

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on June 15, 2017 at the 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: Town Attorney Anthony Rivizzigno; Al Yager, Town Engineer, Dina Falcone, Town Clerk; David Rahrle, Comptroller; Tony Burkinshaw, Parks and Recreation Supervisor; PAC-B; Gene Dinsmore, Highway Superintendent, and several residents.

Supervisor Saraceni called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm with the Pledge to the Flag.

CITIZENS COMMENTS RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS:

Fred Burtch of Plainville Road referenced CGI and asked about the website. He said the quality of work is excellent, but he said he doesn't see manufacturing jobs in this area being filled and houses and developments not being filled, and asked why the Town is in the market of having people coming into this Town that seems to already have too much traffic and too many kids in its existing schools. Mr. Burtch said he would rather contact CGI and get promotional videos for a full size grocery store. He said Lysander is the only town in the area without a full size supermarket. He mentioned existing roadways, and population. He said if Lysander adds more at the pace it is going, it will become like Liverpool. He said Lysander is losing some farmland and he has concerns that it is outgrowing its capacity.

Kevin Rode of Greymoor Way asked about the flood study special drainage district, and asked if it affected just the homeowners. **Mr. Yager** said yes and said the RCA contracted with the surveyor. Mr. Rode asked what happens if an HOA fails or went away, would the town be stuck with responsibilities. **Town Attorney Rivizzigno** said the HOA is an internal situation and could be enforced. **Mr. Rivizzigno** said an HOA is governed by State Law, and would [have to] get approval to dissolve. Mr. Rode said developers would be on the hook for taking care of problems. **Supervisor Saraceni** said he [the developer] is now.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS:

Councilor Diamond mentioned the cemetery fundraiser and said there were about 35 people in attendance and commended Bonnie Kisselstein, the Town Historian. He said this is a great way to keep history alive and help old cemeteries stay privately run.

Supervisor Saraceni thanked everyone who showed up to support the cemeteries. He said it was a great experience, and Bonnie Kisselstein did an amazing job, and he learned a lot about the cemeteries and landmarks along the way. He thanked Bonnie Kisselstein for narrating the tour, and Bonnie Blake for talking to everyone about the Lysander Union Cemetery. **Supervisor Saraceni** thanked the sponsors, as the tour raised about \$1,500 in actual dollars, and Timber Tree service [for 3 hours of tree work], Nobles Flowers, and Gates Funeral Home. He said he is looking forward to seeing the tour grow in the future, and thanked Golden Sun Bus Services as well.

Supervisor Saraceni stated that the Women's Female Charitable Society is celebrating its 200th year. He presented the Society with a proclamation (will be attached to final Minutes).

Supervisor Saraceni said he had to take a short leave of absence from the work session to speak with the DPW Committee to answer questions in consideration of the annexation of Lysander Park into the Village. He said the Police Department wouldn't be asked to patrol the park; only if needed. He mentioned access to the sewers the paid use of sewers. He said that having the Police Department first in a 911 situation would benefit residents. There will be a joint meeting to consider the consolidation.

Councilor Geraci said he supports the annexation of the Town Park to the Village, but wants to clarify that the Town of Lysander Park is *still* a Town of Lysander park. **Supervisor Saraceni** said it is a non-taxable piece of land, 75 plus acres, which is not in [the Village's] administration.

With the addition of a spray-park, the Village residents will be using it, as it is a benefit to all residents.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RES#115/2017

Motion by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Geraci to adopt the May 18, 2017 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

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Highway Superintendent Gene Dinsmore stated that he returned from the annual meeting for HW Superintendents. HW is working on rebuilding the Chatham Woods subdivision which was a bigger project than anticipated. It was in rough condition but will be handled.

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Tony Burkinshaw stated that the summer programs are underway and registration is available online. He said that Little Kids, Big Trucks Day was a huge success as there were 3,000 people in attendance. He thanked the Lysander Highway Department, Gypsum Express, Village of Baldwinsville, and the local Fire Departments. **Mr. Burkinshaw** stated that registration for the Playground Program is still underway, and there is availability for all 6 weeks. He said you do not need to be a resident to attend the summer program. The first day of the program is July 10th. He noted that the ‘BBQ & Cruise-In’, is July 13th at Lysander Park (rain or shine). The Lysander Community Camp Out is July 29th (rain or shine) with check-in at 3 pm. The cost is \$5 per tent and pre-registration is required. The first concert of the season will be June 20th on Papermill Island with the Baldwinsville Pep Band beginning at 6:30 pm.

Town Engineer Al Yager stated that the Mercer Street reconstruction project bid opening is July 6th, and he hopes to have good interest and has had a good response from contractors.

Comptroller David Rahrle stated that the Town of Lysander received a notice from Onondaga County for its first mortgage payment beginning in July. The Town of Lysander is going to receive \$237,209 for the first payment (two payments per year) and that’s \$34K higher than the first payment last year. Historically the second payment has always been larger. Town of Lysander has budgeted for \$435K totally.

Mr. Rahrle met with a representative from Fiscal Advisors last week, and the Town of Lysander is putting together a serial bond to wrap up some BANs that are outstanding for various projects that have been going on for the last two years, they will combine them into one serial bond. It will become long term financing instead of year to year renewal: West Genesee Sewer District Extension No. 1, Water District repair, and the water meter replacement project and West Genesee Extension No. 1, which totals \$334K. He said the Town will be saving thousands of dollars. He was estimating the savings would be about \$50,000. The interest rate won’t be known until it goes out to market. The anticipated date is September 22nd.

Town Clerk Dina Falcone stated that fishing licenses are available at the Town Clerk’s Office. The cost for a year-round NYS resident license is \$25.00 for those 16 to 69 years of age. Children 15 and under are not required to have a license. For those who are over 70 years of age or military disabled the cost is \$5.00. There is also one day (\$5.00) and 7 day (\$12.00) license. In addition, we have the 2017 Freshwater Fishing Guide issued by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

Supervisor Saraceni stated that he saw the article in the Messenger regarding Mosquito Beaters available in the Clerk's Office. **Ms. Falcone** stated that Mosquito Beaters are available in limited quantity.

Supervisor Saraceni made a comment regarding audience members asking questions to Department Heads during Department Head Reports period. He said that he has allowed questions to be asked, but that the audience should refrain from asking questions until the Citizens Comments period.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DEPUTY P. BLACKFORD AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR DA SECURITY AND TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

RES#116/2017

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize Deputy P. Blackford as a substitute for DA Security and Town Board meetings.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH CGI

RES#117/2017

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Geraci to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign a three year agreement with CGI for promotional videos at no cost to the Town of Lysander.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Supervisor Saraceni stated that there were concerns brought up by residents regarding advertising, and issues of the Town associated with certain advertisers. He requested CGI's policy, and said it is clear with reference to their standards, that those concerns would be addressed through CGI's policy. He said the Town should be promoting itself.

Councilor Geraci stated that he is supporting this. He said when you market; you market from a position of strength. This is celebrating to the world how great Lysander is.

MOTION TO HIRE JULIANNA MANGANO AS RECREATIONAL AIDE

RES#118/2017

Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Moore to hire Julianna Mangano as Recreational Aide for additional office help in the Parks and Recreation Department, as of May 8, 2017 at a rate of \$9.70 per hour.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Mr. Burkinshaw said Ms. Mangano was originally approved under "Parks Summer Staff" and she's not; she is considered "Clerical".

**MOTION TO WAIVE FIREWORKS PERMIT
FEE ON BEHALF OF VILLAGE OF PHOENIX**

RES#119/2017

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Diamond to waive the permit fee of \$300 for a Fireworks Display (pyro permit fee) on behalf of the Village of Phoenix for their June 23, 2017 “Food & Music at Bridge House – Nite Life Event” with Fireworks at dusk with an expected duration of ten (10) minutes, for property located at 9354 River Road, Phoenix, New York.

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 this is the same request as last year from the Municipality of Phoenix. This is the second year of the fee.

**MOTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION
NUMBER 108 REGARDING MERCER STREET BIDS**

RES#120/2017

Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Diamond to rescind the May 4, 2017 Resolution No. 108, regarding the advertisement and opening of bids for the Mercer Street Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements Project.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO ALLOW ADVERTISEMENT
FOR MERCER STREET BIDS**

RES#121/2017

Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for the Mercer Street Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements Project. Bids will be opened on July 6, 2017 at 10:00 am.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Mr. Yager stated that the reason for rescinding the first item is that in the process of designing this plan, he had a resident ask about an easement regarding properties, and the final plat does not show any easements. He said there is not a drainage district there. In researching the issue, he found that there are many easements that were filed after the fact that weren't shown on the final plat. If there was a mechanism where he could slip line, he would have included that in this bid. Mr. Yager stated that unfortunately there is not a funding mechanism, and if there is a need to slip line those pipes after the fact, it can be done without disturbing the roadway. Moving forward, he did delay the actual bid opening date by a couple of weeks due to that discovery.

Supervisor Saraceni asked Mr. Rivizzigno asked if the Town receives grant money for the project, can grant dollars be applied toward it. Mr. Rivizzigno said probably, because the Town is not charging a district. He said the problem with not having a district, is having someone else pay for it, so there has to be a mechanism, unless there is a restriction in the grant it could be done.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITIONAL RADISSON DRAINAGE DISTRICT
SPECIAL DISTRICT CHARGE ON THE 2018 TAX ROLL FOR PROPERTIES
INCLUDED IN THE FLOOD HAZARD ZONE**

RES#122/2017

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Ellis to authorize the additional Radisson Drainage District Special District Charge on the 2018 tax roll for the properties included in the Flood Hazard Zone A along Tributary 6 to the Seneca River to cover the cost associated with the additional survey data that was required to complete the flood study in the amount of \$264 per affected parcel.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE CHANGE ORDER TO
THE WEST GENESEE SEWER DISTRICT AND WEST GENESEE SEWER DISTRICT
EXTENSION NO. 1/CONTRACT NO. 3 GRINDER PUMP PURCHASE**

RES#123/2017

Motion made by Councilor Ellis seconded by Councilor Moore to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Change Order to the West Genesee Sewer District and West Genesee Sewer District Extension No. 1 Contract No. 3, Grinder Pump Equipment Purchase in the amount of \$75,879 to purchase grinder pumps, ballast systems and air release manhole equipment required for West Genesee Sewer District Extension No. 2 with all costs to be paid by the property owners included in West Genesee Sewer District Extension No. 2.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO REQUEST THAT THE NYSDOT
PERFORM A SPEED STUDY ON NYS RTE. 370 AND DUNHAM ROAD TO THE
INTERSECTION OF NYS RTE. 370 and EMERICK ROAD**

RES#124/2017

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the Town Clerk to request that the NYSDOT perform a speed study on NYS Rte. 370 and Dunham Road to the intersection of NYS Rte. 370 and Emerick Road.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Councilor Geraci asked if there would need to be an amendment. In the work session he said he thought the Board should ask DOT to look at all of 370, maybe as far as Seneca Estates, and East Mud Lake Road. Mr. Yager said that has been visited before. Mr. Yager said at that specific section there have been three accidents and there is a sag vertical curve between Dunham Road and Blue Ridge Circle that serves as a blind spot. There's a potential to pull out in front of a car that is in the sag/vertical curve. He also talked with Jack Corey, and there is concern in the Seneca Estates neighborhood as well. DOT felt it wasn't warranted. He isn't sure if the DOT has looked at the area around Dunham Road. Discussion ensued regarding requesting two separate traffic studies.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO REQUEST THAT THE NYSDOT PERFORM A SPEED STUDY FROM EAST MUD LAKE ROAD TO DUNHAM ROAD

RES#125/2017

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Ellis to authorize the Town Clerk to request that the NYSDOT perform a speed study on NYS 370 from East Mud Lake Road to Dunham Road.

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

All Ayes, motion carried and adopted

CITIZENS COMMENTS RELATED TO TOWN BUSINESS:

Kevin Rode of Greymoor Way handed out a Public Notice regarding New York Ordinance Works. He wanted to make the Town aware of it. (The Public Notice will be attached to the final minutes). Mr. Rode’s worry is seepage, and asked the Town to look into it and see what can be done. **Supervisor Saraceni** said he would talk with Mr. Yager about it, and Mr. Yager said he wasn’t aware of it but would look into it as well.

Mr. Rode said that he attended the cemetery tour. He had a suggestion regarding older people, and maybe next year try and make the times be from 10 am to 4 pm with a couple of tours [with a smaller bus], instead of letting people out to walk through the cemeteries [the smaller bus would be able to drive into the cemeteries]. He suggested a “History of Lysander” tour also. **Supervisor Saraceni** said he was thinking of a “Road Tour”.

Mr. Rode attended the Little Kids Big Trucks event, and asked about the Park sign. Mr. Burkinshaw said the sign was up.

Regarding the cemetery tour, **Supervisor Saraceni** mentioned the sidewalk on Route 48. Mr. Rode asked if there was grant money for that. **Supervisor Saraceni** said a grant was received in the amount of \$263,000 to link from the Chaucer Circle sidewalk to the intersection of Hourglass and Country Lane. It will be on the East side of the road. Mr. Rode asked if the Town installs the sidewalk if that includes upkeep. **Supervisor Saraceni** said the Town is in discussions with the Village of Baldwinsville regarding the sidewalk. He said it could be up to 18 months until it is addressed.

Mr. Rode asked about the Deputy Code Enforcement Officer position. He asked if the position is part time or full time. **Supervisor Saraceni** said the Town is envisioning a seasonal full time position.

Fred Burtch of Plainville Road referred to the proposed spray park. He said he heard language as to “when it’s installed.” **Supervisor Saraceni** said there’s a consensus of the Board; there is not a formal vote, but the Town is moving forward with the project. Mr. Burtch asked how many petition signatures would be required to obtain a forced referendum vote on the proposed Village’s annexation of the Lysander Park. **Tony Rivizzigno** said it is not subject to referendum. Mr. Burtch said the Village has oversight of several parks. Discussion ensued regarding the Village and the Northwest Fire District.

Mr. Burtch commented on Councilor Diamond’s count of the people who attended the cemetery tour, and noted that in a video he saw there were at least 25 people in attendance. He asked about the money that was donated. **Supervisor Saraceni** said the bulk of the money was raised by sponsors. **Supervisor Saraceni** said the actual number in attendance was closer to 22 or 25.

Mr. Burtch mentioned recent discussions regarding road repair and capital projects for resurfacing of roads involving the Town Engineer and Highway Department Superintendent. He asked if the Board was aware of a NYS Supreme Court decision in Clarkstown [an Appellate Division case]. He referenced Clarkstown losing an appeal regarding Highway Departments and mechanics. He heard rumors that maintenance may be done through the School District, and referred to the case. [crosstalk ensued] **Supervisor Saraceni** said that it was a personnel matter regarding displacing personnel and outsourcing work. He said the Highway Superintendent and the Town Engineer worked it out. Mr. Burtch asked that the Board review the case. Discussion ensued regarding work/mechanics/maintenance issues/routine maintenance.

Councilor Geraci told Mr. Burtch that he was making allegations and intimations that the Town is doing something wrong. **Councilor Geraci** stated that the Town is not doing anything wrong. He said that what **Supervisor Saraceni** said was that the Highway Superintendent and the Town Engineer agreed and worked out the issue. He said the Town does things by consensus and it is not about to do something that is going to land them in court.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY SUPERVISOR SARACENI

1. **Town Board Meeting:** Thursday, July 6, 2017, 7:00 pm, Work Session begins at 5:30 pm in the Auditorium.
2. **Town Board Meeting:** Thursday, July 20, 2017, 7:00 pm, Work Session begins at 5:30 pm in the Auditorium.
3. **Planning Board Meeting:** Thursday, July 13, 2017, 7:00 pm, in the Auditorium.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilor Diamond and seconded by Councilor Moore to adjourn the regular Town Board Meeting at 7:59 pm.

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

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk