

March 27, 2013

The Town Board of the Town of Lyons met for a regular monthly meeting on Wed. March 27, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Board meeting room.

Present: Brian Manktelow, Supervisor
Dan LaGasse, Councilman
John Paliotti, Councilman
Ralph D'Amato, Councilman
Phil DeSain, Councilman
Sal Colatarci, Town Clerk
Jake Emmel, Supt. of Highways

Also Present: Michele Villani, atty., Jim Wedman, David Manktelow, Brittney DeCola, Reah Hayes

Absent:

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

All stand for Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Paliotti moved to accept the minutes from the Feb. 27, 2013 meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye
Councilman LaGasse abstaining (absent from Feb. Meeting)
Councilman DeSain abstaining (absent from Feb. meeting)

Department reports were heard. Ambulance Administrator Paul Fera reported that the department responded to a total of 116 calls during the month of Feb. Of those, 66 were ALS responses.

Highway Supt. Jake Emmel reported the Town will be getting an increase in total CHIPS money for the upcoming year, possibly as much as 20 percent. Also, he has ordered another 250 tons of road salt to be delivered in the near future and the Town will be sweeping Old Lyons Road/Fink Road before Route 31 closes on April 1.

Councilman D'Amato moved to allow Highway Supt. Jake Emmel to attend Highway training school in Ithaca on June 3-5. Motion seconded by Councilman Paliotti. Vote:

Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

The matter of the MET tower being removed was discussed further. Councilman LaGasse moved to authorize the Town Highway Dept. to take down the tower without professional help. Motion seconded by Councilman DeSain. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

Councilman LaGasse moved to approve payment of General vouchers # 103 through #143
Totaling \$59,128.30
And Highway vouchers # 45 through #64 totaling \$28,206.79.
Motion seconded by Councilman Paliotti. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye

Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

Councilman Paliotti then moved:

the Town of Lyons is interested in pursuing NYSERDA Solar PV grant funding via a NYSERDA approved installer for controlling and reducing their future energy costs. Energy costs are of concern to the community and this grant program allows the Municipalities to control the cost via local production and provide significant long term economic benefit.

The Town hereby authorizes Larsen Engineers to conduct necessary engineering work for preparing a request for Proposal (RFP) from prospective Solar PV developer/ installers, under an appropriate NYSERDA program. Larsen will undertake this work at no upfront cost to the Town and their compensation would be part of the project cost paid by the Developer/ installer.

Motion seconded by Councilman D'Amato. Vote:

Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

The Town still must identify a suitable site with electric metered service to install the system, such as the Galen/Lyons Landfill location.

Supervisor Manktelow announced that there will be an open competitive exam for the position of Code Enforcement Officer on June 1.

Supervisor Manktelow then moved to appoint Jim Wedman to the Town's Assessment Board of Review to fill the vacancy created by the untimely death of Tony Stirpe, who passed away earlier this week. Motion seconded by Councilman Paliotti. Vote:

Supervisor Manktelow voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye

Whereas the increased amount has been budgeted and upon the recommendation of Assessor Nancy Collins, Councilman LaGasse moved that each member of the Assessment Board of Review be paid a flat fee of \$100.00 per day of service, rather than the current hourly rate now being paid to each member. Ms. Collins provided documentation showing that most Towns in Wayne County pay the flat dollar fee and rather than a per hour rate. Motion seconded by Councilman DeSain. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

Supervisor Manktelow explained that the Landfill committee recently discussed the possibility of obtaining a variance from the current monitoring schedule at the Landfill to cut down of annual costs of monitoring. To assemble the data and submit it to the DEC for approval, the cost to both Lyons and Galen would be about \$6,000.00 (Lyons share 56% or about \$3,360.00) Supervisor Manktelow asked the Board for a resolution approving the one-time cost to obtain the variance. After discussion, Councilman Paliotti moved to approve the approximate \$3,360.00 to go ahead with the variance request. Motion seconded by Councilman DeSain. Vote:

Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

Supervisor Manktelow explained that the variance, if approved would save the Towns of Lyons and Galen over \$2,200.00 per year in costs.

Supervisor Manktelow announced that Assemblyman Bob Oaks will be at the Lyons Town Hall to hold a meeting with constituents on April 2, 2013 at 6 p.m. Anyone is welcome to discuss any topic with Hon. Oaks.

At 7:40 p.m. Councilman LaGasse then moved to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Motion seconded by Councilman Paliotti. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

Councilman DeSain moved to come out of executive session at 8:20 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilman Paliotti. Vote:

Councilman DeSain voting aye
Councilman Paliotti voting aye
Councilman D'Amato voting aye
Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Supervisor Manktelow voting aye

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Sal J. Colatarci
Lyons Town Clerk