

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Sweden was held at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

Town Board Members present were Deputy Supervisor Scott Maar, Councilperson Tyler Sharpe, and Councilperson Gary Sullivan. Supervisor Patricia Hayles and Councilperson Adam Staskiewicz were absent. Also present were Town Attorney Jim Bell, Finance Director Hiedi Librock, Superintendent of Highways Brian Ingraham, and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

No visitors were present.

Deputy Supervisor Maar called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and asked everyone present to say the Pledge to the Flag and remain standing for a moment of silence to honor our veterans, military, police officers, EMS personnel, and others who put themselves in harm's way to protect us.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

No comments.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No correspondence noted.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilperson Sharpe made a motion that was seconded by Councilperson Sullivan to approve the Consent Agenda items as listed below.

VOTE BY ROLL CALL:

Deputy Supervisor Maar	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Sharpe	<u>Aye</u>
Councilperson Staskiewicz	<u>Absent</u>
Councilperson Sullivan	<u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Hayles	<u>Absent</u>

ADOPTED

- Approval of the minutes of the regular Town Board meeting held on September 23, 2025.

- RESOLUTION NO. 127 Authorizing Supervisor to Sign
Service Contract with COP Security Inc.

WHEREAS, the Sweden Town Justices have recommended that COP Security Inc. be engaged to provide security operations during certain court proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby authorize and direct the Supervisor to sign the services contract with COP Security Inc.

Sec. 2. The term of this agreement shall be for a period of one (1) year, commencing on January 1, 2026 and expiring December 31, 2026.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 128 Appoint Recreation Assistant PT - George

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Recreation Assistant in the recreation department; and

WHEREAS, Recreation Director Jill Wisnowski has recommended hiring Tatum George.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board of the Town of Sweden does hereby appoint Tatum George as a recreation assistant part-time for a maximum of 28 hours per week.

Sec. 2. That the hourly rate of pay is \$15.50 with a start date on or after October 17, 2025.

Sec. 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 129 Approving 2026 Preliminary Budget and Ordering Public Hearing on 2026 Budget

WHEREAS, the Budget Officer has filed the Tentative budget for 2026 with the Town Clerk and the Town Board has given it due consideration: and

WHEREAS, the Tentative Budget was amended.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. That the Town Board hereby approves the 2026 Budget Officer's Tentative Budget, as amended, and filed herewith in the Office of the Town Clerk as the 2026 Preliminary Budget.

Sec. 2. That a summary of the entire proposed budget is as follows:

<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>
<u>Operating & Maintenance:</u>	
General Government	\$ 2,135,745
Public Safety	\$136,144
Health	\$2,000
Transportation	\$2,102,503
Culture & Recreation	\$950,134
Home & Community	\$197,050
Employee Benefits	\$1,163,400
Debt Service	\$326,835
TOTAL:	\$ 7,013,811
<u>Other-Special Improvement Districts:</u>	<u>\$163,598</u>
TOTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 7,177,409

Sec. 3. That the Town Board shall hold a public hearing at 6:15 p.m. at the Town Hall, 18 State Street in said Town on Tuesday the 28th day of October 2025 for the purpose of hearing comments, either written or verbal from all interested persons in favor of or against the Preliminary Budget for 2025 or any item therein.

Sec. 4. That the Town Clerk is directed to publish notice of public hearing on the Preliminary Budget, which notice shall state: (1) the time, place and purpose of the hearing; (2) Sec. 2 of this resolution; (3) that a copy of the detailed Preliminary Budget is available on the Town website and for inspection by any interested person at the office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours; and (4) the compensation proposed to be paid to all elected town officials pursuant to Town Law, Sec. 108.

Sec. 5. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

- RESOLUTION NO. 130 Authorizing a Public Hearing
Adding Chapter 54 to the Sweden
Town Code - Concerning
Buildings, Unsafe

WHEREAS, the Sweden Town Board is desirous of adding Chapter 54 to the Sweden Town Code Concerning Buildings, Unsafe, and:

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law has been drafted in relationship to adding Chapter 54 to the Sweden Town Code, a copy of which is attached hereto, and:

WHEREAS, the Sweden Town Board is required to hold a Public Hearing on the matter before passage of this Local Law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Sec. 1. The Sweden Town Board calls a Public Hearing to hear all persons for or against the adoption of adding Chapter 54 to the Sweden Town Code concerning Buildings, Unsafe on October 28, 2025, at 6:05 p.m. at the Sweden Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York, 14420.

Sec. 2. The Sweden Town Clerk is authorized and directed to cause an appropriate notice of this hearing to be published in the official newspaper of the Town in accordance with Town Law §254.

Sec. 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

LOCAL LAW 5 OF 2025 ADDING
CHAPTER 54 TO THE SWEDEN TOWN CODE
BUILDINGS, UNSAFE

Be it enacted by the Sweden Town Board, County of Monroe, State of New York (hereinafter referred to as the Board), as follows:

SECTION 1. TITLE (§54-1)

This Local Law shall be referred to as “Local Law 5 of 2025 Adding Chapter 54 to the Sweden Town Code - Buildings Unsafe”.

SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION (§54-2)

This Local Law is adopted pursuant to the New York State Constitution Article IX, Town Law §261-§264 and Municipal Home Rule Law §10.

SECTION 3. PURPOSE AND INTENT (§54-3)

Unsafe buildings and structures pose a threat to life and property in the Town of Sweden. Such buildings and structures are susceptible to damage by fire, age, vacancy, lack of maintenance and/or general deterioration. They also are a nuisance for individuals, including minors, who could be injured therein as well as a point of congregation for vagrants and transients. Building and structures that are not maintained serve as a health menace to the community and, among other things, potential rodent infestation. It is the purpose and intent of this Local Law to govern such unsafe buildings and structures in order to provide for safety, health, protection and general welfare of the Town of Sweden by requiring such unsafe buildings and structures to be repaired, demolished and/or removed.

SECTION 4. DEFINITIONS (§54-4)

As used in this Chapter, the following words or phrases are defined as follows:

BUILDING – Any structure having a roof and intended for the shelter, housing and/or enclosure of persons, animals or chattel.

BUILDING INSPECTOR – The Building Inspector of the Town of Sweden or such other person appointed by the Board to enforce the provisions of this Chapter.

PREMISES – A lot, plot and/or parcel of land, including buildings or structures thereon.

STRUCTURE – A building or anything constructed, erected or placed above or below ground (other than a walk, driveway and plant life) which requires temporary or permanent location on or the support of the soil or which is attached to any structure.

SECTION 5. INSPECTION AND REPORT (§54-5)

When, in the opinion of the Fire Marshal and/or Building Inspector (or authorized designee thereof) any building is deemed to be unsafe or a danger to the public, he/she shall make a formal inspection thereof and report in writing to the Board any findings and recommendations in regard to same.

SECTION 6. BOARD ACTION (§54-6)

The Board shall thereafter consider any such report and by resolution can determine that the building is unsafe, dangerous and order its securing, repair, demolition and/or removal with the proviso that a notice be served upon a person(s) and in the matter provided in this Chapter. The Board may, at its discretion, appoint a licensed architect, builder or professional engineer to assist it in any such determination to be reasonable compensation as fixed by the Board.

SECTION 7. CONTENTS OF NOTICE (§54-7)

The notice shall contain the following:

- A. A description of the premises, including the street number and tax account number.
- B. A statement of the particulars in which the building is unsafe or dangerous.
- C. An order describing the manner in which the building is to be secured, repaired, demolished and/or removed.
- D. A statement that the securing, repairing, demolishing and/or removal of such building shall commence within thirty (30) days of service of the notice and shall be completed within sixty (60) days thereafter unless such time is extended by the Board.
- E. The date, time and place for a hearing before the Board to be scheduled not less than five (5) business days from the date the notice is served.

F. A statement that, in the event of neglect or refusal to comply with the order to secure, repair, demolish and/or remove the building, the Board is authorized to go forward with any such action, to assess all expenses thereof against the land on which it is located and thereafter undertake legal proceedings to collect the costs of same including legal expenses as set forth in this Chapter.

SECTION 8. RECOVERY OF COSTS (§54-8)

All costs and expenses incurred by the Town in connection with any proceedings to secure, repair, demolish and/or remove a buildings shall either be assessed against the land on which the building is located or may be recovered by the Board in a civil action pursuant to the provisions of the General Municipal Law and/or the laws of the State of New York.

SECTION 9. SERVICE OF NOTICE (§54-9)

The notice shall be served in the following manner: by personal service of a copy thereof upon the owner or the owner's executors, legal representatives, agents, lessees and/or any other person(s) having a vested or contingent interest in the building as shown by the last preceding completed assessment roll of the Town of Sweden or, if no such person(s) can be reasonably found, by mailing to such person(s) by registered mail a copy of such notice directed to his/her last known address and, if served by registered mail, by posting a copy of such notice on the premises.

SECTION 10. FILING OF NOTICE (§54-10)

A copy of the notice served as provided herein shall be filed in the Office of the County Clerk of the County of Monroe.

SECTION 11. FAILURE TO COMPLY – ACTION BY TOWN (§54-11)

In the event of the refusal or neglect of the person(s) so notified to comply with said order of the Board and after hearing, the Board shall provide for the securing, repair, demolition and/or removal of the building either by Town of Sweden employees or by contract or agreement between the Town of Sweden and a third party entity.

SECTION 12. EMERGENCY ACTION (§54-12)

In the event that a structure suddenly becomes unsafe or a hazard to the general public, such as in the case of a fire, flood, tornado, earthquake, or other similar event, the Town shall notify the owner to secure the building and/or premises in such a manner as to make it safe. If the owner or a property manager is not available or is unwilling to comply, the Fire Marshal and/or the Building Inspector, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to have the building secured in a manner so as to make the building safe with the owner being responsible for all costs associated with same. This provision is also applicable in the case of any building that becomes unsafe or hazardous to its occupants only.

SECTION 13. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAWS -STATE AND LOCAL (§54-13)

The provisions of this Chapter shall be in addition to, and in furtherance of, the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code including but not limited to Sections 107 and 108 of the Property Maintenance Code of New York State. Whenever the requirements of this Chapter are at variance with the requirements of other lawfully adopted rules, regulations or ordinances of this Chapter, the most restrictive provisions or those imposing the highest standards shall govern (See Chapter 64 – Building Code and Administration; Chapter 141 – Property Maintenance).

SECTION 14. SEVERABILITY AND/OR VALIDITY (§54-14)

The invalidity or enforcement of any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, provision, or phrase of the aforementioned sections, as declared by the valid judgment of any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional, shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, provision or phrase, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE (§54-15)

This Local Law shall take effect upon the date it is filed in the Office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with the Municipal Home Rule Law §27.

NON-CONSENT AGENDA:

No items.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Deputy Supervisor Maar announced that the Town Board received resignation from Kathleen Bahr-Seever, Tax Receiver effective October 6, 2025. The board thanks Darla Emmerson and Phyllis Brudz (Deputy Receivers) for stepping up and covering the office.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the Board, Councilperson Sharpe moved to adjourn the October 14, 2025 meeting of the Sweden Town Board at 6:05 p.m. Councilperson Sullivan seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion – three ayes. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting
Town Clerk