

**TOWN OF LODI**  
Board Meeting Minutes  
August 9, 2012

Present: Supervisor E. Lee Davidson, Councilwoman Winifred Jones, Councilman Lucas Latini, Councilwoman Noël Clawson, Highway Superintendent Len Carlsen and Town Clerk Nancy Jones.

Absent: Councilman Chance Van Cleef

Supervisor Davidson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

COUNCILWOMAN CLAWSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN JONES, to accept the night's agenda as presented. Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Latini and Councilwoman Clawson all voting Aye.

COUNCILWOMAN CLAWSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN JONES, that the minutes of July 12, 2012 be approved as presented. Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Latini and Councilwoman Clawson all voting Aye.

AMENDMENT TO THE  
TOWN OF LODI HIGHWAY "DB" FUND

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-08-02

**WHEREAS**, There is not a sufficient amount of budgeted appropriations in Highway Fund Budget to meet obligations of the Fund for the year 2012 and

**WHEREAS**, in conformity with Town Law and good bookkeeping practices, accounts should not be over appropriated, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to make the transfers from unencumbered balances to offset any shortages in appropriations

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| DEBIT: DB-960 Appropriations                    | \$32,000.00 |
| Debit: DB-5112.400                              | \$32,000.00 |
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| CREDIT: DB- 960 Appropriations                  | \$32,000.00 |
| Credit: DB-5110.420 General Repairs, Town Roads | \$32,000.00 |

Moved: Councilwoman Clawson  
Seconded: Councilwoman Jones

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| Councilwoman Jones   | Aye |
| Councilman Latini    | Aye |
| Councilwoman Clawson | Aye |

Dated: August 9, 2012

Nancy Jones, Town Clerk

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR 2012-2013  
JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT**  
RESOLUTION NO.: 2012-8-01

**WHEREAS**, the Lodi Town Court is in need of items beyond the means of the 2012-2013 budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the purchase of such items would put a financial strain on the taxpayers of the Town of Lodi, and

**WHEREAS**, The Lodi Town Court has the opportunity to apply for the 2012-2013 Justice Court Assistance Program Grant to obtain such items,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Lodi Town Board hereby authorizes the Lodi Town Court Justice to apply for the 2012-2013 Justice Court Assistance Program Grant requesting up to the maximum amount available to obtain needed items.

Moved: Councilwoman Clawson

Seconded: Councilman Latini

Councilwoman Jones                      Aye

Councilman Latini                         Aye

Councilwoman Clawson                 Aye

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**Highway Report:**

Len Carlsen reports that they have been working on the 2 miles on Parmenter-Butcher Hill Road. In the next few weeks they will do a fog seal on it. They finished the project on the Lower Lake Road Spur, also known as Eagle Ridge. He brought pictures to show. He thanked the guys for doing a nice job.

Lee Davidson personally thanked the highway department for such a professional looking job on the Eagle Ridge Project and was very impressed that they did this work in-house.

Highway Superintendent Len Carlsen also thanked his R.S.M.S. intern from the Cornell Local Roads Program for an outstanding job implementing the Road Surface Management System for the highway Department to use and feels it was well worth having him this summer.

**Committee 1:**

No library report was submitted. Councilwoman Jones reminded us we would soon be starting the budget meetings.

**Committee 2:**

Cemetery Superintendent Walter Bub brought the estimates he received in regards to replacing the cemetery mower. There are enough funds in the cemetery account to make a purchase. The board felt Martin's Estimate on the Grasshopper Z was the best and all attachments can be used with this mower.

COUNCILWOMAN CLAWSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN JONES, to allow Cemetery Superintendent Walter Bud to purchase the Grasshopper Z from Martin's Outdoor Power Equipment. Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Latini and Councilwoman Clawson all voting Aye.

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At this point in the meeting, a report was given by Anthony Fiorille, Highway Intern from Cornell Local Roads Program. He thanked the Town Of Lodi for allowing him the opportunity to intern in our town, which he enjoyed. He was also thankful for the summer employment. The Report is entitled Road Surface Management System Report, (R.S.M.S.). The R.S.M.S. report is an engineering approach that offers suggestions and recommendations to improve the roads. Intern

Fiorille measured all roads and calculated that Lodi has 13.98 miles of surface treated roads, and 29.39 miles of unpaved roads. The amount of roads the Town of Lodi is responsible for is 43.37 miles. Each road was inventoried by sectioning each one off in mile long increments. Road conditions were looked at. The condition data was based on the surface condition of the roads. The roads were assessed based on "severity" and "extent". Severity of the road refers to current condition of the road. Extent refers to the frequency of the inferior condition. Inadequate drainage, potholes, and rutting were the key concern on unpaved roads whereas cracking was the main concern of surface treated roads. Once the condition data was assessed, it was placed into the R.S.M.S. program. The program takes in all the data and produces a report. This report includes many beneficial aspects, such as the road repairs necessary for the roads. In addition, it includes a PCI value and priority value. The PCI value is a number from 1 to 100 that gives an indication as to where the road stands. The higher the PCI, the better the surface condition of the road. The roads were also given a priority value. The higher the number, the higher the priority to fix the road. The R.S.M.S. Program is able to store the road inventory data and condition data, and generate a schedule for road maintenance and repair. Intern Fiorille's Report Packet containing the R.S.M.S. suggestions, recommendations, and surveys of each road is available for viewing in the Town Clerk's office.

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Committee 3:  
No Report

Committee 4:  
No Report

Committee 5:  
No Report

Committee 6:  
No Report

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COUNCILWOMAN JONES MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN CLAWSON, to approve payment of general fund claims #20120340 to #20120360 in the amount of \$4,212.12 and also to approve payment of highway fund claims #20120362 to #20120374 in the amount of \$20,815.00. Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Latini and Councilwoman Clawson all voting Aye.

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Supervisor Davison and Councilwoman Jones attended a public meeting in The Town of Junius regarding puppy mills. Of the people attending the meeting roughly half were for and half were against puppy mills. However, only one person actually from Seneca County spoke against puppy mills. The Town of Junius decided to do nothing about the puppy mills at this time but will continue to monitor the issue and see if the state makes a recommendation. Supervisor Davidson doesn't feel the Town of Lodi should do anything until we have someone who wants to say something about puppy mills. He asked if the board or the audience had anything to say. Supervisor Davidson also stated he feels we should hold off on a moratorium on hydrofracking as well.

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Supervisor Davidson discussed that the Highway Department's 2006 Volvo truck. It is showing signs of rust and needs to have the frame and box sand blasted and re-painted. He felt it might not be a bad idea to think about it since the truck is 6 years old. Highway Superintendent Carlsen has an estimate of \$6,461.00. He suggested we look at it as an investment and preventive maintenance rather than an expense since a new truck could run as high as \$200,000 or more.

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Lynne Rosbaugh, Chairperson of the Lodi Planning Board brought a chart detailing the results of the Town of Lodi Survey. Each board member was given a copy. Supervisor Davidson said we will look at it at the next board meeting. Councilman Latini mentioned it looks like they did a nice job and put some nice work into it.

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SUPERVISOR DAVISON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LATINI that the Town Board, Attorney Michael Mirras, Highway Superintendent and Town Clerk enter into executive session at 7:55 PM to discuss a personnel matter. Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Latini and Councilwoman Clawson all voting Aye.

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COUNCILWOMAN CLAWSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN JONES, that the board comes out of executive session at 8:38 PM. Councilwoman Jones, Councilman Latini and Councilwoman Clawson all voting Aye.

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Budget Workshops were planned for August 30<sup>th</sup>, September 5<sup>th</sup>, September 6<sup>th</sup> and September 10<sup>th</sup>. Town Clerk Nancy Jones will notify the public through the official newspaper, The Ovid Gazette, and will place notices at Lodi Library and Lodi Post Office.

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HEARING NO FURTHER BUSINESS COUNCILWOMAN JONES MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN CLAWSON, to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Jones, Lodi Town Clerk  
Dated: August 9, 2012