

FIRST: RECORDING OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING. 2021

ZOOM GATHERING; NY STATE PAUSE- COVID-19. ISOLATION/ SOCIAL DISTANCE ORDER.

On this 7th day of January, 2021. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart called the meeting to direct order at 7:04 P.M. leading all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America, followed by a moment of silence for our service men and women.

OFFICIAL ROLL CALL: Roll call taken by Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh and is as stated.

Those in presences during this first meeting of the year 2021 is as follows, Supervisor, Kyle Barnhart, Deputy Supervisor Lucas Latini, Councilman Paul Batman, Councilman Trevor Sibley and Councilman Seth Thomas. Along with, Association of Clerical, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this said meeting.

Those absent during this first recording.

In representation of Attorney at law; Mr. Frank Fisher.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart addresses those in attendance, giving opportunity to be heard in front of the board.

- Jim covert: addresses the board with the upcoming bicentennial of the Town of Lodi

AGENDA ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA: Supervisor Barnhart makes a motion to accept the agenda, Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. Hearing no comment, all members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES: (THE MONTH PREVIOUS TO THE CURRENT) and to PUBLISH: Motion in the first by: Councilman Seth Thomas, Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. Hearing no comments; all members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BILL(S): Acquired in the previous month(s).

Motion in the First by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Deputy Supervisor Councilman Lucas Latini. Hearing no comments. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

HIGHWAY REPORT—SUPERINTENDENT MR. RICK JACOT.

*Plowed and salted

*Med fill Dean Road

*put gradeall and grader back together.

*serviced EGT

*built hang over on the town hall

*new ram on the 500 plow

*picked up milling head

Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Trevor Sibley. Hearing no comments. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT(S).**

TOWN CLERKS, REGESTOR OF VITAL STATISTICE, AND TAX COLLECTION REPORT- CONNIE ROSBAUGH:

TOWN CLERK: Monies remitted from Judge Van Cleef, \$2897.00 in fines, fees and reimbursement

Remitting monies to the Town Supervisor Kyle Barnhart, in purpose to be added to the General Fund of the Town of Lodi. \$275.00 Monies on Clerk Fees, Monies remitted to the Dept. of AGS & MARKET \$12.00. In the amount of \$0.00 to the department of health.

REGESTOR OF VITAL STATISTICE: 1 birth, 2 death, 1 marriage.

TAX COLLECTION: 4th-the 7th, 2021, \$102,765.82.

Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

LIBRARY REPORT: presented by Councilman Paul Batman.

Library is still using restricted hours for the health and safety of all.

Mask and personal perfective equipment are still a requirement.

Summarizing the report provided. (Please see the full upcoming dates and activities online at the libraries website). **Website:** lodilibrary.net **Phone:** 1 (607) 582-6218. **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/lodilibrary>

Staff: Beth Bevars, Director: director@lodilibrary.net- Nora Snyder, Youth &Children's Programming Coordinator: youth@lodilibrary.net

COMMITTEE: Considering executive orders.

Ag & Environment- Chair: Councilman Seth Thomas.

Econ. Dev., Planning & tourism – Chair: Councilman Paul Batman.

Gov't Ops & Criminal Justice – Chair: Councilman Paul Batman. Presentation of the model to represent the new town hall.

Finance- Chair: Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman Lucas Latini

Federal Affairs- Chair: Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman Lucas Latini.

Public Works and Highway – Chair: Councilman Trevor Sibley.

New Building Committee- Seth Thomas:

County Board reports & Town Supervisor remarks: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart.

The County Board having meant the first week of January: we have elected a chairman of the board and have made our annual appointments we have re-elected Bob Hisen: Town supervisor of Varick as chairperson of the board. No other business was conducted that night.

Adding one more thing that I am working on at the County, the Upper Lake Bridge that was put in last year/two year. We were subject to a certain percentage of a match talking with the County manager and finance director, we should be getting some of that money back. We put in somewhere around 10 thousand to the County/State for our match and I think that we will be getting around 75% of that back somewhere. They believe that the former director of Public works had done the calculation incorrectly, and also the project had come in under what they had budgeted. We do not know how soon, but I will keep you updated.

OLD BUSINESS: Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman Lucas Latini: I was in discussion with David Ahouse sr. he is on the Town Planning Board and is interested in joining in on the New Building Committee, being a support or help in any way that he may be able to do so. Not only representing the Town as a Town resident but also as a planning board member. His recommendation is that it would be great to have someone from the planning board be on the committee with Carol and them. He has volunteered his services, in the back ground of both commercial and residential constructions.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart, uses his authority to appoint individuals at self-discussions to committees and has as of this date of January 7th, 2021 appointed David Ahouse Sr. to the committee known as New Building Committee.

Further: D.S.C- L.L. - further planning would be to involve the highway department on their ability to add to the services. As a cost saving avenue, volunteering himself and his leach field experiences to the project.

NEW BUSINESS: Assessor Anne Morgan joins the meeting.

- Anne has sent a waver to the Supervisor for the tax exemption, Supervisor Kyle Barnhart make a motion to presents the resolution: waving the previsions of the New York State, Real property tax law 459-c7, 459-c8, 467-5,467-6. Pursuant to executive order #202.83. Motion in the second by Councilman Sibley. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.
- Resolution to address open: Anne Morgan- December 21 we were made aware of this need for a resolution on a local level. On December 28th the Governor singed another order that makes it mandatory that what we're doing will become redundant. My advice is to go forward with the resolution, it covers you on the local level and we seriously have no choice. What this resolution does is that, every year our senior citizens 65 and over, primary residents with low income. Come to see us to renew that application for exemption. This waver rolls us back to 2020, and do not have to go in person, we use the same brackets of exemption as the previous year. Unless the individual feels that they have had extreme changes, dropped incomes and further. If that is the case, we are taking appointments one person at a time.

Questions: read by Town Clerk, Richard C. –the senior exception. Is it for towns and school? Or just property.

- A. The base is dependent on the income level. The town and County use the same limits of 22,499, at the upper level and if you are in that bracket you do receive a 0. It's based on a sliding scale and that is the point of the appointment based application. Is to determine all avenues to be taken. (MAKING DIRECT POINT THAT THIS IS NOT STAR). STAR is safe and sound in Albany, this is a local resolution.

A RESOLUTION WAIVING THE PROVISIONS OF s/s 459-c (7), 459-c (8), 467(5) and 467 (6) OF THE TAX LAW PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 202.83.

Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

FURTHER: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart addresses David Hairick, along with highway Superintendent Rick and our F.E.M.A. consultant's. Introducing a proposal of engineer's service amendments. Two have been presented the second amendment covers everything that is in the first amendment, and Mr. Hairick is requesting an adjusted agreement amount for \$149,750.00 the work is in connection to the Town of Lodi damage sights from the 2018 flood.

Supervisor makes a Motion to introduce the resolution. Motion in the second by Councilman Paul Batman.

Inviting in Ryan Frykholm from F.E.M.A. - Explains the detailed idea of the changes. The initial base amount was for an entry level. Allowing both parties to adjust and familiarizes to the process, billing and overall.

Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman L.L. Request that an investigation be done on the exact payouts to T.G. Miller according to budget lines and billing. To establish what we have spent and what we would spend. I do not think that anything is out of order but to see it so we all have that visually to approve it, for transparency, also the other thing is on top of the cost what does our reimbursement schedule look like. From F.E.M.A.

Supervisor Barnhart reiterated Deputy Supervisor's intentions as: offering an amendment to approve this this resolution to increase, depending on a spending and receiving of payment report, by project.

There is a motion on the floor from Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman Lucas Latini to accept this resolution pending on spending and receiving report by project. From T.G. Miller.

Motion in the first by Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Lucas Latini. Motion in the second by; Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board **IN FAVOR OF THE AMENDMENT AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

No further discussion on the **MOTION AS AMENDED**: all those in favor of accepting the amendment (1) and (2) from T.G. Miller to increase the not to exceed amount to \$149,750.00 pending a spending and receiving report from T.G. Miller. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Moving forward.

INSURANCE PROPOSAL: Adding cyber protection to the policy.

Motion by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart to add a cyber-insurance protection part to our current insurance policy. Motion in the second by Councilman Paul Batman to discuss the adding of cyber-protection.

Service agent recommends that there is a small but possible level of exposure and recommends that the increase of coverage be accepted.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart with discussion I think that I support the added coverage. Serving agent adds that he will email Supervisor with the documents to fill out.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart makes a motion to table this until, information is shared with himself and fellow board members. All members of the board IN FAVOR OF TABLING THIS RESOLUTION. IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.

Next order of business: EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS CHANGES: Councilman Trevor Sibley. – introduces the employee hand book as amended.

RESOLUTION 2021-02; EMPLOYEE BENEFITS.

Motion in the first by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Paul Batman, to open the subject to discussion. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.

Amendment being made on the Resolution known as 2021-2.

Remove line bulleted as #1.

Motion in the first to amend Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board IN FAVOR OF THE AMENDMENT AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.

Here no further comments: those in favor of resolution with amendments. IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: RESOLUTION WITH AMENDMENTS CARRIED.

Councilman Seth Thomas introduces a Resolution for planning board direction.

Forman RESOLUTION asking the Planning Board committee to commit to coming up with viable options for the two properties, the vacant lot and the current town hall location. So that when we do move locations that we have a plan in action. Requesting that the planning board come up with a minimum of three options at least, and if there is to be any demolition and or construction that they get estimates in the cost.

Resolution: where the future of the Town Hall building the former masonic temple needs to be considered and addressed. Whereas the future of the vacant plot of land owned by the Town of Lodi at the corner of West Church and North Washington street in the Village of Lodi, needs to be considered and addressed. Whereas the Town of Lodi intends to use, convert for use or sell the property. No there for it be resolved that the Town of Lodi board, request a report of recommendations with three proposed actions, or uses for the property listed above. From the Lodi planning board. If demolition and or construction is an option the planning board shall provide estimates of those cost. This report will be presented publicly in front of the Lodi Town Board no later than May 13th 2021.

Motion in the first by: Councilman Seth Thomas. Motion in the second by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. To open for discussion. All those in favor of the resolution and VOTING AYE: MOTION TO ADOPT CARRIED.

Resolution 2021-3. Adopted.

ORGANIZATION RESOLUTIONS:

- Rules of Procedure-Resolution 2021-4. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Paul Batman. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Deputy Appointments- resolution 2021-5. Appointing Lucas Latini as Deputy Supervisor and Chad Parson as Deputy Highway superintendent. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Councilman Seth Thomas. L.L. holding his vote. All other members of the board in favor and VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Registrar of vital statistics- Resolution 2021-6. Appointing Connie Rosbaugh. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Deputy Supervisor Lucas Latini/ All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Cemetery Superintendent- Resolution 2021-7. Appointing Walter Bud. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Deputy Supervisor Lucas Latini. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Bookkeeper- Resolution 2021-8. Appointing Nancy Swartwood. Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Dog control- resolution 2021-9. Appointing Jamie Vangalio. Motion in the First by; Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Deputy Supervisor Lucas Latini. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Financial Institutions- Resolution 2021-10. Five Star Bank and Community Bank N.A. Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Councilman Paul Batman. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Financial audit- Resolution 2021-11. Appointing Lee Walter CPA to preform said audits. Motion the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Pay Rates- Resolution 2021-12. Adopting rates. Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Councilman Paul Batman. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED. – Amendment added. Seasonal Hourly pay rates to be \$13.50 per hour. Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Councilman Paul Batman. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: Motion Carried.
- Official Media- Resolution 2021-13. The Ovid Gazette as official with permission to post in the ad cycle of the Seneca County Shopper. Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Deputy Supervisor Lucas Latini. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.
- Mileage Rate- Resolution 2021-14. Rate established at 0.58 cents. Motion in the First by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by; Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE; MOTION CARRIED.

- Attorney- Resolution 2021-15. Resolving that Attorney of the Town be Miday, Mirras and Ricci, LLP. Motion in the first b Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Paul Batman. All member of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

Motion made by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart to cancel the 01/14/2021 meeting as said meeting has been held tonight. Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman Lucas Latini. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED.**

ANNOUNCEMENT OF/ THE NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD BY THE BOARD.

Next meeting to date: 02/11/2021 at 7:00 p.m. VIRTUALLY.

ADJOURN: Motion in the First by: Councilman Paul Batman. Motion in the second by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: ADJOURNED AT 9:12P.M.**

By the order of the Lodi Town Board.

Respectfully submitted. Hon. Town Clerk, Connie Rosbaugh.