December 23, 2024

The Town Board of the Town of Lyons met for a meeting on December 23, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Present: Jim Brady, Supervisor

George Dobbins, Councilman

Dan LaGasse, Councilman

Ryan Robbins, Councilman

Amy Shaffer, Town Clerk

Absent: Dan DeWolf, Councilman

Also Present: Sam Toner, Kevin Meehan, Crystal Manktelow, Nancy Ramos, Evonne Pomerantz, Richie Stokes Jr, John Cinelli, Mike Bouwens, Tony Villani

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.

Councilman Dobbins asked if all Board members had received his revisions to the November 26th Board Meeting Minutes. Town Clerk Shaffer indicated that she made the suggested changes minus a couple due to various reasons. She reminded the Board members that the meeting minutes are in fact the Town Clerk’s minutes and that they need to be made available to the public within two weeks.

Councilman Dobbins moved to accept the amended minutes of the November 26, 2024, meeting. Councilman Robbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman LaGasse moved to approve payment vouchers from 11/26/24 through 12/20/24 totaling $736,686.11. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

The Board reviewed modifications of the new zoning districts that the Town Planning Board recommended. The Planning Board recommended changing the word yards to setbacks and there were 2 changes to the Schedule of Uses.

Councilman LaGasse moved to accept the recommended changes. Councilman Robbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

The Town Board completed SEQR II and SEQR III (Full Environmental Assessment Forms) A Negative Declaration was declared. Moved by Councilman Robbins and seconded by Supervisor Brady. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman Robbins moved to authorize Supervisor Brady to sign the SEQR part III. Councilman LaGasse seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman Robbins moved to adopt Local Law 1 of 2025 – Lyons Zoning Map and Regulations Amendments. Councilman LaGasse seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman LaGasse moved to appoint Samuel Toner as Highway Superintendent from 1/1/2025 – 12/31/2025. Councilman Robbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

Currently full-time union workers that do not take the Town’s health plan benefit receive a stipend at the end of the year. Councilman Robbins moved to provide the same stipend to full-time non-union members. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

This year’s Organizational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8th at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall.

Department reports were reviewed by the Town Board. Public inspection of said reports is available at the Town Hall upon request.

Now that the Zoning project is completed, Councilman LaGasse indicated that there are a couple of items that he would like to work on. One item is a design guide to be completed for District 3 like the one that In-Site Design completed for District 4. He also indicated that he would like to get quotes for landscaping for Taylor Park, the triangle lot area across from the Elementary School on Route 14 and barriers for the Leach Road Bridge area.

The Board agreed to get a jump start with these projects as there are funds in the 2025 budget for parks.

As there was no further business, at 6:53 PM, Councilman Robbins moved to adjourn. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman LaGasse voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye

Supervisor Brady voting aye

Amy L. Shaffer

Lyons Town Clerk