

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on June 4, 2020, at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert A. Wicks, Supervisor
Peter Moore, Councilor
Robert Geraci, Councilor
Jeffrey Kudarauskas, Councilor
Roman Diamond, Councilor

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dina Falcone Town Clerk, Anthony Rivizzigno, Town Attorney, Tony Burkinshaw, Parks and Recreation Supervisor, Al Yager, Town Engineer, and PAC-B.

* This meeting was not open to the public due to the COVID-19 restrictions regarding public meetings. This meeting was transcribed from a Phillips Voice Tracker recording device.

Supervisor Wicks called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Wicks: *The minutes have been distributed to everybody. If there are no changes, may I have a motion to approve the minutes as distributed?*

Adoption of Minutes

RES#108/2020

Motion by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to adopt the May 21, 2020 Town Board Meeting minutes.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried and adopted.

Supervisor Wicks: *We've got to go around the table?*

Councilors: *No.*

Supervisor Wicks: *No? Are we good now? Okay. And I'm an aye as well.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Supervisor's Comments. I don't have many today, other than to say that we were in our earlier meeting - we were talking about budgeting, and we are pretty much on an austerity budget right now, because if you didn't see the paper on Wednesday, the County is talking about a hundred million dollar deficit and that is as of June. The states are in dire straits, with (the) COVID as well as the other civil unrest that we have going on now, so we thought that it was prudent to just try and spend money that's frugally as we can, and to save as much as we can for next year's budget, because no one here can say how much we are going to have, and we certainly do not want to raise taxes, because I think there is going to be enough taxes raised in the State and County to go along for everybody. So that is where we are at for right now. That's about all I have to say today. Mr. Moore?*

Councilor Moore: *Yeah, I very often talk about our community, and all of the wonderful people we have, and we do, and I often glaze over items, but there are in fact not as good people in our country and in our world. My heart goes out to George Floyd's family. I think we have to be very very careful in vetting the people we give power and authority to. I think power mixed with prejudice is very dangerous thing. We are seeing it and seeing the fallout from it. I just hope we learn and grow and come together, and again, my heart goes out to those people. Thank you.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Mr. Kudarauskas?*

Councilor Kudarauskas: *I'll stick to the agenda tonight.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Mr. Geraci?*

Councilor Geraci: *I will stick to the agenda as well.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Mr. Diamond?*

Councilor Diamond: *I'm going to stick to the agenda as well.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Looks like it's going to be a short meeting here. The regular agenda items - there only a couple of things on the agenda tonight.*

Regular Agenda Items

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE HW SUPERINTENDENT TO SIGN THE
WATER MAIN EXTENSION PERMIT FROM OCWA FOR THE
TIMBER BANKS SECTION 3 PHASE 4 12" WATER MAIN EXTENSION**

RES#109/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to authorize the Highway Superintendent to sign the water main extension permit from OCWA for the Timber Banks Section 3 Phase 4 12" water main extension with no pavement to be cut.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudauraskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Ms. Falcone: *Supervisor Wicks? It's in your folder, if you could show that to Jerry tomorrow to sign, Al...just so you know...*

Mr. Yager: *Jerry already has copies the original was sent to Jerry.*

Ms. Falcone: *So this is my copy then. Okay good, I just want to make sure...*

Supervisor Wicks: *Yea I didn't want to...*

Ms. Falcone: *I'll take that back then.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Is this for Jerry to sign?*

Ms. Falcone: *Al gave Jerry the original...*

Mr. Yager: *No, Jerry - they mailed Jerry their original...*

Ms. Falcone: *Oh they mailed it to him.*

Supervisor Wicks: *So who needs to sign this?*

Ms. Falcone: *I'll take that back. That's just our copy then. So make sure I get that back.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Okay, yep.*

Ms. Falcone: *Thanks. Thanks Al.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Okay if there's no opposed, then motion carried.*

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN
THE OCWA HYDRANT INSTALLATION PERMIT FOR
THE TIMBER BANKS SECTION 3 PHASE 4 DEVELOPMENT**

RES#110/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the Supervisor to sign the OCWA hydrant installation permit for the Timber Banks Section 3 Phase 4 development which includes 5 new hydrants in the existing Timber Banks Water Supply District.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Councilor Geraci: *(inaudible) spelled correctly former Supervisor's name in here.*

Supervisor Wicks: *We will have to fix that. New business. Anyone have any new business? No new business. Just then, to follow up on Mr. Moore's comments, a lady came in today, an elderly lady, and she was a resident of Lysander. She was at a local grocery store up in Clay, and while she was in there, somebody started hassling her about wearing the face mask that everyone is supposed to be wearing. I didn't ask her if the other person was wearing a mask or not. When she went up to the manager of the store, the manager of the store kind of blew it off, and she started crying. I mean she's probably in her mid to late 80s. So she went outside and called the police, a short while later, the State Police showed up because she was being harassed. They go into the store, when they came out they had her groceries. And, she said "I didn't pay for them." And two Troopers said "We took care of that for you." So it was about \$140 worth of groceries, and the Troopers names, I think and they are out of Lysander, Trooper Amidon and Trooper Zacchanino, I think that's how you pronounce it. I was in law enforcement for 39 years and I can tell you, that's the rule. That's how I always have seen police officers operate. Are there bad apples in the police profession? Certainly it's just like any profession regardless of where you are. There are doctors, lawyers whomever, there are always bad actors. You have 800,000 police officers in the country and on a daily basis they are all brothers and sisters, mothers, fathers, sons and daughters of people, and they are out there trying to do the right thing, and I think that sometimes it gets distorted by the media on what these people are actually doing. Nobody that I know that's a police officer that saw what went on in Minnesota with Mr. Floyd thought that was appropriate in fact everybody to the person and anybody I know, and anything I've seen on TV, everybody knows that that was wrong; that was a criminal act. I mean it's pretty clear - I am not going to judge in him right now, everybody has their due process, but I don't think it looks good for those four police officers - but the other police officers that are working on a day to day to day basis do a phenomenal job - and what is missing in all of this part, and when people go off and just start attacking and murdering people; a veteran police officer that was doing some security work out in St. Louis - he happened to be a black retired police captain - was murdered and it was actually put on Facebook. Now that doesn't do anybody any good and that isn't protesting because of injustice. And then when you see police officers being run over by these anarchists and these criminals that doesn't do anybody any good and sometimes that's lost. The whole thing is a bad situation, but nobody disagrees with what occurred was criminal; but also what else is going on is criminal and hopefully we can move forward and get this thing settled, but it's the police officers today, that this elderly lady just happened; and I'm not going to mention her name but I don't want to embarrass her. She came in today and told me this story, and I was able to run down those two Troopers, and that's an example of the type of policing that you have in Onondaga County with the Baldwinsville Police Department and the other town and villages and the State Police, and we are very fortunate here. Other communities may not be that fortunate but I can say without a doubt Onondaga is. I thought that was important... Any other new business?*

Councilor Geraci: *I just want to compliment you Bob, because what you just said was right on target and perfectly and well said. You know there's nothing that is disturbing me more to hear this generality that 'cops are bad'. They put their lives on the line every single day they go to work, so didn't want you to be alone in expressing that option I support everything you said.*

Councilor Moore: *I'd like to go on the record and say I support it as well. I hope that I didn't come across saying...*

Supervisor Wicks: *No, no. I didn't take it that way. I just wanted to – I understood what you said I just wanted to share this with people because I don't think anyone in this room has a negative (or) thinks negatively of police – I think that we are all in unison in that we know we have good policing and – listen, when police do the wrong thing they should be prosecuted, they should answer for their crimes when they do that. And when citizens don't think that they are being heard by their government, they should go out and protest, that's what they should be doing, but protesting and rioting and looting are two different things, protesting yes, rioting and looting is just as criminal as any other crime that police may perpetrate. That's all I have on that. Anybody else? Okay, I don't have any reason to go into executive session. Does anybody else? No. Okay, so it's going to be a short meeting tonight. May I get a motion to adjourn?*

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Diamond to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 6:11 PM.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudrauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

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

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk