

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on March 15, 2018 at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Joseph Saraceni, Supervisor  
Robert Ellis, Councilor  
Peter Moore, Councilor  
Robert Geraci, Councilor  
Roman Diamond, Councilor

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attorney Anthony Rivizzigno; Jerald Hole, Highway Superintendent; Dina Falcone, Town Clerk; Al Yager, Town Engineer; David Rahrle, Comptroller; Theresa Golden, Assessor, Tony Burkinshaw, Parks and Recreation Supervisor; and several residents.

**Supervisor Saraceni called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.**

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**Supervisor Saraceni** noted that a motion will be added to the agenda regarding parking in Radisson for the annual garage sales. This was discussed at the work session and prior to that the Town was approached by Radisson. It is a public safety concern where local law must be passed. The local law will be made as to a modification to street parking on select streets in Radisson on garage sale weekends.

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**PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR ALL PEOPLE FOR OR AGAINST THE PROPOSED FIVE YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PLAN AND APPLICATION FOR THE LYSANDER TOWN PARK SPRAY PAD**

**Town Clerk Dina Falcone** stated as follows: *“This publication was published in the Post Standard on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. Please take notice that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Lysander on Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York 13027, to hear all people for or against the proposed Five Year Community Development Block Grant Plan and the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Application for the Town of Lysander Spray Park. Please take further notice that the environmental significance of said Block Grant Plan will be reviewed by the Town Board of the Town of Lysander incident to and as a part of said public hearing. Copies of said plan and application are available for review at the office of the Town Clerk. By order of the Town Board of the Town of Lysander, dated March 1, 2018.”*

**RES#64/2018**

A motion to open the Public Hearing occurred at 7:04 pm. **The motion was made by Councilor Diamond and seconded by Councilor Geraci.**

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS:**

**Kevin Rode** of Greymoor Way said he isn't against it but asked about the area outside of Lysander Park and asked if the Town could receive the funds for park projects. He asked if there was a precedent set where other towns have been able to have it where it is outside of a designated area. He referred to the description for the grant as it said \$331K by bonding, and \$100K for the state grant; he didn't see it listed where the Town was going to use the In Lieu of Parks fund. He asked if the Town had to list [total funding] or list the total cost.

**Jim Stirushnik** commented that as a taxpayer he would not ask for the funds. He said Lysander is a *“relatively well-heeled town compared to the city, and compared to some other rural communities”*. He thinks most of this is federal money and there are places that money can be better spent than in Lysander. He said they are nice projects, but said [the Town should fund the projects themselves]. He said he wouldn't be asking for [the spray park].

**Fred Burtch** of Plainville Road said that he agreed with Mr. Stirushnik, and also offered another option to the Board regarding the CLUP. He said it involves incentive zoning for sidewalks, and Incentive Zoning to build a spray park if the Town is going to have a number of new houses. He said it seems to him the Town could get some money for that, so that there wouldn't be a tax increase for him or anyone else.

Jim Stirushnik suggested that the spray park project is too large of a project for this town and [that a project such as this] should belong to the county or the YMCA or a larger organization.

**Supervisor Saraceni** said that he was given a list of questions from resident Andrew Reeves. Mr. Reeves submitted the questions as follows:

1. *Will you be going ahead with the Spray Park using available Town funds if the voters do not approve the bonding to finance it with the vote on May 4<sup>th</sup>?*
2. *Has the Board looked into any matching fund grants using the on-hand Park funds to reduce the tax burden of the Spray Park to the residents?*
3. *What is the Town's plan for security and staffing at the Spray Park during hours of operation?*
4. *Two Incentive Zoning developments (Cabbage Patch and Collington Pointe) have cash payments as part of their incentive zoning agreement, and there are suggested cash incentive payments with the potential Melvin Farm development. The Town Board passed a resolution determining that The Board could use those monies wherever they deemed appropriate. Have you considered holding off on the Spray Park until you have the monies from developers to pay for it?*
5. *Where will the runoff from the Spray Park go? If you are planning to install a retention pond, what will the dimensions, cost and safety measures associated with the pond be?*

These questions/comments will be entered into the record.

### **RES#65/2018**

***Having heard those for and against the action, a motion to close the Public Hearing occurred at 7:04 pm. The motion was made by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Ellis.***

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

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### **CITIZENS COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS**

Kevin Rode asked if spray park lifespan is 15 years (he referred to wording on the referendum). **Mr. Rivizzigno** said it is the proposal for the bond. He said when you do a bond resolution, you have to have a usefulness for whatever the project is. He said probable usefulness falls under 15 years. He said when you do a bond resolution, whatever the project is, has to have a useful life beyond the bond. It would most likely be a ten year bond. **Supervisor Saraceni** said the life of the project would be over 30 years.

Fred Burtch of Plainville Road thanked the Town Clerk for holding the election time 9 hours as opposed to fire departments who do not have the funding to hold longer elections. He encouraged absentee ballots be available for this election. Mr. Burtch said he spoke with people who said they would not be in town during the election.

Jim Stirushnik asked if there would be absentee ballots available. **Ms. Falcone** said she hasn't had anyone request them for the special election. He asked if people do will there be. She said she did not know. He urged the Board to vote negative on item "D" in the Agenda and rescind the same. He suggested it would save the Town the cost for the election.

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### **TOWN BOARD COMMENTS**

**Supervisor Saraceni** reported on his attendance at the Association of Towns meeting. He said he attended a number of seminars that were very helpful in addressing some of the issues the Town deals with in Lysander. He said it is always helpful in the seminars and talking with other Supervisors and elected officials throughout the state to see how they are addressing any number of items. He attended classes including general sessions and one which the NYS Comptroller spoke.

**Supervisor Saraceni** said it was interesting to hear Albany’s view on local issues that are dealt with frequently and to see how in tune they are with what is going on in municipalities. Some of the classes/seminars that he attended were: *Municipal Annexation, Proper use of Fund Balance, Ask the Auditors; Analyzing Financial Conditions, Capital Improvement Plans, Funding Opportunities for Water Infrastructure Projects; Pitfalls in Budgeting, Personnel Management/Collective Bargaining; Accounting for Capital Assets (K Accounts).*

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**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**RES#66/2018**

**Motion by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Ellis** to adopt the March 1, 2018 Town Board Meeting minutes.

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

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**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Jerald Hole, Highway Superintendent,** reported that when the snow stops culvert replacements are planned. They need to take care of Drake’s and Mercer, and other roads that are under consideration. There is a project on Farnham Road regarding water issues. A cross culvert will be put in to try and alleviate the problems. He said they will maintain what they can so there will not be problems in the future. At this point he is getting pricing information.

**Tony Burkinshaw, Parks and Recreation Supervisor** thanked the Spray Park Committee. He said the committee meeting was very positive as they move forward as they are doing things for the right reasons. The committee set up a meeting with Elden Elementary and went to a PTA meeting. They met with a local PTA group and have had a couple of other meetings with different organizations and businesses that are looking to help with the project in some way. Parks is putting the ‘ball in motion’ to help once this goes to vote; if and when it does pass, the Town can hit the ground running to help bring the cost down for the whole project. He thanked the committee for all of their work. He is excited that they are looking to get staff at the park filled (part time seasonal) and also getting help in the office so that it can start getting programs out there and start working on things that are coming up.

**Mr. Burkinshaw** wanted to let everyone know that it has been brought to his attention that there are a lot of anonymous Facebook sites out there, and some are doing a poll and/or survey that has nothing to do with the Town of Lysander. **Mr. Burkinshaw** said the Town of Lysander did not generate the poll/survey, and the Town has nothing to do with it. He asked that if people want to follow a Facebook site, the Town has its own: “*Lysander Spray Park*” He reiterated that it is the Town of Lysander’s site, which is run by the Spray Park Committee, and they are putting the information on it and telling people to come out and vote in the Special Election on May 4. He said good things are coming down the line and he is happy to have help in the office. He said it would be pertinent to call an Executive Session regarding personnel (as noted on the Agenda). **Supervisor Saraceni** concurred.

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**Theresa Golden, Assessor,** said she has an update of the annual reassessment plan. She said each year it is done to determine the assessment in the Town: they look at each type of property, and compare the sales from the last year to the assessments in each neighborhood, and the level of assessment determines where they go from there. It’s the same process that starts in the fall of the year prior to the assessment roll. Then the state determines what our time adjustment trends are and how much sales have gone up in the particular area in the past year. Those trends are then applied to the sales, and a final level of assessment number is generated for each neighborhood.

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**Ms. Golden** said a narrative is completed by property type, and those are the areas that we focused on to keep the town at 100%. The trends in the TOL were flat from 2008 for a number of years after the recession. Now the trends in Lysander, two years ago, was plus 1% per residential properties. Last year it was plus 2%, this year it's plus 3%, so over the last three years, we have seen our sale prices rebounding on average 6%. **Ms. Golden** said that in the Town of Van Buren, it is the same thing, as they are at plus 5% over the last three years. That information will be used to determine where Lysander does its re-appraisal work. Thirteen residential neighborhoods in Lysander were identified to have levels of assessment below 95% which is the threshold for the state. They were re-appraised. Ten neighborhoods were identified that had been reappraised in the past three years that had levels of assessment that were below 95%. Those ten neighborhoods were trended upward because they didn't need to be appraised again. Some of our neighborhoods that haven't been done regardless of the numbers, in six years or more were done because that was a requirement. This week, over 4,600 Change of Assessment Notices are going out in Town of Lysander. There are between 2,500 and 3,000 going out in the Town of Van Buren. That is basically done to keep Lysander's level of assessment at 100% so that its equalization rate doesn't drop and impact tax rates, how budgets are proportioned at the county level, and across school districts and also our STAR exemptions; in order to have what they call a full value STAR exemption you have to be at full value, you can't have an equalization rate at 80% and expect to get a full value STAR exemption.

**Ms. Golden** explained that those are the reasons why the town in the past 19 years has made the commitment to keep the level of assessment in Lysander as well as Van Buren at 100%. That is basically the process that is done every single year. **Ms. Golden** said she has a step by step narrative that is submitted on an annual basis submitted to the state as required by law on February 1 of each year. It is a step by step guide for each neighborhood and property type; the steps and rationale is behind each step. [Attached to these minutes]. **Ms. Golden** said she is available for appointments for people who want to come in and discuss their assessment. The county also printed "Town of Van Buren" on the notices, where it should have said "Town of Lysander".

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**Comptroller David Rahrle** made the comment as follows: *"I am doing this for the people that are watching and maybe for the people in the audience who are not aware; it came to me after Tony spoke about the spray park referendum, he's urging people to come out and vote whether you're in favor for it or not in favor for it. We are not voting on whether or not we are going to build a spray park, we are voting on whether or not to let the town borrow up to \$400K for this park. If this vote goes down, or fails, it doesn't mean that the project is dead and we are not going forward. I just want to clarify that for the public."*

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**Dina Falcone, Town Clerk** gave a report on the Special Election as follows:

With the use of Onondaga County Board of Elections (2) Imagecast Voting Machines, the following costs and rules would apply:

1. A bi-partisan team of certified election inspectors of which (1) Poll site Manager (Machine Technician), (2) Voting System Specialists (VSS) and (2) Regular Inspectors (RI).

<u>Election Day</u>	
Machine Technician (1):	\$300
VSS (\$170 x 2):	\$340
RI: (\$140 x2)	\$280
Total:	<b>\$920</b>

The Town of Lysander will pay the Machine Technician and Inspectors directly.

2. The Machine Technician will set up the polling place the day before the election, special Election Day coverage, and the breakdown of the polling place after the election.
3. The Onondaga County Board of Elections staff will program and pre-lat (verify the accuracy) of the machines at the rate of \$50 per hour (max 4 hours). Total: **\$200**
4. The Town of Lysander will pay Onondaga County Board of Elections for this service.
5. The Town of Lysander will need ballots to be printed. The Onondaga County Board of Elections will print ballots in house for an amount of \$.25 per ballot. 2,500 ballots will be a total of **\$625**.
6. The Town of Lysander will pay Onondaga County Board of Elections for this service.
7. The voter list/poll book of all registered Town of Lysander residents will be provided by the Onondaga County Board of Elections at no cost to the Town of Lysander.

**Total cost to the Town of Lysander: \$1,745**

**Supervisor Saraceni** noted that in Item “D” the change was made in the motion for the Special Election not to exceed \$3,000. That gives Ms. Falcone some wiggle room if any adjustments need to be made.

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**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE ONONDAGA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SPRAY PAD PROJECT**

**RES#67/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Ellis** to approve the 2018 Onondaga County Community Development Block Grant application for the construction of the proposed spray pad project in the Lysander Town Park.

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2018 ONONDAGA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 5 YEAR PLAN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SPRAY PAD PROJECT**

**RES#68/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Moore** to approve the 2018 Onondaga County Community Development Block Grant 5 year plan presented at the public hearing on 3/15/2018.

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN NOTICE OF ACTION FOR STATE OF NY DOT ESTABLISHING 45 MPH SPEED ON PLAINVILLE ROAD**

**RES#69/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Geraci** to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Notice of Action for the State of New York Department of Transportation Traffic Operations Bureau. This action establishes a 45 MPH speed zone on Plainville Road, a County Road, between Phosphate Alley to Cole Road/County Line Road, a distance of approximately 1.4 miles.

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE SPECIAL ELECTION**

**RES#70/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Moore** to authorize a Special Election regarding the Bond Resolution dated January 18, 2018, authorizing the issuance of a bond up to \$400,000 to construct a spray park facility in Lysander Town Park. The Special Election will be held on Friday, May 4, 2018, at which the polls will be kept open between the hours of 12:00 PM and 9:00 PM for the purpose of voting by voting machine on the adoption or rejection of a proposition with respect to a bond resolution dated and duly adopted January 18, 2018 by the Town Board of the Town of Lysander. The Special Election will be held in the Auditorium of Lysander Town Hall. With the cost of the Election not to exceed \$3,000. The Notice of Special Election will be published by the Town Clerk in accordance with Town Law §82, and posted on the Town Clerk’s sign Board.

Supervisor Saraceni	Aye	Councilor Ellis	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO HIRE JOSEPH BRIERE AS PART TIME SEASONAL LABORER**

**RES#71/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Diamond** to hire Joseph Briere to the Part-Time Seasonal Laborer position in the Parks and Recreation Department at an hourly rate per the 2018 bargaining unit contract.

Supervisor Saraceni     Aye     Councilor Ellis     Aye     Councilor Geraci     Aye  
Councilor Moore     Aye     Councilor Diamond     Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION HIRE PETRINA MEYERS AS PART TIME RECREATION AIDE**

**RES#72/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Diamond** to hire Petrina Myers to the position of Part-Time Recreation Aide in the Parks and Recreation Department at an hourly rate of \$13 per hour. Hours shall not exceed 35 hours per week.

Supervisor Saraceni     Aye     Councilor Ellis     Aye     Councilor Geraci     Aye  
Councilor Moore     Aye     Councilor Diamond     Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION 57/2018  
FOR PAYMENT NO. 2 OF WEST GENESEE SEWER DISTRICT EXTENSION NO. 2**

**RES#73/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Geraci** to rescind resolution 57/2018 for Payment No. 2 for the West Genesee Sewer District Extension No. 2 Electric Installation Contract No. 2 to Kahrs Construction in the amount of \$3,536.25.

Supervisor Saraceni     Aye     Councilor Ellis     Aye     Councilor Geraci     Aye  
Councilor Moore     Aye     Councilor Diamond     Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT NO. 2 OF WEST  
GENESEE SEWER DISTRICT EXTENSION NO. 2**

**RES#74/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Ellis** to approve payment application No. 2 for the West Genesee Sewer District Extension No. 2 Electric Installation Contract No. 2 to Kahrs Construction in the amount of \$5,035.

Supervisor Saraceni     Aye     Councilor Ellis     Aye     Councilor Geraci     Aye  
Councilor Moore     Aye     Councilor Diamond     Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

*Discussion:*

*In the original motion, the vendor shorted himself and realized his mistake before the Town issued a check; the Engineer confirmed the work was done and put in for a new check to be written.*

**MOTION TO REDUCE PUNCH LIST SECURITIES TO \$2,000 FOR TIMBER BANKS**

**RES#75/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor** to reduce the punch list securities required for the Timber Banks subdivision Section 1A, 1B & 2A to \$2,000, as the developer has completed item #4 of the remaining punch list items, as recommended by the Town Engineer’s Letter dated March 14, 2018.

Supervisor Saraceni      Aye      Councilor Ellis      Aye      Councilor Geraci      Aye  
Councilor Moore      Aye      Councilor Diamond      Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR TOL  
OFFICE BUILDING MODIFICATIONS PHASE 2**

**RES#76/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Ellis** to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for the Town of Lysander Office Building Modifications Phase 2 project to be opened on at 10:00 A.M. April 4, 2018. (Final plans and will not be available for pick up until March 19, 2018.)

Supervisor Saraceni      Aye      Councilor Ellis      Aye      Councilor Geraci      Aye  
Councilor Moore      Aye      Councilor Diamond      Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO CALL A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 2  
OF 2018 PROHIBITING PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS IN RADISSON**

**RES#77/2018**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Ellis** to call a public hearing on April 5, 2018 at 7:10 PM to consider adopting a local law prohibiting parking on one side of the street on the following streets: Oak Brook Road, Twin Flowers Road, Van Wie Drive West, Alletta Circle, Corlear Drive, Van Wie Drive East, Madeline Drive, Briar Patch, Reston Drive, Grey Birch, Stanford Drive, and Marinus Drive to be restricted to Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 only.

Supervisor Saraceni      Aye      Councilor Ellis      Aye      Councilor Geraci      Aye  
Councilor Moore      Aye      Councilor Diamond      Aye

**All Ayes, motion carried and adopted**

*Discussion:*

*Supervisor Saraceni said there was a meeting with Radisson regarding concerns about the annual Garage Sale Event (that they do not sponsor) on Mother’s Day weekend in May. Parking is a concern as well as safety concerns raised by fire and police departments. The Town Board has the ability to make these adjustments for safety.*

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**CITIZENS COMMENTS RELATED TO TOWN BUSINESS**

A resident who owns property on Cross Lake and says there is severe drainage problem on his street, Fire Lane 11 as it has washed out twice. He and the residents there maintain it at the residents’ cost. There is no water control outside from the farm land there. He said Mr. Yager has been out there but it is getting worse. He asked what is to be done to correct the problem. He said there is a water problem on Cross Lake Road and they would like something done.

**Mr. Hole** said they spent a lot of time out there when the road was washed out when there were ice problems, there is seepage as well where the underdrainage is plugged. He said he and Mr. Yager have looked at it. They are addressing the underdrainage issue by putting in a cross culvert with a catch basin which will channel water. He said that near the bottom of the hill where it curves, the ice issue has occurred all winter due to an under drainage problem. HW will be installing new piping to gather water from the surface. A cross culvert from one side of the road to the other, and a catch basin and cross culvert which will gather the water to bring it across so it won’t take out the driveways. He said all up the hillside on Farnham Road where the check dams have been washed out over time. The resident said that is going to continue because there is no control of the water.

**Mr. Yager** said it's not just the water coming off of Cross Lake Road, Cross Lake is at the bottom of the hill, and is a large drainage basin. He said there is a large contributing area to that drainage basin, and the resident is at the bottom of the hill and the water has to have some place to go. Mr. Yager said it's a law in NYS you can't impede the flow of water and can't direct it onto private property but the natural path of the water is allowed to continue. He said the Town doesn't have jurisdiction to change that nor does it have a way to change it with public funds. **Mr. Yager** said they certainly understand the problem, they just don't have a way to fix it with the public dollars. It's a very large drainage basin, it's all upland, it's all the water that is on the other side of Cross Lake Road that is uphill from the resident, which drains down, and there is no other place to send that water other than the lake. **Mr. Hole** said they can try to slow it down and try to collect it and put in places where it doesn't impact private property from the town road standpoint. He says they don't have jurisdiction over Cross Lake Road, as it is a County Road. The County's response is that Lysander place cross culverts in the low points to allow water to flow. **Mr. Hole** said they are trying to control it. The resident said they can't control the water. He said he never remembers the road washing out like it recently has. He is asking for someone to please stop the water.

**Supervisor Saraceni** said discussion will continue regarding this problem. The resident said he has gone over the whole thing, it's just the idea of it that it is getting into a county and state issue. He said the Town continues to spend money and the County does nothing.

Kevin Rode asked if the Sheriff's Department is notified regarding the speed limit on Plainville Road. **Supervisor Saraceni** said "yes" and all emergency outlets are notified. He asked if State Troopers are going to enforce the speed limit. He asked if the mechanical drawings [for the spray park] would be done before people vote. **Supervisor Saraceni** said he did not know. He said the bond vote is the bond vote. People need to decide whether or not they want the project. The Town has laid out its best guess of what it can cost before it has to borrow anything. He said he would have loved to have the specs out early, but when he discussed with Mr. Yager, for them to do that might hurt the bids that come in. If a contractor knows that there is a vote out there, and the bond goes down, that somehow the project might be in jeopardy that could somehow impact the numbers. **Supervisor Saraceni** said the Town will probably not have the specs done and bid before the vote. He would have liked to but it makes sense as there is a process that is playing out right now. Mr. Rode suggested that the Town Board has the option to have the information available before people vote and they could rescind the resolution and make a new resolution and vote on it then. Mr. Rode remarked about the Radisson parking issue and mentioned that people park too close to the intersections and that should be addressed.

Fred Burtch thanked the Town Clerk for bringing the cost of the special election down. He referred to Mr. Burkinshaw giving flyers to the PTA and asked if he had any plans to go to the VFW, American Legion, or retirement homes with flyers as well. **Supervisor Saraceni** said he hoped so. **Mr. Burkinshaw** said absolutely. Mr. Burtch reiterated what Mr. Stirushnik said in that he can't help to avoid what appears to be the "lack of sincerity" of the Board when they thank people for their time for coming to meetings. He said everyone in the community says the same.

Mr. Burtch said Mr. Burkinshaw made reference to the [Lysander] spray park page, as he said he happened to come across it, and saw references to some of the "M&Mers" making reference to an interested taxpayer. **Supervisor Saraceni** asked what that term meant and Mr. Burtch said "*millennial moms*". He said they made reference to an *interested taxpayer* who is behind [this] the [spray park] who has made it his agenda. Mr. Burtch said he called Mr. Burkinshaw and asked him if they are making reference to him, and he said, "Yes I think they are." Tony said he never said that. **Mr. Burkinshaw** said he had a recording and would play it.

Mr. Burtch mentioned the petition that was passed by a group of others, and said he can't believe the lack of respect from the Board as to what they were able to assemble and give to the Clerk. He said it is, "*The most historical document that has ever been produced and assembled in the Town's history, because of the people who signed it.*" He said he called the former Supervisors, Mr. Bullis and Mr. Salisbury, and he had no difficulty getting them to sign the petition. He mentioned that those people ran this Town for the past 20 years, and their wives ran this town, but five previous town board, seven previous or current Planning Board members and every major farmer, seven current fire chiefs, two former ZBTs, two former HW Superintendents; the last three democratic Chairman, a former Republican Chairman, a former Conservative Charmain and two dozen business owners signed the petition. Mr. Burtch said this wasn't his petition, but it was the people's petition. Crosstalk at this point.

Mr. Burtch mentioned Councilor Diamond's Facebook page, and mentioned that he would thank five or eight people for coming to a Lysander Committee fundraiser, but would not thank 600 people for participating in this [petition] process. Discussion continued regarding the petition and public input.

Jim Stirushnik spoke regarding the HW Superintendent comments and asked about West Entry Road, as there is a large pothole. **Mr. Hole** said the pothole is on the list to be fixed the first thing the next day. He said the whole road is in poor condition. **Mr. Hole** said they are devising a plan based on numbers. Mr. Stirushnik asked if the classes that the Supervisor took in NYC would be made available to the public. **Supervisor Saraceni** said yes. He said there are PowerPoints that can be downloaded. He asked him to stop by and pick up what he wanted. He also asked if the departments in the Town were going to be audited and **Mr. Rahrle** said not at this time. He said there is no timetable for auditing.

Mr. Stirushnik suggested the Town undergo active shooter training. He is in favor of having people in the building who carry. In addition, Mr. Stirushnik said he wants access to the spray park as a senior citizen.

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**Supervisor Saraceni** gave a quick rundown of the initiatives as previously discussed:

**TLEOP:** Eighteen people attended the last meeting. The next meeting will be held on March 20<sup>th</sup>. He said first responders were present and the County is happy with the start of the process. He thinks it could take five or six months to work through the plan.

**Citizens Committee:** Supervisor Saraceni said he will be announcing what that will entail at the end of the month.

**Spray Park:** He noted that everyone is up to speed on this.

**Cold Storage Facility:** They are hoping to have that facility done by fall.

**Town Building Rental:** He has reached out to a couple of real estate agencies and has not received a call back. There is 2700 sq. ft. of space that will be made available for public use.

**Park Land Acquisition:** He says this is not anything that is relevant now; he thinks previous administrations mentioned of a couple of pieces of property that they wouldn't mind having in and around the Park.

**Code Revision:** Currently waiting for General Code to send their first draft.

**Local Water Redevelopment Plan:** He will be forming a committee. It will be like CLUP but will focus on waterfronts and will help to open the Town for grant opportunities for development on the water.

**Parks Annexation:** Nothing to report at this time.

**Phase II Building:** It will go out to bid shortly; just received a \$30K grant to help. The Town will go after any grant if it will help the community.

**Elizabeth Street Sale:** He said it cannot be done until the Fire Department builds its new station at Smokey Hollow Plaza.

**Route 48 Sidewalk District:** A district has been established and he has authorized Mr. Yager to work on the map report and plan.

**Willett Culvert:** A grant was received for \$465K and the three culverts will be completed this summer.

**New Sewer Connection:** There is an issue that it freezes in the winter. They are not sure if they are going to do it now.

**Possible Sewer District for Belgium Cold Springs Peninsula:** Mailings will go out to test people's interest in the formation of a sewer district.

**Employee Handbook Review:** There will be a full phase review in a couple of months.

**Union Contract:** This will be discussed in the future.

**NYS Dept. of Labor:** Regarding the Order to Comply, the Town has completed three of the four issues.

**CDBG:** Completed.

**CGI Videos:** They are completed and on the website.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Town Board Meeting:** Thursday, April 5, 2018, 7:00 PM, Work Session begins at 5:30 PM in the Auditorium.

**Planning Board Meeting:** Thursday, April 12, 2018, 7:00 PM in the Auditorium.

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## ADJOURNMENT

### **RES#78/2018**

A motion was made by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Diamond to adjourn the regular Town Board Meeting and enter into Executive Session regarding personnel in the Parks and Recreation Department (no action will be taken) at 8:15PM.

### **ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Councilor Geraci and seconded by Councilor Diamond to adjourn the Executive Session at 8:40 pm.

This is a true and complete recording  
of the action taken at this meeting.

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk