



# September 2021 Newsletter

## VILLAGE OF LANSING *Incorporated 1974*

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM-

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Board of Trustees' Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 7:30 PM

Planning Board Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday and last Tuesday, 7:00 PM

Board of Zoning Appeal Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday as needed; 7:00 PM

Currently all meetings are being conducted via Zoom until January 15, 2022.

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## COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

I want to thank all Village voters who took part in the April village election and to thank them for electing me to be your mayor. We are fortunate to have great Village staff members and board members who dedicate their time and demanding work to ensure our safety and comfort. It is an honor to facilitate and support your Village government.

In normal times, sustaining our Village is challenging, we all are experiencing the stressful impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Wearing masks, social distancing, phased vaccinations, restricted travel, reduced personal interactions, and a myriad of personal and social stressors make daily life uncomfortable and unpredictable. As your local government, we monitor and adapt how we interact with our constituents to keep the Village services accessible, reliable, and sustainable.

To this effect, we installed an audio-visual system in the Village offices to allow our public meetings to be viewed remotely. This system allows for remote participation by residents, staff, and board members, and it allows in-person attendees greater social distances within the conference room. All public meetings will be open to remote viewing and participation, and the meetings are recorded and shared on the Village's new YouTube channel (search for "Village of Lansing, NY" at [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)).

As part of the federal government's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the Village applied for, and will receive, \$374,000 (split across two years) to offset the negative financial impacts of the pandemic. We plan to use these federal funds for water infrastructure upgrades or installations needed within the Village. The planned sewer-line extension from the Town of Lansing, through our Village, and to the Cayuga Heights Wastewater Treatment Plant is nearing its kick-off. We needed several years to obtain all the required easements for the sewer installation and, having completed the easements, we are preparing to seek bids on this major capital project.

The Village Department of Public Works will continue their excellent work keeping our roads and sidewalks some of the best in the county. A replacement culvert for Graham Road awaits installation – as soon as our recent rain events ease off and allow safe work on that project. We hope to soon receive ownership of Graham Road between Triphammer Road and the Loop Road around the Shoppes at Ithaca Mall so that we can begin to replace the failing road surface and some below-ground infrastructure. Also, we are negotiating with NYSEG on their planned gas-line replacement along Dart Drive so that we can begin the roadwork and sidewalk streetlight installations along that street.

Our Village continues to grow through new residential developments, and the Shops at Ithaca Mall is preparing to subdivide its retail space to attract new businesses and investors to the Village. The Village Code Enforcement Officer, Planning Board, and Board of Zoning Appeals members have been busy supporting all the new development requests for the Village.

Throughout this pandemic and all the growth and complexities of Village governance, our Village Clerk has steadfastly continued her stellar support for us all. Much credit for the smooth, invisible workings of our Village operations can be given to our clerk – who can also claim credit for a son who won an Olympic bronze medal in wrestling this summer! Congratulations Kyle Dake!

As we grow, it is important to guide residential and business expansion with the Village’s Comprehensive Plan and its Greenway Plan. Per the Greenway Plan, the Greenway Committee reviewed the plan to update the Village’s greenway information and its short- and long-term goals (see related newsletter article.) The committee created a survey to gather public input on a future Village Park. Please refer to the related article in this newsletter and take a few minutes to help us plan the park.

Another consideration during this growth is the impact of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions within our Village. The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Task Force evaluates and implements action steps within the CSC program and the Clean Energy Communities program to help the Village reduce its GHG emissions and to help Village residents and businesses transition to clean, affordable energy solutions for their heating and cooling needs (see related newsletter articles.)

Obviously, it is impossible to document all the accomplishments of our Village staff and government within the confines of a readable newsletter. If I missed a topic of interest, or if you have questions or concerns, please take advantage of the “Meet with the Mayor,” open-door Zoom meetings (see related newsletter article.) I also encourage you to join or view any of our public board meetings.

Mayor Ronny Hardaway

### **\*\*Village Group Email List Is Changing\*\***

The Village’s original group email list was disabled when Yahoo ended its Yahoo Groups support, so Yahoo Group mail list members were migrated to a new Google Group. Subscribers might receive a notification from Google Groups that they are members of the new “VOL Email List” ([vlansing@googlegroups.com](mailto:vlansing@googlegroups.com)). Please note that members of the group will not be able to access the list of members or use the group to send emails. This is a privacy setting to protect subscribers’ email addresses and to limit the group’s email to authorized Village communications. Online subscribers will be added to the new group list. Future emails will be sent through this new group email address, so please ensure that your email application is not blocking our emails or filtering them as spam. If you have not yet signed up to receive notices please do so on our website by going to “Subscribe to Mail List” at the top of the page.

## **VILLAGE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

### **Fall Brush Pick-Up**

Fall brush and limb pick-up will be provided by the Village and Town of Lansing Highway Departments on Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Residents are asked to leave up to one pick-up truck size load near the roadside by 7:00 am. To assist the work crews, all limbs and brush (up to 5 inches in diameter) should be piled with the cut ends facing the same direction. The limbs should be no longer than 6 feet in length. Also, the piles should not be tied, but should be left loose. Please do not put out bags of yard waste. This pick-up is only for limbs and brush.

## VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE

### Notary Services

Notary public services are available free of charge to Village residents at the Village Office. Residents are asked to telephone the Village Office at 257-0424 ext. #2 or email Jodi at [clerk@vlansing.org](mailto:clerk@vlansing.org) to arrange a time for this service.

### October Water Billing

The quarterly Water/Sewer Bills are sent out October 1<sup>st</sup> and are due by October 20<sup>th</sup>. Payments can be mailed in or dropped off at the Village Office in the secure drop box in the foyer.

### Village Meetings

Currently, all of our meetings are being conducted thru ZOOM. If you are interested in attending a Board of Trustee meeting please contact Jodi at [clerk@vlansing.org](mailto:clerk@vlansing.org). If you would like to attend a Planning Board or BZA meeting please contact Mike Scott at [codeofficer2@vlansing.org](mailto:codeofficer2@vlansing.org).

Jodi Dake, Clerk/Treasurer

## CODE & ZONING DEPARTMENT

With Fall upon us, I would remind everyone that there are numerous scenarios in which a building permit would be needed. I would encourage individuals who are interested in additions, new construction, remodeling, installation of a solid fuel burning heating appliance, chimney or flue, installation of new heating equipment, decks, pools, roofs, etc. to visit the Village of Lansing Office at 2405 North Triphammer Road or email me at [codeofficer2@vlansing.org](mailto:codeofficer2@vlansing.org) for any questions they might have.

### Stormwater

As beautiful as the fall leaves are, they mean lots of yard work for local homeowners. One option for reducing your workload is to use a mulching lawn mower to mulch leaves into your yard. It is less time intensive than raking and the shredded leaves act as a natural fertilizer during the fall. While you are tending to your yard, take a moment to sweep or rake leaves and branches out of the street in front of your house. Left in the street, they can clog storm drains and contribute to localized flooding. When washed into nearby lake and streams via storm drains or ditches, the leaves become a major source of phosphorus, the nutrient that allows algae to bloom in the summer. Dispose of leaves by composting them in your yard. Keep leaves and yard waste out of the regular garbage, and never dump them in wetlands or buffer areas. Roofs, driveways, snow melt, and lawns all provide stormwater runoff that could potentially end up in Cayuga Lake. All should be mindful of what is spilled or placed on these surfaces. Please clean up any spills that occur, attempt to minimize the fertilizers for lawn care, and properly dispose of pet waste. This is an important task since the Village and four other municipalities are provided drinking water from Cayuga Lake.

**Please remember to check/replace the batteries in all Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Detectors.**

Mike Scott, Code, Zoning & Stormwater Management Officer

## PLANNING BOARD NEWS

With a few exceptions, the majority of business for the Planning Board since March centered around the Millcroft subdivision proposal by Beer Properties, finalizing the Shops at Ithaca Mall Subdivision, and the ongoing Lansing Meadows PDA.

- The Beer Properties submitted a proposed final plat for the Millcroft subdivision to the Planning Board in January with numerous changes from the preliminary plat. The Planning Board asked the

developer to meet with appropriate Village staff to address some of the concerns generated by the changes, most notably the roadway design and wetlands revisions.

- After numerous meetings, the Mall subdivision was finalized, and it is expected that the final plat will be signed in the next 30 days.
- At the end of July, it was evident that deadlines established in the special permit (SP) for the Lansing Meadows PDA (LMPDA) would not be met--the four triplexes currently underway on site were to be completed by 7/31/2021: the remaining two triplexes by 12/31/2021. This meant that the SP would expire unless extended by the Planning Board. Initially the Planning Board extended the SP by 2 weeks provided the developer met specific milestones. When the milestones established were not fully met, the Planning Board did not extend the expired SP and the developer was required to reapply for a new SP. The SP process will be ongoing over the next few months in the hopes that the LMPDA will be finally completed.

#### Other Issues

- Lansing Trails II development is ongoing and continues at a steady pace
- Northeast Family Dental added several parking spaces to their property
- DISH Network and Verizon Wireless added to or updated equipment on the communications tower behind Cayuga Mall
- Several SPs regarding residential driveway design were approved
- A Sidewalk Code proposal was sent to the Board of Trustees, was approved by the Trustees, and has been added to the Village Code

The Planning Board is still looking for a resident to fill the Alternate Member position. If you are interested in possibly joining the Planning Board, please let Jodi Dake, our Village Clerk know of your interest (257-0424 Ext 2). Meetings will be held by Zoom through the end of the year. While we are meeting by Zoom it may be a convenient time to join us and get an idea of some of the issues that come before the Board. To attend, please contact our Code Officer, Mike Scott at [codeofficer2@vlansing.org](mailto:codeofficer2@vlansing.org) to register for the meeting.

You are always welcome at a meeting--the second Monday and the last Tuesday of each month, 7:00 - 9:00pm (holidays may impact the schedule). If you would like to receive an email with the upcoming Planning Board agendas that are sent out approximately four days in advance of a meeting, contact Mike Scott to be added to the email distribution list. Alternatively, check the <https://vlansing.org/website> (Village Meetings icon) where you can find Board agendas and past Planning Board meeting minutes.

Lisa Schleelein, Planning Board Chair

#### **VILLAGE TRUSTEE REPORTS**

It has been a challenging year. COVID, Zoom Meetings and a shortage of workers seem to dominate. Our Village is still very active in providing services to all. We are still working with the Mall to help them bring in more business. This looks very promising. The pathway between the Mall and Shannon Park will be enhanced to include a LED solar panel at the top of the path. Access will be improved so that the Village can maintain the pathway in summer and winter. The Lighting Commission is working on new and improved regulations that embraces new technologies.

The YMCA is finally open again! The County is in need of more lifeguards, even though the summer is over. The YMCA will train you if interested.

Please support our local businesses!

Randy Smith, Trustee

### **Opportunities to Serve on Village Boards and Committees**

The Village currently has a variety of board and committee positions that would benefit from additional representation. This is a great opportunity to serve the Village and gain experience in local government. Current openings include:

- Joint Youth Commission, voting board member needed, one monthly meeting
- Climate Smart Communities Task Force, non-voting member, one monthly meeting
- Greenway Committee, non-voting member, one monthly meeting
- Planning Board, alternate board member, two monthly meetings
- Board of Zoning Appeals, alternate board member, meetings as needed

If you are interested in any of the openings, more information about the roles and responsibilities of these boards and committees can be found on the Village website. You can also contact the Village office and Jodi will put you in touch with the applicable contact person.

Simon Moll, Trustee

### **Meet the Mayor**

Every Wednesday afternoon between 2 and 4 PM, members of the public are invited to register to meet with the mayor via a Zoom conference. This meeting is meant to be an informal, “open-door” meeting in which each registrant may speak or ask questions about any Village-related topic. If a registrant raises a topic or question that the mayor cannot discuss or answer, they will be informed before or during the meeting. Each Meet-the-Mayor meeting will have up to four 30-minute time slots. All visitors will be placed in a Zoom waiting room and will be admitted to the meeting in the order of their registration. Please visit the Meet with the Mayor page and click on the “Meet with the Mayor” registration link: [vlansing.org/meet-with-the-mayor/](http://vlansing.org/meet-with-the-mayor/).

### **Registered Village Voters Can Vote for Town Candidates**

On November 2nd (or by Early Voting), Village of Lansing residents will vote in the General Election for local, county, and state offices. As part of the Town of Lansing, registered Village voters can vote for Town Councilperson candidates, also. The Village of Lansing contributes approximately 35% of the Town of Lansing’s total taxes; therefore, Village residents should let their voices be heard by helping to elect the Town officers who decide how to spend Village money contributed to the Town budget. For information on the November election, please visit the Tompkins County Board of Elections website: [www2.tompkinscountyny.gov/boe](http://www2.tompkinscountyny.gov/boe).

### **Greenway Committee**

The Village of Lansing Greenway Committee has completed its review and update of the 2018 Greenway Plan. Committee members updated the plan to reflect current trails and parks information and to update the short-term and long-term goals for the Village. A new section about the Village’s recently adopted law on “Sidewalks and Walkways” (§145-20.1) was included in the new plan along with information on the “Friends of” groups who may volunteer to support local parks and green spaces. The updated plan is being finalized for presentation to the Village Board of Trustees for review and approval in the near future. For more information, visit the Greenway Committee’s page at [vlansing.org/greenway-committee/](http://vlansing.org/greenway-committee/).

### **Online Survey for Future Village Park**

The Village Greenway Committee is planning a future park on Village-owned property north of Marian Hartill Park on Northwoods Drive. The committee is considering a park with fitness equipment/stations and an open group-exercise area. To gather public information about the park design and amenities, the Greenway Committee created an online form to capture ideas and feedback on the park. For more information, visit the “Survey for New Village Park” newspaper at [vlansing.org/2021/08/24/survey-for-new-village-park/](https://www.vlansing.org/2021/08/24/survey-for-new-village-park/) and click on the “Click here for the survey” link. The form provides information about the proposed park along with fields to submit feedback to the committee.

### **Climate Smart Communities Task Force**

On June 7, the Board of Trustees approved the Village’s Greenhouse Gas Inventory that was compiled by Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) and the Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Task Force members. This inventory compares 2019 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the Village, from a baseline year of 2013, and serves as a preliminary step in creating strategies to reduce the Village operations’ GHG emissions.

The CSC Task Force is now working with CCE on a Village operations Climate Action Plan that focuses on strategies to reduce GHG emissions and on actions that address local mitigation and adaption to climate change. Once finished, the plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees for review and approval. For more information, visit the CSC Task Force page at [vlansing.org/climate-smart-communities/](https://www.vlansing.org/climate-smart-communities/).

### **TOMPKINS COUNTY RECYCLING**

Tompkins County offers a single stream curbside recycling program. The recycling calendar is available at the Tompkins County Solid Waste Management Division office, Recycling and Solid Waste Center at the Drop-off Area, and online at [www.recycletopkins.org](http://www.recycletopkins.org). There are also copies available in our brochure rack in the Village Office vestibule, which is always open.

The Village of Lansing is a Food Scrap Recycling Drop Spot. On Saturdays from 10:00am-1:00pm Lansing residents can bring their food scraps to the parking lot behind the Village Office at 2405 N. Triphammer Road. Food scraps can include meat, bones and dairy and paper towels and napkins. You can also pick up compost containers and bags for free at the Drop Spot or at the Solid Waste Office.

### **FALL RABIES VACCINATION CLINIC**

The Tompkins County Health Department (TCHD) announces A drive-through rabies clinics for dogs, cats and ferrets that will be held in the fall of 2021. The clinic will be held from **10:00 AM - 1:00 PM on October 2, 2021, at the TCAT Bus Garage, 737 Willow Avenue, Ithaca. Preregistration is required from 10:00 – 11:30 AM, and recommended for appointments 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. Preregister by calling the Health Department at 607-274-6688 or through the website: <https://tompkinscountyny.gov/health/eh/rabies#clinics>.** TCHD sponsored Fall clinics typically held in the towns of Newfield, Groton, Caroline, or Trumansburg will not take place in 2021. Appointments will fill quickly. Call the Health Department at (607) 274-6688 to be placed on a wait list if all appointments are full. Please note:

- All dogs must be on a leash or in a carrier, all cats and ferrets must be in a carrier to attend the clinic.
- Masks are required for attendees at the clinic regardless of vaccination status.
- Attendees will remain in their vehicle until staff request pet for vaccination.



Proof of prior vaccination is required to receive a three year certificate for cats and dogs. If there is no proof of prior vaccination, a one year certificate will be issued. Ferrets must be vaccinated annually. More information can be found at: <http://www.tompkinscountyny.gov/health/eh/neighborhood/rabies#clinics>

## BE ON THE LOOK OUT

Spotted Lanternfly (*Lycorma delcatula*) is an invasive insect species originally native to eastern Asia that is rapidly spreading along the eastern seaboard. First discovered in Pennsylvania in 2014, Spotted Lanternfly (or SLF) has spread to 10 states including New York. Populations in New York state are currently limited to the New York City area, the lower Hudson valley, and the Ithaca area, but populations can easily spread throughout the entirety of the state.

SLF is a species of concern because it poses an immense risk to our local agriculture. This pest feeds on grape vines, apple trees, hops vines, and maple trees, making it a critical threat to the agriculture and tourism of the FLX. What's worse, is that SLF can lay their eggs on almost any surface – including cars – which means that this insect can travel very far very quickly.

Local residents can help stop SLF by reporting insects they believe are SLF to New York state. SLF is an eye-catching insect with distinct phases in its lifecycle. At birth, SLF is small, black, and covered with white spots. As the summer progresses, SLF will become larger and eventually red stripes will join the white spots on its back. When it reaches adulthood in the late summer, SLF will grow pink wings dappled with black spots and reach an enormous size for an insect, often greater than 1 inch in length.

If you believe you've found SLF, please take a picture to send to and the location to [spottedlanternfly@agriculture.ny.gov](mailto:spottedlanternfly@agriculture.ny.gov).



## TOMPKINS COUNTY LEGISLATURE

2021 has been, and will continue to be, a challenging year for local government. As our climate crisis accelerates, we face more frequent and more extreme precipitation events, and the human and infrastructure damage wrought by the resultant flooding. And, after a very brief respite early this summer, a resurgent pandemic continues to pose costly and often unpredictable threats to public health and our local

and national economy.

This year, I am chairing the Legislature's Budget, Capital, and Personnel Committee for the first time. In that position, I am made acutely aware of the costs of Tompkins County's response to the climate and pandemic crises on a daily basis. Consequently, budget, capital, and personnel issues will be the focus of this newsletter report.

## **COUNTY BUDGET ISSUES**

ARPA funds: As most of you know, Tompkins County's share of the Federal stimulus allotted to state and local governments under the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) was almost \$20 million, to be distributed in two equal payments in 2021 and 2022. Even before we received our first payment from Washington, the use of the ARPA funds became a hotly contested issue among the legislators, several of whom immediately invited local businesses and non-profit organizations to begin "applying" for a share of the funds.

As a legislator who successfully opposed giving our ARPA funds away, I want to share my reasoning with you. The ARPA prescribed several permissible uses for the funds, including using them for "government operations" to the extent that the County suffered revenue losses attributable to the pandemic. Using the formula dictated by the US Treasury, County Administration determined that Tompkins County's pandemic-related revenue losses totaled several million dollars more than the \$20 million we received under the ARPA. Moreover, using the ARPA funds for the County's government operations allowed us to avoid the many burdensome monitoring and reporting requirements that the Treasury Department imposed on other uses. Finally, using 75% of the ARPA funds to pay cash for capital improvements scheduled under our Capital Plan will save the County \$1.657 million in annual debt service payments for the next 10 years, thereby giving future Legislatures additional funding for other County and community needs without raising taxes. For all these reasons, I am pleased to report that the Legislature voted to use 100% of the ARPA funds for County government operations, and 75% of the funds for "cash for capital," a purpose specifically permitted by the ARPA itself.

Community Recovery Fund: As a trade-off for using our ARPA funds for government operations, many legislators wished to allocate a portion of the County's general fund balance to a fund to meet community recovery needs. Proposals for this Community Recovery Fund program ranged from a one-year, \$5 million program to a three-year, \$15 million program. At a special meeting on September 15, the Legislature voted to make a one-year allocation of "up to" \$7 million for this fund. No money will be distributed under the Community Recovery Fund program without the Legislature's review and approval of each specific grant proposal.

The County's 2022 budget: On September 14, Interim County Administrator Lisa Holmes presented her recommended 2022 budget to the Legislature. The recommended operating budget of almost \$194 million represents an increase of about 3% over the County's actual 2021 budget. It includes restoration of target funding for sponsored agencies like our Human Services Coalition agencies, Tompkins Community Action, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Ithaca Area Economic Development, the Tompkins County Public Library, and our rural libraries. It also includes one-time funding for projects proposed by these agencies, as well as first-time funding for the Alcohol and Drug Counsel and REACH Medical, and substantial funding to replace the lost hotel tax revenue that supports our tourism industry. (I stress these line items to show that our "county operations" spending includes substantial support for the larger community.) There will likely be additions and subtractions to the recommended budget before it is finalized by the Legislature in a series of meetings between now and the end of October. We clearly need to adjust our



staffing levels and reorganize our departments to address needs that became apparent during the pandemic, when we eliminated 47 positions to reduce our operating expenses. In addition, the pandemic exacerbated “stress points” in the County’s operations and highlighted the need for substantial additional investments in IT and infrastructure. Another item that is likely to add to the 2022 budget is Tompkins Cortland Community College’s pending request that its sponsoring counties create a Capital Fund to address millions of dollars in deferred maintenance of the college’s facilities.

If you are particularly interested in budget issues, please tune in to the County’s YouTube channel, where you can watch our Expanded Budget Committee meetings over the next six weeks.

## **CAPITAL ISSUES**

The Administrator’s recommended \$129 million Capital Plan spans the years 2022 through 2026 and aims to achieve net-zero County fleet and facilities by 2027. The current proposal includes funding approximately \$15 million of this cost using our ARPA monies and another \$14.4 million from general fund balance over the next five years. The remainder will be funded with other State and Federal grants and/or bonded for. We will be watching Congress and the Senate closely as they move through their bipartisan and reconciliation processes to determine which of our capital projects may qualify for whatever the final Federal infrastructure legislation will fund.

As I’m sure many of you know, the County is purchasing two properties adjoining our existing campus, on the corner of Tioga and Buffalo streets, for the development of future government facilities. The purchases include leaseback agreements for many months, and the County will not take actual possession of the properties, or begin demolition and construction, until 2023. The new facilities will address critical space needs for departments that are currently in the Courthouse (the State court system wants them out because the courts need the space), for departments and staff who are currently in rented facilities (moving them into owned property will save the County money), and for staff who are currently in existing buildings (like the Old Jail and Building C) that would be inordinately expensive to make energy efficient and/or more functional.

## **PERSONNEL ISSUES**

As noted above, the County eliminated 47 positions in mid-2020. Some of these positions were unfilled, and we were able to offer everyone who filled an eliminated position a move to another position. We were able to accomplish this without firing anyone who wished to stay employed with us. We also were able to reduce our staff by offering senior staff an early out with a retirement incentive. However, the elimination of positions and loss of experienced senior employees has left us with staffing shortages in certain areas, and the impact of that loss has been exacerbated by the need to reassign key staff to pandemic response management. Accordingly, we are looking at reorganizing some of our departments, which will involve adding new positions and replacing staff we lost in 2020.

Another staffing issue the County must address in the coming months is our compensation structure. The unexpected loss of our County Administrator earlier this year, the resignation of our budget “guru” in July, and the impending retirement of our County Attorney require us to post for replacements for these key positions. Part of this process is investigating what other counties and sectors are paying for similar positions. This process has highlighted the fact that some of our employees are significantly underpaid. The County must remain competitive in this increasingly difficult job market, and that means that we will have to undertake a compensation study and implement the recommended changes to our compensation structure. Since salaries, wages, and benefits comprise a significant part of the County’s annual operating budget, this undertaking promises to have a major impact on future budgets.

To those of you who are still reading (and not bored to death by this level of detail), thank you for your interest and attention. As always, I'm happy to answer any questions and to hear your concerns and suggestions. Please feel free to contact me at [ddawson@tompkins-co.org](mailto:ddawson@tompkins-co.org). And please remember to vote in November! I will be on the ballot, along with candidates for the Lansing Town Board. There will also be five state-wide ballot measures, which you can learn about at [https://ballotpedia.org/New York 2021 ballot measures](https://ballotpedia.org/New_York_2021_ballot_measures).

Thanks again,

Deborah Dawson, Tompkins County Legislator, District 10

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Tompkins County Joint Youth Commission.....	Ronny Hardaway
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