

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

On this 8th day of July 2021. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart called the meeting to direct order at 7:02 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 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:**

**PRESENTERS/PETITIONERS:** Ian Smith; Seneca Watershed Steward.

Authorizing Expression of support for the road drainage assessment and improvement project grant sponsored by the town of Fayette.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Noel Clawson, Town of Lodi Planning Board Member, request to be heard.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:** Motion made by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second made by Councilman Seth Thomas. 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)-**

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

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

\*Hauled ROC \*Mowed ditch lines and road edges\* cut limbs @ cemetery \* paved South Miller \* patched areas of Christfield. \* trimmed trees on South Miller \* Changed Air Canister on the 06 \* Hyd – Line on the 012 \* Stoned Half Traphagen.

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. \$224.00. in Clerk Fees, monies. Remitted to the Dept. of AGS & MARKETS \$ 17.00. Remitted to the department of Health in the amount of \$ 00.00

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

**Tax collection:** tax collection portion of the year 2021 is finalized.

**Register of Vital Statistics:** One Registration of birth

One Registration of Death

**Permits Official:** 2 parking permits issued to those individuals who are disabled or ill by ailments.

**Building and offices:**

**Record archive:** current agenda is to start the process of local laws, resolutions and frequently asked question to the town web-site. The goal date is to start this process on the 12<sup>th</sup> of July and work forward.

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

**LIBRARY REPORT: READ BY Karel Titus : please see attached document for full report.**

**WE ARE OPEN:**

- No appointment necessary- walk right in!
- Mask are still required
- Chrome Books available for checkout
- Print/scan/Copy/ Fax available- 15 cents/page.

**Hours of operation:** Tuesday 10-4; Wednesday 1-7; Thursday 10-4; Friday 1-7; Saturday 10-2; Closed Sunday/ Monday.

**Spring and Summer programming:**

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

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Ag, environments, & infrastructure (Thomas).

Econ. Dev., Planning, & Tourism (Batman).

Building Committee(Thomas/Batman)

Having meant with the architect, we are currently addressing storage issues of the new hall.

Finance& Federal Affairs (Latini/Sibley)

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

Water Committee (Barnhart/ Huff)

Supervisor remarks & County Board Report.

- Document attached

OLD BUSINESS: Planning Board Appointment

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 WITH-OUT COMMENT.**

NEW BUSINESS:

\*Resolution to engage services of attorney Alan Pierce for lawsuit appeal.

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 WITH-OUT COMMENT.**

\*Resolution to Appoint Climate Smart Community Coordinator and Task Force.

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 WITH-OUT COMMENT.**

\*Resolution to support road drainage assessment and improvement project.

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 WITH-OUT COMMENT.**

\*Resolution to engage with bond counsel:

Resolution Tabled until further meeting. Motion in the first to table by: Councilman Trevor Sibley.

Motion in the second by Deputy Supervisor Lucas Latini. All members of the board voting, motion to table carried. Comments of motion. Supervisor Barnhart request that his team be prepared to make an action vote during the next meeting of August.

\*Resolution to retain counsel in the matter of Rosbaugh vs. the town of Lodi.

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.**

**Public Comments:**

**Andrew Alexander:** request compensation for damages done to fence by the Town of Lodi Highway Dept. during snow removal.

2512 Covert Road. Requested that a snow fence from the Town be used to prevent further issues.

**Announcements:** the next board meeting will be held on: 08/12/2021 @ 7pm in person at the location of the Lodi, Town Hall. 8440 N. Main Street, Lodi, N.Y. 14860.

- Lodi resident Bob Romick can help homeowners with home weatherization. He is available to help people identify the generous state and federal incentives and grants.

**Executive session: 7:58 pm.**

Motion in the first by: Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by Councilman Lucas Latini.

All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITH-OUT COMMENT.**

**ADJOURNMENT- TIME:** 8:40 P.M. Motion made by Councilman Lucas Latini. 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.

**Lodi Whittier Library Report**  
**July 8, 2021**

Website: lodilibrary.net Phone: 607-582-6218 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/lodilibrary/>

Staff: Beth Bevars, Director: [director@lodilibrary.net](mailto:director@lodilibrary.net)

Nora Snyder, Youth & Program Coordinator: [youth@lodilibrary.net](mailto:youth@lodilibrary.net)

### **Current Services**

#### **Hours of Operation**

Tuesday 10-4; Wednesday 1-7; Thursday 10-4; Friday 1-7; Saturday 10-2; Closed Sunday/Monday

- Chrome Books available for checkout
- Print/Scan/Copy/Fax available – 15 cents/page for B+W; 25 cents/page for Color

### **Summer Programming**

#### **Summer Reading Program for all ages has begun!**

##### **Children's Programming: Tails & Tales!**

- Weekly to-go pack with Toy, Snack & Book: We are now accepting wait-list registrations.

##### **Teen Programming**

- Idea Squad: Teen Advisory Council clothing up-cycling workshops with Jesse Beardslee are in the works. Contact us if your teen is interested!

##### **Adult Programming**

- Norma Luther will hold 4 more painting classes this summer:
  - July 24<sup>th</sup>: Chicks Spice Rack: registration begins 7/13
  - August 7<sup>th</sup>: Seashell Box: registration begins 7/27
  - August 21<sup>st</sup>: Halloween Gnome: registration begins 8/10
  - September 11<sup>th</sup>: Cheerful Snowman: registration begins 8/31
- Call for Submissions: **Tails & Tales: poetry, prose & photography:**  
Bring us your animal pics, stories and verse! All submissions will be featured on our library's website culminating in an open mic and exhibition event at the end of the summer.

##### **All ages (All events are free and don't require registration.)**

- Cayuga Nature Center & their Animal Ambassadors: every Tuesday through the end of Aug
- Haudenosaunee Smoke Dancing & Lacrosse Stick Making demonstrations: Sat July 10<sup>th</sup> 11-1
- Arabic Calligraphy & Foodways demonstrations: Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:30
- Sound & Vision Events presents *The Wolfman* (1941) movie under the stars with subtitles and music created live by Tom Bruce & Rob Snyder.  
Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at dark. (8:30) with **SPECIAL GUEST: Puttin' on the Mitts Dessert Truck!**

**Tyke Tales Storytime** (Every Thursday at Noon)

- July 15<sup>th</sup>: Storytime with Live Music! Carol Mikado will bring her guitar
- August 5<sup>th</sup>: Cabin View Alpacas!

**Wednesday Writers' Support Zoom meet-up**

- Every Wednesday 6-7pm. All writers welcome no matter your experience or writing type. Check the website for our frequent special guests.

**Community Book Box**

- Located just outside the Lodi Post Office, this satellite "library" offers FREE books available whenever you need one! Sponsored by STEPS and the Lodi Library, these books are yours to keep!

**Circle of Friends Book Club**

- This book club meets outside the library on a monthly basis. Contact us for details!

**We are accepting book donations in anticipation of a Fall Book Sale Trail**

- In partnership with the other 4 Seneca County Libraries, we will be co-hosting a Book Sale Trail on **September 18th**. We welcome your gently used donations!

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*Funding for **Tyke Tales Storytime** is generously provided by a grant from the **Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund of the Community Foundation.***

*Funding for the **2021 Summer Reading Program** is generously provided by grants from: **The Town of Lodi, Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund of the Community Foundation; Seneca County Youth Bureau** and funds from the **Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature and administered by Auburn Public Theater's Finger Lakes Community Arts Grants Program.***

## County Board Report and Supervisor's Remarks for July 2021

This is another of those months where our town meeting on the second Thursday of the month happens before the county meeting on the second Tuesday of the month, so I don't have a substantial update for you today. I do want to touch on a couple of relevant topics though.

I sit on the Environmental Committee on the county board and we are developing a county-wide septic inspection program that is a significant departure from the regulations in place. The current proposal is for routine septic inspections for lake properties every five years as well as a property transfer inspection for any property with a septic system installed. We are in the very preliminary stages of developing this and the proposal is being driven by the Director of Environmental Health Scott King in conjunction with the chair of the Environmental Committee, Seneca Falls At-Large Supervisor Paul Kronenwetter. I've leaned on our town's deputy supervisor, Luke Latini, who has some education, experience, and certifications in the field of wastewater treatment and septic systems, and his expertise has helped me to push Scott King and Supervisor Kronenwetter toward a more comprehensive approach that truly addresses lake health. This program will effect all of us that are not on municipal septic systems, so I will be sure to keep you informed as we continue down the path. I believe the intent is to follow up the septic inspection program with a more comprehensive environmental approach for the Seneca and Cayuga Lake watersheds, so please stay tuned.

In other county board news, I volunteered to be part of the committee that would recommend how to spend approximately \$3.3 million in funds awarded to the county by the ARPA legislation, but was not selected to the committee. I wasn't selected because I have already been appointed as the chair of the special committee to study the sharing of county sales tax with towns and villages, and that special committee kicks off next week. It'll be an uphill climb to convince county board members to support the sharing of sales tax revenues, but I believe that such sharing could reinvigorate town and village budgets and allow us to address some of the areas of decline that we are seeing across the county.

Speaking of ARPA funds, the state has identified the final amount of our town award, which is about \$124,000. These funds have specific restrictions on how the town can spend it, but I believe I have identified an appropriate project to focus on. I'd like to propose using the ARPA funds to tear down this town hall building and convert the site to a green space.

The US Treasury Department issued a FAQ on June 24th and I want to read this particular section that grants us the authority to build a park with the funds:

<sup>I believe</sup>  
2.18. Would investments in improving outdoor spaces (e.g. parks) be an eligible use of funds as a response to the public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts? [6/23] There are multiple ways that investments in improving outdoor spaces could qualify as eligible uses; ~~several are highlighted below, though there may be other ways that a specific investment in outdoor spaces would meet eligible use criteria. First, in recognition of the disproportionately~~  
~~negative economic impacts on certain communities and populations, the Interim Final Rule~~  
~~identifies certain types of services that are eligible recipients, including: (a) earned con-~~  
~~tract (GSEI), to families and workers living in OCTs, or other those who are provided by~~  
~~tribal governments. Recipients may also provide these services to other populations,~~  
~~households, or geographic areas disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. AS OF JUNE~~  
~~2021~~ These programs and services include services designed to build stronger neighborhoods and communities and to address health disparities and the social determinants of health. The Interim Final Rule provides a non-exhaustive list of eligible services to respond to the needs of communities disproportionately impacted by the pandemic, and recipients may identify other uses of funds that do so, consistent with the Rule's framework. For example, investments in parks, public plazas, and other public outdoor recreation spaces may be responsive to the needs of disproportionately impacted communities by promoting healthier living environments and outdoor recreation and socialization to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

TO: Town of Lodi Board

Attn: Kyle Barnhart, Supervisor.

CC: Lucas Katini, Seth Thomas, Trevor Sibley

FROM: David C. Ahouse, Chair

Town of Lodi Planning Board

DATE: June 18, 2021

SUBJECT: Reply to letter from Kyle Barnhart, Town of Lodi Supervisor  
dated March 9, 2021

- Old Town Hall/Masonic Temple

The old Masonic Temple should be sold. The entity that buys it might be able to remove the top floors, put a roof on the basement and use it for storage.

Most of the Planning Board members would have preferred that investments in keeping the building in good condition had started many years ago.

If the old Masonic Temple does not sell, it should be torn down.

Perhaps Lodi could put a new post office on the lot.

- New Town Hall Future

We trust that the Lodi Town Board has made adequate provisions for Town Board meetings, court, office spaces, lavatories, storage, utility room, etc.

The Planning Board thinks we should get the present renovations paid for before incurring any more capital expansions.



- Town-owned Vacant Lot in Village

As the Planning Board does not know whether or not the land is contaminated, it is difficult to make many recommendations.

- Our first recommendation would be to deed it to the Village of Lodi so they could install solar panels and sell the electricity to residents. Any profits would be set aside for the purpose of pursuing a municipal water system should they choose to do so.
- If the land is contaminated, it might be encapsulated with blacktop. A basketball court, tennis court or other recreational activity could be installed. The Town would have to put up signs that it would not be liable for any injuries, etc.
- The land could be sold. It is an ideal location for a home.

- Need for Municipal Water Systems in the Town of Lodi

Members of the Planning Board feel that having municipal water is cost prohibitive. Even if grants were acquired for the initial installation; the system would be expensive to maintain.

We feel most residents in the Town of Lodi are not in favor of a municipal water system as evidenced by the public turnout for the November 10, 2020 Town Board meeting held in the Lodi Town Hall

- Update Comprehensive Plan

The Planning Board is working on updating the Comprehensive Plan.

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