

Aug. 31, 2016

The Town Board of the Town of Lyons met for a meeting on Wed. Aug. 31, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Board meeting room.

Present: Jake Emmel, Councilman
Nancy Collins, Councilwoman
Joanne Greco, Councilwoman
Phil DeSain, Councilman
Sal Colatarci, Town Clerk
Tim Moore, Highway Supt.

Also Present: Tony Villani, atty., Jim Wedman, Bob Milliman, Bob Follette, Pete Mastracy, John Wiltsie, Dale Kenville, Sharon Lubitow, Bob Stopper, Joan Wallis, Stuart Smart,

Absent: Brian Manktelow, Supervisor

This meeting was duly noticed by contacting the Times of Wayne newspaper, as well as posting a notice on the Town bulletin board and on the Town's web site.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

As Supervisor Manktelow was absent from the meeting, Deputy Supervisor Nancy Collins conducted the meeting.

Councilman Emmel moved to approve the minutes from the July 27 meeting and the Aug. 17 workshop. Motion seconded by Councilman DeSain. Vote:

Councilman Emmel voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilwoman Collins voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye

Mr. Bob Stopper then addressed the Board concerning the Erie Canal. He first and foremost wanted to thank various Town employees and Lyons residents for all the help he has received for making the Lyons stop on the Erie Canal such a popular location. He also spent time making the Town Board aware of various issues that he believes need to be corrected and/or repaired at the Lyons dock. He also mentioned that the Town needs to decide soon whether it wants to be a part of the Bi-Centennial Canal Celebration in 2017. Mr. Stopper fielded several questions and then was thanked by the Board for all he has done to make the canal stop in Lyons so popular.

The Board then referred to Town Attorney Villani regarding necessary steps to place a handicapped parking sign near the Elks Club on Church Street. He explained that the Town needs to hold a public hearing on the matter which would allow the Town Board to designate such parking spaces as handicapped by a simple resolution, rather than holding a separate Public hearing for each time a parking spot might be designated for handicapped parking. After a discussion, Councilman DeSain moved that the Public hearing on the matter be held at the next regular workshop, Wed. Sept. 21 at 7.00 p.m. at the Town Hall. Motion seconded by Councilman Emmel. Vote:

Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman Emmel voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilwoman Collins voting aye

Town Clerk Colatarci then explained that the Town had received correspondence earlier in the month from an attorney handling the will of the late James Vosteen. Mr. Vosteen has bequest that payment be established for floral memorials on the graves of his family at the Elmwood Cemetery. He was bequeathing that floral attention be given to the grave sites at least on Memorial Day, and other holidays. As the Town does not take responsibility for the placement of flowers on graves, Mr. Villani, Town Atty., suggested that the Town Board simply pass a resolution disclaiming the bequest, and alerting the attorney handling the Vosteen will.

After a discussion, Councilman Emmel moved to decline and disclaim the bequest to the Town of Lyons by will of James W. Vosteen and to notify the attorney of such action. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Greco. Vote:

Councilwoman Collins voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman Emmel voting aye

Department reports were heard. Acting Ambulance Administrator John Wiltsie stated that the department responded to a total of 144 calls in July 2016. Also, he stated that the department received an anonymous donation of a brand new 43 inch television.

Assessor Tina McQuillen, in her written report stated that all agriculture exemption renewals have been mailed out and many are being mailed back in to her office. The enhanced STAR renewals got mailed out this week.

Highway Supt. Tim Moore reported that his department did over 20 items during the month including resurfacing south Layton Street road and Broad Street. Also, helped neighboring towns with paving work. Also brush grinding at the Cole Road landfill is complete. The crew continues to get familiarized with the new bucket truck.

Buildings and grounds Foreman Ben Follette presented a listing of over 2 dozens tasks completed during the month including mowing and weed whacking DeBusse Rd and Rt. 14 cemeteries, maintaining banks along Route 14 and Geneva Street extension.

Councilman DeSain moved to approve payment of general Fund vouchers #412 through #477 totaling \$176,102.20 and Highway Fund vouchers #141 through #477 totaling \$48,578.36
Motion seconded by Councilman Emmel. Vote:

Councilwoman Collins voting aye
Councilman Emmel voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye

Town Clerk Colatarci mentioned that the Town Hall is a drop off site for the "Re-Walk" shoe drive. Dr. Ray Antocicco chairs the program and has selected various Town Halls as drop off sites for used shoes to be sent to 3rd World countries. Anyone is welcome to donate good used shoes (no high heels) at the Town Hall.

Deputy Supervisor Collins then asked if there were any comments or questions from the audience. Sharon Lubitow questioned when the two fountains in the park will be fixed. Highway Supt. Tim Moore explained that project will begin after the Cole Road resurfacing project is complete, following the Labor Day holiday.

At 7:30 p.m., Councilman Emmel then moved to go into executive session to discuss the hiring of the full time Code Enforcement Officer. Motion seconded by Councilman DeSain. Vote:

Councilman Emmel voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilwoman Collins voting aye

At 8:00 p.m., Councilman Emmel moved to come out of executive session and to vote on hiring the candidate for the position of full time Code Enforcement Officer. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Greco. Vote:

Councilman Emmel voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilwoman Collins voting aye

The vote for the candidate was as follows:

Councilman Emmel voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting no
Councilwoman Collins voting no

As the vote resulted in a tie, no action can be taken on the hiring at this time.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Sal J. Colatarci
Lyons Town Clerk

