

TOWN OF LODI
Board Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2014

Present: Councilman Chance Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne Supervisor E. Lee Davidson, Councilman Brad Jennings, Highway Superintendent Rick Jacot and Town Clerk Nancy Jones.

Absent: Councilman Lucas Latini

Supervisor Davidson called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

COUNCILMAN VAN CLEEF MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MAC CHEYNE to accept the night's agenda as corrected. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

SUPERVISOR DAVIDSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED COUNCILMAN MAC CHEYNE to accept the meeting minutes for February 13, 2014 as presented. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

Councilman Jennings and Attorney Mirras read the library report.

Highway Superintendent Rick Jacot informed the board they have plowed some snow, hauled stone and done maintenance on the vehicles. He had the three dump trucks rust proofed and councilman Mac Cheyne was there to watch this process. Rick has decided on which Knox Box to order and will give the form to Town Clerk Jones to voucher and send in with payment. Rick has also received an estimate from the Alarm Tech Co. for \$3967.00. He has heard there have been a lot of break-ins at Town Barns. The insurance Company recommended the town barns have cameras. This security system will be similar to the one at the Town Hall. A town resident asked, out of curiosity, if the insurance company would provide a discount if the cameras are installed. Supervisor Davidson will look into the security camera issue with David Dempsey and bring more information to the board next month.

A discussion ensued on whether or not to change the health savings benefits to be paid in one or two payments rather than four times a year. Some medications are so expensive that at times the employees are having to come up with additional monies out of pocket due to deductibles and the issue that the quarterly health savings benefit payments are not enough to cover the whole cost of the medications. This has been tabled until next month.

Supervisor Davidson discussed with Joe Ike some changes that need to be made on the Agricultural Advisory Committee. Joe informed the board that David Jones, Sr. has resigned from the committee. Joe would like to add John Wagner as a new member. He is going to ask Dan Van Vleet if he would like to be the co-chair on the committee. Joe would like Councilman Jennings to replace Councilwoman Winnie Jones has the liaison from the town board. Town Clerk Jones will ask David Jones, Sr. for a letter of resignation and next month the town board will vote on the appointment of the new member, the new liaison and the new co-chair.

Justice Van Cleef submitted his February 2014 Court Activity Report. COUNCILMAN JENNINGS MADE MOTION, SECONDED COUNCILMAN VAN CLEEF to accept the Justice Court Report for February 2014. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

Supervisor Davidson made mention that at the bottom of the Justice Activity Report it says that the 2013 Court Financial Records are available for review. He will assign two board members to audit these records and

inform the board who it will be next month. Justice Van Cleef asked that they make an appointment with him to go over the records.

Town Clerk Jones reported on her monthly report for February 2014 in which she received a total of \$310.00. All monies received were disbursed in the following way:

Paid To Supervisor for General Fund	\$265.00
Paid To NYS DEC For DECALS	\$.00
Paid To Ag. & Markets For Dog Licenses	\$45.00
Paid To NYS Health Dept. For Marriage Licenses	\$.00
	\$310.00

Town Clerk Jones reported on the status of the tax collecting that she has 283 taxes that remain unpaid and she has sent out reminder letters as required by law.

COUNCILMAN VAN CLEEF MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MAC CHEYNE to accept the town clerk report for the month February 2014. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

COUNCILMAN JENNINGS MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN VAN CLEEF to approve payment of general fund claims #31-46 in the amount of \$29,921.33, payment of highway fund claims #10-19 in the amount of \$13,094.41 and payment of trust & agency claims #3-6 in the amount of \$6,641.89. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

Town Clerk brought to the attention of the Town Board that the Court Clerk's salary is wrong by \$100.00 in the budget. The court clerk was given a raise of 3% on \$9,984.00 therefore her current salary should be \$10,284.00. However in the budget it is listed as \$10,184.00, a hundred dollars less, which could have just been a typo. SUPERVISOR DAVIDSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN JENNINGS to amend line item A110.120 in the budget to reflect the correct salary of \$10,284.00. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

Dog Control Officer Aaron Covert has resigned from this position. His wife, Cindy Ferris Covert would like to take over the position and appoint Aaron as her deputy. Cindy is the Town of Ovid Dog Control Officer, therefore having experience. SUPERVISOR DAVIDSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN VAN CLEEF to accept Aaron Covert's resignation and appoint Cindy Ferris Covert and the new Town of Lodi Dog Control Officer with Aaron as her deputy. Councilman Van Cleef, Councilman Mac Cheyne, Supervisor Davidson, and Councilman Jennings all voting Aye.

HEARING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, SUPERVISOR DAVIDSON MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN MAC CHEYNE to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Jones, Lodi Town Clerk
Dated: March 13, 2014