

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on August 20, 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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roman Diamond, Councilor

OTHERS PRESENT: Dina Falcone, Town Clerk; Anthony Rivizzigno, Town Attorney; Al Yager, Town Engineer, 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.

Supervisor Wicks said that Councilor Diamond was ill with a fever and cough and would not be in attendance this evening. In addition, **Supervisor Wicks** stated that if Department Heads are not really needed [at the meeting], he has asked them not to attend, as the meetings are getting full, and he wanted to make sure there are enough chairs and this will allow more people to attend the meeting.

Adoption of Minutes

RES#134/2020

Motion by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to adopt the August 6, 2020 Town Board Meeting minutes.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Public Hearing No. 1

LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 180 – TAXATION EXEMPTION FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKERS

RES#135/2020

Motion by Councilor Moore 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	Absent		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Comments:

Jim Strusinik: *I have no objection to supporting our volunteers, but I don't think that the tax rolls are the way. There are better ways. Thank you.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Anyone else for or against?*

RES#136/2020

Having heard all comments, a Motion was made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Moore to close the public hearing at 7:02 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Public Hearing No. 2

LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 129 – VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS FOR BOTH EAST BOUND AND WEST BOUND HOURGLASS LANE TRAFFIC AT THE INTERSECTION OF COACHMANS WHIP

RES#137/2020

Motion by Councilor Kudauraskas seconded by Councilor Geraci to open the public hearing at 7:03 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Comments:

Tom Lilienthal: *I will not speak against it but speak for it.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Either way, and you can pull your mask down if you'd like.*

Mr. Lilienthal: *Thank you for the hearing. I speak on behalf of most of Giddings Crest, there are neighbors over here as well. That intersection is a dangerous spot and also a bus stop for elementary and high school students. With the increased housing that is going into the development as well as the flow of traffic from construction, that has become a dangerous area, and it is also a blind corner. This is a great idea. Not just from a current public safety standpoint but for the community in general.*

Dianne Gelormo: *I live on that corner and as you can see I'm handicapped in a wheelchair, and trying to get in and out of my driveway - we have a slope, and the time it takes me out to get on the road or into my driveway, cars come whizzing in there, this is safety. There are a lot of younger drivers in the neighborhood, and they come flying through there and so with the new housing there are going to be young children on their bikes and scooters and sometimes those cars come very close and it can be scary what might happen - and a four-way stop is very beneficial especially when the school busses are out.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Okay, thank you. Anyone else for or against?*

RES#138/2020

Having heard all comments for and/or against, a Motion was made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Moore to close the public hearing at 7:03 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Public Hearing No. 3

LOCAL LAW AMENDING TOL CODE ARTLCE XXIX – SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

RES#139/2020

Motion by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to open the public hearing at 7:05 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Comments:

Town Clerk Dina Falcone read the amendments as follows:

Solar farms and solar power plants shall be permitted in the Agricultural (A) and AR-40 Districts, in the incentive zoning overlay district areas solar farms and solar power plants will be considered as part of the overall incentive zoning letter of intent provided they meet the Town’s goals and objectives for the incentive zoning overlay area as an “electric generating” use subject to site plan review by the Planning Board, subject to the following supplementary regulations: (A through J has not changed) Number (1): A reclamation bond in an amount equal to the NYSERDA New York State Solar Guidebook estimated decommissioning cost shall be filed with the Town Clerk to cover the costs of reclamation of any and all solar system installation components whether above or below ground. In addition, should the solar system be nonoperational for any continuous twelve-month period (to be consistent with #2 below) or if the bond expires and is not renewed, the approvals granted shall be deemed void and the solar system shall be decommissioned or subject to a new approval under this section. Such bond shall be in place prior to the issuance of a building permit. The value of the decommissioning security shall be required to increase 2.5% annually to cover the cost of inflation.

RES#140/2020

Having heard all comments for and/or against, a Motion was made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to close the public hearing at 7:08 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Citizens Comments

None.

Supervisor’s Comments

Supervisor Wicks said there are a lot of things going on in TOL. He said there are many initiatives that are positive for TOL; but they are still in early stages, so he will cover them in future meetings. One of the things he wanted to let the residents know is that that the HW Department members of the union filed a grievance with TOL. There have been negotiations in trying to settle that grievance and it was not able to be settled to the satisfaction of TOL or the union. **Supervisor Wicks** said they are most likely headed toward arbitration. He also said TOL is entering into contract negotiations with the office employees in TOL. Last year they were able to form a union, and they were in the early stages of that, and currently they are in contract negotiations. When that is completed he will let everyone know how that goes.

Town Board Comments

The Town Board thanked the members of the audience for being there and chose to focus on the agenda.

Department Head Reports

Mr. Yager said letters are being mailed out regarding the swale mowing. He said most of them are for Radisson and there are some in Clinton Heights. He also said that TOL is putting out an RFP for Radisson Drainage improvements next week.

Councilor Geraci asked Mr. Yager a question, “After we chip seal a road, like Dinglehole Road, several weeks later they sweep the road. What happens to that gravel?” **Mr. Yager** said it depends. He said if [HW] has a use for it they will repurpose it the best they can, if they don’t have an immediate use for it, and if it is contaminated, (as far as not clean stone anymore; dust, dirt, debris) they will give it away for fill to people in the immediate area. **Councilor Geraci** asked, “So we don’t charge people or - that we just give it away?” **Mr. Yager** said not that he is aware of, he doesn’t know. **Councilor Geraci** said he would like to make a point for them to put that on their list of things to look into because he thought they had made a move, that with whatever TOL is giving away, or had to give away, whether it was, “That kind of stuff, or ditch cleaning stuff, none of it is good stuff - but if people want it, I thought we were making a move where we were going to sell it and not give it away - that there was a price for everything.”

Councilor Geraci also said, “I would like to remind all of us to put that on our list of things to discuss with the HW Department. It is ripe for playing favorites for doing things for people I don’t want any suspicion from this town as to giving town property away.”

Supervisor Wicks said they will see if we can get the HW Superintendent here at the next meeting, so he can ask that question.

Regular Agenda Items

MOTION TO DECLARE THE JOHN DEER AERATOR SURPLUS/PARKS AND REC

RES#141/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to declare the John Deer aerator surplus in the Parks and Recreation Department. (Serial No. E00270G759125) (tag no. 00582).

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MAP, PLAN & REPORT FOR THE
EMERICK ROAD WATER DISTRICT EXTENSION AND TO
HOLD AND ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING SAME**

RES#142/2020

Motion made by Councilor Kudauraskas seconded by Councilor Moore to accept the Map, Plan & Report for the Emerick Road Water District Extension prepared by Stephen J. Darcangelo, P.E.; Village of Baldwinsville Engineer, and authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for a public hearing to be held September 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Lysander Town Hall for the proposed Emerick Road Water District Extension #1.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Mr. Yager said the land was subdivided by the Village; it is the DPW lot. Two additional lots off of Emerick Road – property they weren’t using just mowing. Those two new lots are not in the water district so the thing to do so that they are inside the district and covered under the town and village lease (town’s water system) is to extend the water district to cover the parcels.

**MOTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION
NUMBER 122 OF 2020 REGARDING BIDS FOR THE MOTT
ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

RES#143/2020

Motion made by Councilor Kudauraskas seconded by Councilor Moore to rescind Resolution Number 122 of 2020 regarding bids for the Mott Road Drainage Improvements and Reconstruction Project.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Mr. Yager noted his office is running behind, but he is ready to go now – the bid date is being rescinded.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK
TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE MOTT ROAD
DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

RES#144/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for bids for the Mott Road Drainage Improvements and Reconstruction Project. Bids for the project must be received no later than 10:00 AM September 2, 2020.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO ACCEPT DEDICATION
OF THE POMPO WOODS PHASE II SANITARY
SEWER AND DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE**

RES#145/2020

Motion made by Councilor Kudauskas seconded by Councilor Moore to accept dedication of the Pompo Woods Phase II sanitary sewer and drainage infrastructure with the issuance date of September, 2018, of the \$10,000 maintenance bond provided by the developer.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO APPROVE THE OTHER APPOINTMENT

RES#146/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to approve the 'Other Appointments' of employees as presented on the agenda at the Organization Meeting held on January 2, 2020, by Supervisor Robert A. Wicks, Town Clerk Dina Falcone, and Highway Superintendent Jerald Hole.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Supervisor Wicks explained that during the organizational meeting that this was left off of the items that needed to be covered. He said there were Town Board appointments, but this was left off, so they had to make sure that they carry this through. He said this was his first day in office and there was a lot of paperwork, so at the next organizational meeting he will make sure that it won't be missed. It shouldn't be left off next time.

New Business/Other

None.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to adjourn the regular Town Board Meeting at 7:22 PM.

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

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk