

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on October 1, 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; Al Yager, Town Engineer, Tony Burkinshaw, Parks and Recreation Supervisor, David Rahrle, Comptroller, and several guests and residents.

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

Adoption of Minutes

RES#179/2020

Motion by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to adopt the September 17, 2020 Town Board Meeting minutes.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Public Hearing

The Timbers Residential Golf Community General Project Plan (GPP) Amendment #5

RES#189/2020

Motion by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to open the public hearing at 7:02 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Supervisor Wicks: *Is there anyone wishing to speak for or against the project?*

Ms. Falcone: *Mr. Supervisor, did you want to do the two motions first?*

Supervisor Wicks: *Before this?*

Ms. Falcone: *As lead agency and negative declarations, the SEQR?*

Supervisor Wicks: *Oh you want to do that first?*

Ms. Falcone: *Sure.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Okay. So I have to close it?*

Ms. Falcone: *You won't have to close it.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Just do it? Okay.*

(Motions are below with regular agenda items)

James Trasher: *James Trasher, I'd like to speak in favor, CHA, I am the engineer representing the developer.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Could you stand up please?*

James Trasher: *James Trasher, CHA, I represent the Timbers, LLC, so if there are any questions, we are looking to switch, as you know, density within the development, as shown, GPP number 4 - we were just talking about this area right here, and changing some of the uses from where it was high density residential apartments to residential, so really the land use is what changes in this area. The total number of units will remain the same, but it is required under the general project plan this modification with the Planning Board's approval. If you have any questions I'll be more than happy to answer.*

Supervisor Wicks: *We talked about it earlier in the work session and you're putting in a pool, and some tennis courts, and even though the number stays the same, the area is only about an acre as opposed to 3.5 acres, which would have been taken out of residential housing correct?*

Mr. Trasher: *Correct.*

Supervisor Wicks: *And there's also about .8 of an acre of open space area that you're going to have. So actually, there is a lot more green space and recreational areas with that using up the same amount.*

Mr. Trasher: *Right. We are just adding other amenities to that area, and when you come down Timber Banks Parkway.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Okay. Are there any other comments?*

RES#190/2020

Having heard all comments, Motion was made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Moore to close the public hearing at 7:06 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Central New York Parks and Recreation Society Award
NYS Recreation and Parks Society Award

Megan Ball, Director of Recreation of the Town of Dewitt spoke about the award and presented the award to Tony Burkinshaw and Al Yager for the design of the Lysander Spray Pad. She explained the awards as follows:

Each year the New York State Recreation and Park Society presents a series of awards that have become a coveted honor for the people and organizations singled out for their contributions to parks and recreation. These awards are an excellent opportunity to recognize the contributions of the variety of people who make New York's parks, recreation and therapeutic recreation facilities work at their best.

The Excellence in Landscape Design Award projects include garden design, landscape art, sculptures and pathways, and improvements on landscape projects and maintenance.

The Exceptional Facility Design Award projects include indoor pools and indoor sports complexes, community centers, information centers, gymnasiums, picnic shelters, restrooms, lighting, water sewer systems and parking lots, or other amenities.

The Exceptional Park Design Award is for a project that contains facility and landscape components. Examples would be sports fields, playgrounds, splash pads, trails and linear parks, skate parks, dog parks, and outdoor aquatic facilities.

Councilor Geraci said that the CNY award is prestigious, but getting it from NYS is "top shelf" and when towns are competing it's a rigorous process. He congratulated everyone involved for making all of it possible. He said it was a community effort to make the spray park a success.

Supervisor Wicks said it is always nice to have recognition and the fact that TOL employees received that recognition. He said he knows they appreciate it and he does as well.

At this point in the meeting, **Ms. Falcone** presented the tentative budget to the Board.

Supervisor Wicks noted that he received something from the Association of Towns regarding state funding. He said, *“State funding cuts will largely depend on what happens at the Federal level, but towns may want to prepare for that possibility...”* **Supervisor Wicks** said he thinks TOL needs to do its best to keep the budget the level that it was last year. That means that some things are not going to get done, and some things are not going to get funded (from his perspective). Discussion ensued regarding Ash trees that must come down in the park, the need for a new phone system at TOL, and other budget items that will impact the budget. He would like to hear what the public has to say as far as funding projects.

BUDGET WORK SESSION SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 15, 2020	HIGHWAY	6:00 PM	Auditorium
Monday, October 19, 2020	TOWN CLERK/PARKS AND REC	6:00 PM	Auditorium
Tuesday, October 20, 2020	ENGINEER/CODES/ASSESSOR	6:00 PM	Large Group Room

Citizens Comments

Cindy Clarke of West Genesee Street encouraged everyone to come to the park, because Rose of Sharon was added in the butterfly garden area, and she has reached out to the garden club to see if they can help, as sometimes people have extra plants in their yards to donate.

Supervisor Wicks thanked Ms. Clarke as she has put a lot of time and effort into the park and she has been working with Mr. Burkinshaw.

Supervisor’s Comments

Supervisor Wicks said the county is going to be increasing fees. He said it won’t be in the tax bill but it will be seen in other fees; there can be between a \$60M and a \$100M shortfall. The state is at billions of dollars. The last he knew it was around \$40 billion. He noted that his wife works for the state and they are doing some severe cutting in her organization, so some of these things that TOL might get grants for, or where we get money from the state before, [when Mr. Rahrle and he went through anything that came from the state, they are looking at least 20% reduction] He thinks it’s fair to assume TOL is going to get hit as well. He said some people are out of work and he doesn’t want to raise the budget. He said he won’t vote for anything that he thinks isn’t needed. **Supervisor Wicks** added that HW should be a priority because it’s the biggest service to the town.

Town Board Comments

Councilor Diamond said he agreed with the Supervisor’s comments regarding the budget, and any luxury item which isn’t needed will not be added, and it is not the time to be raising taxes on anyone.

Councilor Moore said he echoed everyone’s concerns about the budget. He also thanked Mr. Yager and Mr. Burkinshaw, and congratulated them on the awards they earned. He also noted that the Spray Park Committee played a big part in that award. He recognized former Board Members Bob Ellis and Joe Saraceni who put their heart and soul into the project. He said they believed in the project, and they love their community.

Department Head Reports

Tony Burkinshaw, Parks and Recreation Supervisor thanked the Spray Park Committee for everything and he said he couldn't have done it without their help. He also thanked Ms. Clarke for her commitment to the park.

Mr. Burkinshaw announced the following:

- Wednesday, October 7th is the deadline for all Halloween Window Painting applications
- Saturday, October 17th Chicken BBQ at Lysander Park starting at Noon until sold out, \$10 per meal/ Seneca River Fire Department (subsequently cancelled)
- Saturday, October 24th is the Annual Window Painting in the Village from 10 am to 2 pm
- Saturday, October 31st the park will be closed and winterized for the season
- Looking for Volunteers to help with the Window Clean up on Sunday, November 1st starting at 9 am in the Village Square behind Key Bank

Ms. Falcone said the Board is going to approve two new deputies and she introduced both of them and welcomed them. They are all looking forward to a new start.

Regular Agenda Items

**MOTION THAT THE LYSANDER TOWN BOARD
BE DESIGNATED AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE TIMBERS**

RES#191/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Diamond that the Lysander Town Board having followed the prescribed SEQR procedures hereby designated itself as LEAD AGENCY for the Timbers Residential Golf Community GPP Amendment #5.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION FOR THE TIMBERS AS AN UNLISTED ACTION AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION

RES#192/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas that the Lysander Town Board having reviewed the SEQR regulations, determined that the proposed land use changes included in the Timbers Residential Golf Community GPP Amendment #5 is an UNLISTED ACTION, and having reviewed the Short Environmental Assessment form, and finding no significant or adverse impacts resulting from the proposed land use changes included in the Timbers Residential Golf Community GPP Amendment #5 the Lysander Town Board issues a NEGATIVE DECLARATION.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE TIMBERS RESIDENTIAL
GOLF COMMUNITY GENERAL PROJECT PLAN (GPP) AMENDMENT NO. 5**

RES#193/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to adopt The Timbers Residential Golf Community General Project Plan (GPP) Amendment #5.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO APPOINT TERRI FERRIGAN AS PART TIME DEPUTY CLERK

RES#194/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to appoint Terri Ferrigan as Part Time Deputy Clerk, appointed by Town Clerk Dina Falcone, at an hourly rate of \$16.75 not to exceed 20 hours per week.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO APPOINT GRETCHEN STARR AS PART TIME DEPUTY CLERK

RES#195/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to appoint Gretchen Starr as Part Time Deputy Clerk, appointed by Town Clerk Dina Falcone at an hourly rate of \$16.75 not to exceed 20 hours per week.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE WHITETAIL WOODS SECTION C CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS COVER SHEET

RES#196/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Whitetail Woods Section C Construction Drawings cover sheet with a latest revision date of June 19, 2020 as recommended in the Town Engineers letter dated September 29, 2020.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Mr. Yager said the planning Board approved a subdivision plat, as there is a requirement to bury the National Grid transmission lines that traverse the development, and remove a walking trail easement along those transmission lines that National Grid wouldn't allow in their easements.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE GENERAL RELEASE FROM ERIE INSURANCE

RES#197/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Geraci to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the general release from Erie Insurance for claim No. A00002670153 to pay for damages caused to the Copperknoll box culvert headwall.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Diamond	Aye		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

There was an accident there, damage was done to the property, and this is the insurance settlement.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ENGINEER TO UTILIZE
D.E. TAROLLI FOR TRENCH AND CULVERT EXCAVATION
FOR THE 48” CULVERT INSTALL IN SENECA ESTATES**

RES#198/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Moore to authorize the Town Engineer to utilize D.E. Tarolli for up to 5 days at a rate of \$5,300/day under the Onondaga County Bid for trench and culvert excavation for the 48” culvert install in Seneca Estates.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

There has been an open excavation that the HW Department left open since October of last year. There is a construction fence around it. Mr. Hole said he doesn't have time to get to it this fall. In the interest of putting the homeowner's yard back together, this is a way to expedite it and get the project done. This area has been dug up in his yard for almost a year now. D.E. has a lot of experience in doing this kind of work since it needs to be done expeditiously, this is the way it should be done; not by County bid.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO
REQUEST AN AREA SPEED/TRAFFIC STUDY FOR PRINE ROAD**

RES#199/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the Town Clerk to request an area speed/traffic study for Prine Road.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

The speed reduction was requested by a resident of Prine Road via email.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN ENGINEER TO UTILIZE
D.E. TAROLLI FOR TRENCH AND CULVERT EXCAVATION
FOR THE RADISSON DRAINAGE DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS**

RES#200/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to authorize the Town Engineer to utilize D.E. Tarolli for up to 5 days at a rate of \$5,300/day under the Onondaga County Bid for trench and culvert excavation for the Radisson Drainage District Improvement projects listed below:

- Yard drain installation between 6200 and 6202 Festival Court
- Yard drain installation between 3023 and 3027 Peony Farm Lane
- Yard Drain installation between Basswood Lane and Amberlea Lane in the Radisson Common Area

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Mr. Yager said these are areas that flood on a regular basis. If there is drainage, it is lower than the property and does not drain properly. He said there should be an approved grading plan added to the new building process.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilor Diamond and seconded by Councilor Geraci to adjourn the regular Town Board Meeting at 7:41 PM.

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

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk