

## State of the Village Address: *Village of Cattaraugus – April 2025*



### **Fellow residents, neighbors, and community partners,**

As we look toward the future of the Village of Cattaraugus, I am proud to share the priorities that will guide our progress in the year ahead. Our mission is clear: strengthen infrastructure, secure essential funding, modernize services, and lay the foundation for long-term revitalization.

### **Revitalization Planning**

We are seizing the opportunity presented by the DRI grant to shape a brighter future. Working with the Local Planning Committee, we will develop a Strategic Investment Plan to identify key revitalization projects that reflect our community's needs and aspirations.

### **Water Infrastructure Project**

In 2025, we will launch a major water system upgrade funded through the WIIA grant. This project focuses on modernizing our water distribution infrastructure and securing an additional, reliable water source for the Village. These improvements will ensure long-term service quality for residents and businesses alike.

### **Pursuing Key Grant Opportunities**

The Village is actively partnering with professionals to pursue grant funding for three critical initiatives:

- Creation of a new Comprehensive Plan to guide future development
- Upgrades to our sewer infrastructure
- Additional financial support to reduce the cost of our water project

### **Modernization & Efficiency**

We are committed to improving the efficiency of Village operations. Investments in technology will streamline processes in both the Village Office and the Department of Public Services, enhancing our ability to serve the community with speed and transparency.

### **Local Law & Code Review**

Through committee engagement and public input, we will begin a thorough review of existing Village laws and codes. Our goal is to ensure they reflect current needs, support responsible development, and are accessible to residents.

### **Bridge Repair – Waverly Street**

We will work closely with the Town of New Albion to explore solutions for restoring the Waverly Street bridge. This essential link provides emergency access and supports our local Tannery Street and neighboring businesses. Reopening this corridor is vital to both public safety and economic activity.

Together, these initiatives position Cattaraugus for growth, resilience, and renewed pride. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our shared future.

Sincerely,

Mayor Anthony Nagel

Village of Cattaraugus