Village of Lyons Falls

Special Virtual Board Meeting

April 29, 2026

Village Office, 4059 Cherry Street

Lyons Falls NY 13368

Introduction;

Shannon Mc Glew, DEC attorney

Matthew Duffany, DEC division of water

Mike Bocchi, DEC (SPEDES)

Karen Rusin, NYS State Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC)

Mike Budris, EFC

MJ Alexander, EFC legal

Anthony Young, B and L

Matt Cooper, B and L

Jake Yousey, B and L

Donna Dolhof, Mayor

Jeff Hoskins, Trustee

Barb Denslow, Clerk

Purpose of the meeting:

DEC has requested a meeting with representatives of the Village of Lyons Falls to discuss the Village's ongoing compliance and obligations under Consent order R6-20190506-14. Specifically, DEC would like to discuss the remedial actions required under the order, and the associated deadlines for completion.

Current Legal Status- There was a consent order in place. Violations occurred at the WWTP in 2019. The order was amended in March 2025. On June 2, 2025, we were out of compliance with the order.

The design was accepted in 2023. DEC cannot continue with the existing consent order.

Current project status:

Mayor Dolhof explained that there was a significant cost increase in the engineering report that was approved. The project's anticipated cost of 550-750 thousand dollars increased to over 2 million dollars without much explanation from the engineering company hired by the Village.

Exact plans for the project were not provided to the Village in a timely manner before bids were requested.

There were several areas of concern about the proposed plans from the DPW Superintendent and the Village Board. The Village Board hired a second engineering firm to look over the plans and make suggestions.

Current financing status: The Village Board will discuss modifications to the WWT project, hiring a new Engineering firm and applying for grants using the new estimated project cost.

The WIIA grant that was already awarded to the Village will have to be returned. A new application for the modified plan with an increase in cost will be submitted

Discussion: The Village is aware that the State is requiring new disinfection requirements. (SPEDES) and there could be penalties starting May 1st, 2026. Modifications for disinfection will be included in the new WWT improvement plan.

B and L representatives will stay in the loop and a meeting will be held to hear B and L recommendations.

Other/wrap up: The Village appreciates the patience that the DEC has shown with Consent order extensions.

The meeting closed at 10:50 am.

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