

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on September 17, 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, and several guests and residents.

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

Supervisor Wicks asked for a moment of silence to recognize Mary Ella and Elizabeth Annal, ages 11 and 9, who were involved in a horrific accident on September 3rd where they lost their lives, and their mother is still in the hospital with severe injuries.

Adoption of Minutes

RES#168/2020

Motion by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to adopt the September 3, 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 No. 1

LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GML SECTION 3-C

RES#169/2020

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	Aye		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Supervisor Wicks: *Every year we pass this in order to make sure that we happen to go over the tax limit, which this year, I think it's either 2% or the lower of the cost of living. I think this year it's 1.6, or 1.8 percent, I'm not sure right now, but we do that just in case, for some reason, we have to go over that, we need to pass this local law. Now, my objective this year, is to come in with no tax increase. I have been looking at the numbers, and I think at this point right now I think that we should be able to do that, we might have to make some hard choices, but I think it's important this year, with 30M people across the US and certainly some of those people live in the Town of Lysander, to at least do as much as we can to relieve that tax burden on our residents. The state and the County, I don't know what they are going to do, but things don't look that good for them, and it doesn't look good for the residents of Onondaga County either. So that is what this is all about.*

RES#170/2020

Having heard no 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	Aye		

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Citizens Comments

Norma Newman from Pulaski explained her situation with running the three cemeteries, Plainville, Jacksonville and Lysander, and asked that the Board keep the \$10K that is allocated toward their care.

Bonnie Keller Blake was in attendance and agreed with Ms. Newman regarding the funding. She has not submitted vouchers at this time for some of the maintenance. There will be a voucher for driveway expenses, maintenance, and other fees for mowing, etc. A new metal roof is needed on the building and the funds TOL provides will help with that expense.

Councilor Geraci asked if there was there is anyone appointed to cemeteries. The contact is Bob Ellis and he is chair of the Cemetery Committee. Ms. Falcone is also on that committee. **Ms. Falcone** said anyone can call her if there are issues with cemeteries in Lysander, as she runs Chase Cemetery. **Councilor Geraci** also said that if cemeteries fail in terms of administration, the Town is obligated to take them over.

Supervisor Wicks said that he and Ms. Falcone talked about the allocation of the cemeteries in the budget. He doesn't see the \$10K changing. He said he appreciates what the administrators of the cemeteries do.

Supervisor's Comments

Supervisor Wicks said HW has working on road projects. Patchett Road is complete. He said Mott Road is currently being worked on. He has seen the work and according to Mr. Yager, that road should last 50 years. It should enhance the drainage for the neighbors that are up there. There were a lot of drainage problems on both sides of the road and the work should eliminate the problem.

Councilor Geraci asked if TOL received the money from the Collington Pointe Development. **Mr. Rahrle** said yes.

Supervisor Wicks continued and noted that HW oil and stoned the parking lot, and it is now sealed and looks better. He said they did some additional maintenance on it, and fixed the lighting as well. He said residents are happy with how the park looks.

Supervisor Wicks mentioned the budget. He said department heads are working on it and his goal is to get it to where there is no tax increase, and hopefully it can be done. It is his first budget, so there is a learning curve for him as well, but he has been working with Mr. Rahrle, and they have been reviewing it. The employees have done a very good job [starting on their budgets] in March, when he asked them to start cutting their discretionary spending. In addition, there should be a \$60K savings in Parks and Recreation.

The HW is doing very well where there should be a surplus, even though they bought additional equipment this year. HW did all of the roadwork that was scheduled with the exception of Willett Parkway, and that was due to funding issues. He was worried about the funding from the state, so that was pushed out until next year. Right now, everything that was planned has been done.

Town Board Comments

Councilor Kudarauskas asked about the oil and stonework/grading in the parking lot of the park. He said there is a "speed bump" where the oil and stone was done. He would like to see it graded nicely before the oil and stone is put down. He said it is an eyesore/traffic hazard. He mentioned the meeting at the park with the committee to discuss the tennis courts and additional pickle ball courts. People were asking about lights as well, and that is something that they will revisit.

Councilor Diamond said he is happy with how the budget process is going. He said he saw the parks budget. He said he is excited about the rest of the budgets and is hoping to keep the budget flat this year.

Mr. Rahrle said TOL closed on the serial bonds on Monday for the LED lighting project at 1.7%.

Ms. Falcone noted the following calendar for Parks and Recreation as per Mr. Burkinshaw:

- 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
- 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

Supervisor Wicks said that if people can mail their taxes in, that would be very helpful. There is also a drop box for taxes, which will make it convenient so that residents don't have to come into the building. **TOL is trying to keep as few people in the building as they can to limit exposure.** The drop box is secure, and taxes will be stamped on the same day. **He asked if people are sick to please stay home.**

Regular Agenda Items

**MOTION TO ADOPT A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE
THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GML SECTION C-C**

RES#171/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to adopt a local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c.

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 CONTRACT WITH CARRIER**

RES#172/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the contract with Carrier Commercial Services in the amount of \$1,655. This is a yearly contract.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Carrier carries TOL's software. They are the only establishment which carries the software needed for the system.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2020 BUDGET
MODIFICATIONS AS PRESENTED BY THE TOWN COMPTROLLER**

RES#173/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Diamond to approve the 2020 Budget Modifications as presented by the Town Comptroller.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

Councilor Geraci asked for clarification regarding the difference in title. Mr. Rahrle said there was a secretary, then there is the clerk. Supervisor Wicks said that instead of waiting until the end of the year to do budget transfers, they will do them as they arise.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A COMMUNITY HOST AGREEMENT WITH OYA AT SOLAR CHURCH ROAD SITES A AND B

RES#174/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to amend the mileage for Country Lane to 0.58 mile. *The original resolution that was passed on July 30, 1971 has the road listed as .32 mile, which is incorrect).*

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

The HW Superintendent keeps a book of all roads in the town, and as his secretary was going to update the book, they saw there was a discrepancy when he measured the road. It has to be correct for CHIPS funding.

MOTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT THE TIMBERS RESIDENTIAL GOLF COMMUNITY GENERAL PROJECT PLAN (GPP) AMENDMENT #5

RES#175/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to hold a public hearing to adopt The Timbers Residential Golf Community General Project Plan (GPP) Amendment #5 on Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Lysander Town Hall. This motion shall authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for same.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO REDUCE THE PETTY CASH AMOUNT IN PARKS AND RECREATION FROM \$400 TO \$200

RES#176/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to declare the black computer desk in the Highway Department as surplus.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Discussion:

\$400 is not needed per Mr. Rahrle.

New Business/Other

None.

Adjournment

RES#177/2020

A motion was made by Councilor Diamond and seconded by Councilor Geraci to adjourn the regular Town Board Meeting and enter into Executive Session at 7:22 PM.

RES#178/2020

A motion was made by Councilor Geraci and seconded by Councilor Diamond to adjourn Executive Session at 8:00 PM.

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

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk