know at least it go through."

Trustee Fulmer- "At that point nobody knew the problems at the post office."

Trustee Millett- "We're down to 88. If we have to send 8-10 a week or whatever we send out, send those out so people get them and then we'll get them ack. We'll go and change them. Ive been snooping on their tail and I've been watching them every morning and they're out, they're finally going door to door. They're getting them. We had 2 leaks over on Crossmon St. Fixed the leak on 70 Anthony St. They flushed all the dead-end hydrants. They extended the three water services that go into the skating rink because they are putting all new kitchen, bathrooms in there. They dug and replaced the sewer at Garlock Realty. They continue working on the building at the sewer plant. I have 1 quote for the pump station on Otter St and Church St. I think we need to get more quotes for that. No quote for the Muffin Monster either."

Trustee Caputo- "I did receive a call about a complaint about that gazebo."

Jarrett- "It was the Pavillion not the Gazebo."

Trustee Fulmer- "What were they complaining about at the pavilion?"

Trustee Caputo- "Paint peeling."

Jarrett-"We have the pressure washer now, so it needs a good pressure washing."

Trustee Fulmer- "I just have one more thing to say. I just got a text from Trace. Mr. Curley was there. Before they closed at 6pm. Claude was here inspecting. Everything was fine."

Old Business: None

New Business:

1: Resolution #2 of 2026 to Confirm Appointment of Village Police Chief.- Trustee Caputo made the motion to enter into an agreement with Marco Mancini. Trustee Fulmer seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Putnam- Yes

Trustee Caputo- Yes

Trustee Fulmer- Yes

Trustee Strough- Yes

Trustee Millett- Yes.

2: Hearts for Youth- Permission to use several Village facilities, July 28th 6:30pm-8:30pm Village Pavillion
Village Docks- July 23rd and August 20 beginning at 6pm for youth fishing.
Village Beach- Once beach is open host our annual Beach Day Fun.
Bike Parade Labor Day Weekend-
Trustee Fulmer made the motion to allow the dates, times and facilities. **Trustee Strough** seconded. **All in Favor-Aye.**

3: Committee to Update Ordinance Laws- Attorney Burrows informed the Board that the Mayor has the authority to create a committee

4: Water Meters-Brought up previously.

5: Donation for Golf Tournament-The Village doesn't do donations.

Public Comment- Cindy Tift informed the board on the Fourth of July there was food truck parked at 62 Church.

*Mayor Putnam has asked Clerk Dest to send Thank you letters to the Legislatures for their help with 13 Market St.

*Trustee Caputo would like to thank the DPW for fixing the sidewalk between (Skiffs and Dockside) the 2 that was so horrible.

Executive Session: Personnel- **Trustee Fulmer made the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:38pm. Trustee Caputo Seconded. All in favor- Aye.**
Trustee Fulmer made a motion to come out of Executive at 7:38pm. Trustee Caputo seconded. All in favor- Aye.

Trustee Fulmer made the motion to Adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. Trustee Caputo seconded. All in favor-Aye.