

**THIRD: RECORDING OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.**

**ZOOM GATHERING: NY STATE COVID SOCIAL DISTANCE ORDER**

On this 11th day of December 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: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart, Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Lucas Latini, Councilman Paul Batman, Councilman Trevor Sibley and Councilman Seth Thomas. along with, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this said meeting.

In representation of Attorney at law; Frank Fisher

**AGENDA ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:**

**ADDED TO THE ADGENDA: Supervisor Barnhart, adding a resolution asking our town attorneys to move forward in preparing for the abandonment of Ames road and cats elbow.**

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:** Motion made by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second made by Councilman Paul Batman. 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)- with Edits**

Motion made by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second made by Councilman Paul Batman. Hearing comments on the change/ correction of A&E report. 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 made Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by, Councilman Paul Batman. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

**GUEST SPEAKRS:** No speaker during this 3<sup>rd</sup> recording.

**HIGHWAY REPORT—SUPERINTENDENT MR. RICK JACOT.**

\*Plowed and salted

\*Repaired 5500

\*Hauled ROC

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\*Repaired 06

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

**TOWN CLERKS REPORT- CONNIE ROSBAUGH:** Town Clerk: Remitting monies to the Town Supervisor Kyle Barnhart, in purpose to be added to the General Funds of the Town of Lodi. \$102.00 & 82.00 Monies on Clerk Fees, monies remitted to the Dept. of AGS & MARKETS \$ 12.00 . Monies to the department of Health in the amount of \$ 0.00.

Monies remitted from Judge Van Cleef- in fines, fees and etc... \$2448.00

Tax collection: having paid the Town Supervisor the full apportionments of the towns portions of the tax value; I am currently collection the value to be remitted to Seneca County. 2 payments having been made to the County as of this date.

Register of Vital Statistics. One marriage license permitted.

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

**LIBRARY REPORT: READ BY COUNCILMAN PAUL BATMAN.**

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/lodilibrary>.

Staff: Beth Bevars, Director : [director@lodilibrary.net](mailto:director@lodilibrary.net)- Nora Snyder, Youth & Children's Programming coordinator: youth@lodilibrary.net.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Ag, environments, & infrastructure (Thomas/Batman)**

\*Seneca County Dept. of planning and community development. Letter from the County Board of Supervisors it is in regard to them receiving request of land owners who want to put their agriculture land into an agricultural district. Most farm land in Seneca County is already in a district, if you have land that has been put back into production. You may want to add a request to be put into a existing district. In order to do that you can paper or email copies to request the form. @ [hhaynes@co.seneca.ny.us](mailto:hhaynes@co.seneca.ny.us) phone #607-539-1723.

\* Seneca County water conservation district. They are doing their tree and shrub sale. You can print the order form off their website. The deadline for the sale is Friday April 9<sup>th</sup>.

\* attended a webinar on solar farms. Getting information on a potential solar farm that may be going in Lodi. The webinar is presented by another c community where solar Farms Had been put in. it's a big deal currently with NYS push to go heavy on the solar farms. Suggesting that maybe the planning committee could shed some focus on the solar farms.

**Econ. Dev., Planning, & Tourism (Batman/ Thomas)**

**Building Committee(Thomas/Batman)**

\*The State Supreme Court, has signed off on the sale of the New Building. That leaves us with one last hurdle and that is to finalize the sale. Otherwise we need to negotiate the lease between the Town and the Food pantry. Once that is done the church will sign off on their end as we hold up the agreement that we had made on the sale.

**Finance& Federal Affairs (Latini/Sibley)**

**Gov't Ops & Criminal Justice (Sibley/Latini)**

**Water Committee (Barnhart/ Huff)**

**Supervisor remarks & County Board Report.**

There is not too much Lodi related news coming out of the County lately.

We do have the county sale of the 58-acre parcel of land on Keady Road moving along. Five bids were made on the property. From here, the bids will go to the county Public Works committee for vetting and then on to the full Board of Supervisors for a vote to award the property. I am not sure on the timeline, but an approval of bid by the full board could come as soon as the next Board of Supervisors meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

In other news there are a few of us continuing a push to have better geographical representation on some of the decisions- making boards across the county. Led by Chairman bob Hayssen from Varick, we've been able to place a few South County people in key places. Bruce Murray, who owns Boundary Breaks Vineyard in Lodi is the Chairman in the chamber of Commerce Boada for 2021 and he will also serve on the South County Industrial Development Agency Board. We have another IDA candidate from the South end in Ovid that we hope to appoint at our next meeting, so in just happy to report that we'll have a few more voices going forward that we hopefully keeping our interest in mind down here.

Lastly, I've been working on a grant program to be handled on the County level that works from the 10% of the room tax money that the county retains (the other 90% of the money goes to the Chamber of Commerce to promote tourism in the County. We have passed the grant program that allows municipalities, non-profit, and individuals to apply for grants to assist in attracting visitors to Seneca County and to enhance the overall local tourism industry. These grants can be used for community celebrations, arts 7 Culture, promotion & marketing the county tourism appeal is great, I'm really proud to be able to get some of that money from the County going back into creative projects in local municipalities. Please spread the word about the program and I am happy to share more details if you would like them, I think it would be particular great if we could get some more nice art projects around town, like the murals in the front of the Village hall.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Councilman Trevor Sibley: Stipend of retirement: establish a fund now so when we get to the time of an individual's retirement that the monies are already availed.

Councilman Lucas Latin: suggest that the Town does go forward with this type of reserved fund and suggest that small portions be added for an ongoing point of time. That way the Town isn't facing a huge bill of the time of individual retirement.

Councilman Paul Batman: agrees with Luke establishment be made as soon as can be and that the small portions be added.

Supervisor Barnhart agrees and is willing to revisit that during our next budget hearing.

Councilman Trevor Sibley: box culvert replacement: a 60-day job starting after Labor day.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Appoint Donna Mott to Board of assessment Review: 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.**
- Appointing R, Mark Brown as Town Historian. 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.**
- Budget modification: Bridge Reserve Transfer & Bridge Appropriations. 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.**
- Discussion: Property tax exemptions for seniors and Disabled.
- Resolution: abandonment of Ames Road and Cats Elbow: Directing the towns attorney to move forward in the proper process of abandonment of the two roads.
- Motion to open for discussion. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the Second by: Councilman Seth Thomas. Recommendation of F. Fisher is to seek out qualifications on 205.1 or 205.2, paragraph 1 of 205

**Public Comments:** David Ahouse: Solar Farms.

**Announcements:** the next board meeting will be held on: 04/08/2021 @ 7pm (online via zoom)

**ADJOURNMENT- TIME:** 8:05 P.M. 12/30/2019.

Motion made by Councilman Seth Thomas. Motion in the 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Trevor Sibley.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

By the order of the Lodi Town Board.

Respectfully submitted, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh.