

Sept. 25, 2019

The Town Board of the Town of Lyons met for a meeting on Sept. 25, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Board meeting room.

Present: Jake Emmel, Supervisor
John Paliotti, Councilman
Joanne Greco, Councilwoman
Ralph D'Amato, Councilman
James Brady, Councilman
Sal Colatarci, Town Clerk
Tim Moore, Highway Supt.

Also Present: Dale Kenville, Bob Milliman, Mark DeCracker, Pat Hewes, Ann Salerno, Kayla Sturgill, Amy Shaffer, Glen Wasman, Richard Bogan, Dan Lagasse, Theresa Streb, Linda Guest, Bob Stopper, Joan Wallis, Tony Villani, Les Bartley, Ann Wick, Casey Carpenter, Sharon Lubitow

Absent:

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.

Councilwoman Greco moved to accept the minutes from the Aug. 28, 2019 meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Mr. Bob Stopper, along with several Lyons Canal Greeters then addressed the Board regarding. Joan Wallis indicated the Boat Greeters look forward to working with the Town Board in making Lyons a stop that boaters can look forward to making. Mark DeCracker requested that the Town be lead agency for a grant he would be willing to spear-head, only asking that the Town provide matching funds, even in the form of in-kind services. The Town Board gave Mr. DeCracker a verbal okay but asked to know more info about the grant. He said he would meet with Councilman Brady in the very near future with details. Mr. Stopper indicated that the number of boats stopping in Lyons has been declining. In 2017, there were 328 boats making a stop here. With 3 weeks remaining in this boating season, that number is down to 142.

The Board then discussed a letter received from the Main Street Program and the Chamber of Commerce regarding the appearance of Downtown Lyons. The group feels that the downtown section needs some sprucing up. They point out that the hanging flower baskets should be taken down, grass is growing along the sidewalks and curbs. There are weeds growing along the sides of buildings. Councilman Brady stated that since the letter was written, a number of the issues have been corrected.

The Board then reviewed the 2019 PumpkinPalooza application. The event will take place Oct. 12. All necessary paperwork, including proof of insurance, was submitted by the committee. The Code Enforcement Officer, Town Clerk, Ambulance Administrator, and Supt. of Highways have signed off on the event indicating they have seen the plan/proposal and have approved of it. After a brief discussion, Councilwoman Greco moved to accept the application and allow the event. Motion seconded by Councilman Brady. Vote:

Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman Brady voting aye

Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Department reports were heard. Code Enforcement Officer Richard Bogan reported from August 27, 2019 through September 23, 2019:

Building Permits issued: ... 35
Building Permits Cleared, compliance issued....13

Violation/Order to Remedy issued: ...19
Violations Cleared:35

Other Permits: 9 inflow inspections,
Operating permit inspections.... Ongoing re-inspections, 6 fire safety inspections

Appearance Tickets ...
8793 Lyons Marengo Road, un-secure farm animals
7537 Old Lyons Rd, Driveways
1 Butternut, Dumpster
167 Water, garbage

Zoning and Planning: planning meeting and zoning meeting
4 Montezuma St, Special Permit, used car sales.

Assessor Kayla Sturgill reported Property Transfers(Sales) in Aug totaled 13:

9 Arms length (usable for valuation purposes)
3 quit claim(between family members, owner changes etc.)-not valuation usable
1 foreclosure

September has been a busier month. Many phone calls regarding school bills, address changes, and assessment questions.

County association meeting have resumed. Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at noon for the executive committee lunch at EB Gator's, and the regular meeting is at 1:30 at the county. Ms. Sturgill has been approached by other members of the association to be nominated for vice president.

Ms. Sturgill requested board permission to attend a course offered by NYSAA on Preparing for A Reassessment to be held on Friday December 12. She is anticipating doing a town-wide update in 2021, It is being held in the town of Hudson, NY, south of Albany so she would like permission to get a hotel room Thursday night to be there for the class registration at 8:30. After some questions, Councilman Brady moved to grant permission. Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

There is also an Exemption one day seminar November 8, 2019 in Auburn.

Tax rates have been updated and are available on the Wayne County website.

The address verification request from the Census bureau was completed on 9/12. It took around 2 hours to verify all 140 addresses and print documentation on the properties that were residential that they needed to know and which were commercial.

Ambulance Director John Wiltsie, in his written report, indicated the new generator will soon be installed. He received 2 quotes for two entry doors and a window at the ambulance base:

Dobbins contracting: \$4,153.53

KRP Construction: \$4,775.00

Mr. Wiltsie is looking to use donation money for the project.

After a discussion, Councilwoman Greco moved to award the job to Dobbins Contracting at the quoted price.

Motion seconded by Councilman Paliotti. Vote:

Councilwoman Greco voting aye

Councilman Paliotti voting aye

Councilman Brady voting aye

Councilman D'Amato voting aye

Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Buildings and Grounds Foreman Dale Kenville reported brush pick up continues. Maintenance work continues around the Town including repairing the door on the gazebo in the park and numerous tree trimmings. Also, updated all street lights that are burned out and reported them to the Town Clerk so they could be called in to NYSEG. Also, painted the parking spaces in the downtown area, as well as doing some masonry work in the park.

Highway Supt. Tim Moore reported they have completed the roadways in the South Lyons Cemetery. Also, Gates are up at the old landfill and the cameras at the brush pile are fixed and operating. The department has been hauling salt and sand in preparation of the winter months. Also, a great amount of time is being spent on the storm drain in front of the Fire House on Water Street. Both the Water Authority and the Village of Newark have tried to clear it out, with no luck. JAMCO attempted to clear it out today but was not successful.

Councilman Paliotti then moved to accept the 2020 tentative Town budget as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilman Paliotti voting aye

Councilman D'Amato voting aye

Councilman Brady voting aye

Councilwoman Greco voting aye

Supervisor Emmel voting aye

The tentative budget is the first step in the budget process. The Board will continue to work on the budget until the final Preliminary budget is ready in October. Meanwhile, Councilman Paliotti moved to hold a public hearing on the proposed 2020 Town budget on Wed. Oct. 30, 2019 at 6:45 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Greco. Vote:

Councilman Paliotti voting aye

Councilwoman Greco voting aye

Councilman Brady voting aye

Councilman D'Amato voting aye

Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Again this year, the Town Court is eligible for grant money from the State. After a brief discussion, Councilman Brady moved the Town of Lyons authorizes the Lyons Town Court to apply for a Justice Court Assistance Program Grant (JCAP) in the 2019-20 grant cycle.

Motion seconded by Councilwoman Greco. Vote:

Councilman Brady voting aye

Councilwoman Greco voting aye

Councilman Paliotti voting aye

Councilman D'Amato voting aye

Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Upon the recommendation of Code Enforcement Officer Richard Bogan, Councilman D'Amato moved to not allow DEAN Electrical Inspectors of Wester NY to perform the electrical inspection on a wind turbine on Schwab Rd. in Lyons and he not be approved to perform such inspection in the Town, yet the property owner produced an electrical inspection certificate, issued by Mr. Dean on Sept. 14, 2019. Motion seconded by Councilman Brady. Vote:

Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Councilman Paliotti then moved to approve payment of General Fund vouchers #513 through #561 totaling \$ 78,279.41
Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Councilman Paliotti then moved to approve payment of Highway Fund vouchers #167 through # 181 Totaling \$14,548.88
Motion seconded by Councilman Brady. Vote:

Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting yae
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

Town Clerk Colatarci then read a letter of resignation from Mr. Robert Milliman indicating he would be stepping down from his position on the Town's Zoning Board of Appeals effective this date. Councilman Brady moved to accept the resignation. Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

At 7:45p.m., Councilman Brady moved to go into executive session, asking Atty. Villani to remain to discuss a pending litigation matter. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Greco. Vote:

Councilman Brady voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

At 8:30 p.m., Councilman D'Amato moved to come out of executive session. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Greco. Vote:

Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilwoman Greco voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye

Councilman Brady voting aye
Supervisor Emmel voting aye

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

Sal J. Colatarci

Lyons Town Clerk