

## **SECOND RECORDING OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.**

On this 9th day of February 2023. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart called the meeting to direct order at 7:00 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, Councilman Seth Thomas and Councilman Chance VanCleaf. Along with, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this said meeting. In representation of Attorney at law; Mike Mirras

Those absent: all seated

### **AGENDA ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:**

#### **PRESENTERS/PETITIONERS:**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Donna Mott, Lodi Station Road. Donna addresses the Town Board with her concerns of the inability to access her property on Old Mill Road, Donna states that another property owner has planted trees in the middle of the unused by public laneway. Donna owns property on the West side and can only access it by foot, see is seeking board information on her rights as a property owner.

Conclusion of the conversation, was decided that the laneway (road) known as Old Mill/ or Old Mill Street Cross Road, is a road ½ owned by the Village and ½ owned by the Town of Lodi. The Town will need further research time, to figure out the finer details of the situation. It has been recommended that Mrs. Mott seek council with her attorney, so that see has legal standing, to her ownership boundary lines.

Mrs. Donna Mott intends to attend the April Meeting of the Board for finding of the board and discovery.

Seeking use of the word.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA:** Supervisor Kyle Barnhart entertains a motion to accept the agenda. Motion in the first made by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Seth Thomas. 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)-**

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart entertains a motion to approve the minutes of the month previous. Motion in the First made by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleaf. 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).

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart entertains a motion to pay the bills. Motion in the First by, Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by, Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

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

Plowed and sanded, through-out the Town miles of Road. Rick reports that some of the roads are suffering and becoming mud filled as we are experiencing record warms. Repairs on the plow that broke during the last storm have been underway. Patch work of runner crush has been used to fill some of the deeper holes in the roads. The R.F.P on the Town of Lodi, culvert projects, has been released and will appear in the upcoming weeks newspaper.

Otherwise the guys have been working on; in barn projects and maintenance of the vehicles.

Continued FEMA culvert projects, and communications are at the top of the current agenda.

The idea to combined the projects as the RFP is released, is in consideration to the large project and capabilities.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart entertains a Motion to accept the Highway Report. Motion in the first by, Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by, Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOYING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMENTS.**

**TOWN CLERKS REPORT- CONNIE ROSBAUGH:**

Remitting to the Town Supervisor for the intension to be added to the General fund \$113.00, To animal population control, \$ 14.00, to the State of New York, the value of \$22.50, and an additional \$50.00, in clerk fees for the issue of 5 certified copies, remitted to the Town.

Tax Collection report to date.

As of today Feb 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Tax Collector Connie Rosbaugh reports that a total analysis of Collections, states that the value of \$1,598,918.72 has been collect and that the Town portion of those funds have been paid in full. Remitting \$526,810.00 to the Town of Lodi General fund, and the value of \$543,603.00, to the Town of Lodi, Highway Fund. Paying off the Towns whole proton of \$1,070,413.00.

Further communications of the Clerk. Charlie Wheeler of Hector, Randy Rapple of the Hector Highway department, JJ Hayward, along with Chad Havaland, and Beth and Zeek Wintermute. Adding to the record of minute.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart entertains a motion to accept the Clerks report. Motion in the first by, Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**COUNTY BOARD AND SUPERVISOR REMARKS.**

We are continuing forward, but I do not have a lot of new business to bring this month. The Committees assignment, under the new Chairman have been put on hold until a further understanding and agreement can be reached. Meanwhile I continue to work on shared sales tax, I wrote an opinion piece and published it in Finger Lakes Times. The message was meant for the North end of the County, in hopes that they can kind of push their supervisors to, vote, to share the sales tax, with the Towns and Villages. I have seen plenty of people who are in support of this, which is nice.

We have an upcoming finance meeting at the county, on Tuesday, and I find it interesting as this is the meeting that we ask the State to extend the 80% sales tax. Every county in the state takes 4% sales tax and each county is distributed 3%. Each county then can ask for anywhere between 1-3% more, most counties are only asking for 1%, leaving almost everyone at that 8%. Looking around we see that around us, several counties are above that 8%. At this finance committee meeting, I'm trying to find the money in the county budget so that they can share the sales tax. Although I will continue to work on this and negotiate our options.

The second thing that is in the works, is the relationship of the Ambulance Service. I have been contacted by our neighbor town, and was informed that the Ambulance has recently purchased a rental complex in the Town of Waterloo. For \$125,000.00, to rent it out to make money. They have gone into the business of being landlords. Of course the initial reaction was, who's money did they spend and who is living in it. The staff or common residents. The concern is that it appears that the Ambulance service is retracting their services to the South end of the county and is trying to put themselves in the availability of the North end, relying on the Hector and Valios to service us at this end of the county.

The concern being, that the tax dollars that we pay into the Ambulance Service, vs. the service received. We as the Board do need to continue to investigate, negotiate and report facts and findings. It was a profitable year for the Ambulance in 22 and further funds could have been received, put at the current point the Town is only prepared to pay out the original agreement established by the board, per the General fund.

#### **Ag, environments, & infrastructure.**

#### **Econ. Dev., Planning, & Tourism.**

#### **Building Committee**

#### **Finance& Federal Affairs**

#### **Gov't Ops & Criminal Justice**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**\*Issue RFP or CDBG- funded portion at the sight of the New Town Hall. (Barnhart)**

We have received word from the State Grant Office, Housing and Communities Renewal Office, that the Federal Government has done an audit. For the CBDG Funds, which is the grant that we received, to build the food pantry. Essentially the Federal Government is applying, more scrutiny over these specific funds.

So what we did was put the building out to bid as a whole project, and then we separated the schedule of value to the pantries area and submitted that to H.C.R. as our grant application.

Our grant manager, our architect, and the Communities Renewal, all thought that was fine. They issued to us, the reward and we moved forward. They have currently come back and said that the funds need to be separated. What we need to do at this point is put the separate food pantry, back out to bid.

Leaving a solid number for just the pantry.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart entertain a Motion to Move forward and release a Request for Bid, on the Food for All Pantry Project, in The Town of Lodi. Motion in the first by: Councilman Seth Thomas. Motion in the Second by: Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

**\*Discussion: Salt Barns, Lodi Highway Department. (Sibley)**

The Town of Lodi Highway Department underwent an inspection of our insurance holder, for the town.

During this inspection it was noticed by the inspector that the Canvas shed that is holding the Town supply of road salt is in need of specifically noted repairs.

The canvas is old and detreating, the floor was not up to the current standards. When the build was first erected, no concrete floor was poured. It is with-in the insurance company's recommendation that. The roof, and canvas material, be replaced. That the base floor of the structure be a concrete pour, with side walls of specific height. The Highway Superintended has begun, looking into the cost, expectation and overall project plan to correct the noted issue.

**\*Discussion: Bonding of Roads. (Latini)**

The National Forest is contracted with the National Wildlife Foundation. They intend on driving at least 90 truckloads at 40 and up to 80 thousand pound a piece over our dirt roads along Seneca Road, Ames Road, and Lodi Center Road. The Board has responded to the email, looking into the possibility of bonding roads, or how we can protect ourselves agents the damages.

Councilman Lucas Latini ads update that, he has been in direct contact and communications with a Hector Official. Luke is investigating the bond used by the town of Hector that established weight limits of the road, and is seeking out protection for Lodi. In addition to knowing the shared roads that we have in common that these limits may already be applied or have established limitations on. Further findings and update will be giving as provided.

**\*Discussion: Comprehensive Plan. (Barnhart)**

Showing 3 members of the planning Board here at this said meeting. Lynne Rosbaugh, Martha Moser and Debbie Cumings.

It is time that the Town of Lodi, redo the Comprehensive plan, there are two ways that we can go about this. The first being we can do is update the demographics, and putting in the lay of the land and doing the work ourselves. The second option is what most Town and Villages do and they comprehensively plan. The planning department at the County is willing to give us up to 5,000 dollars, to do so, along with the monies that we put into the budget this year. While speaking with our planning board we see that other communities really expand this process, the form a steering committee and present a number of public hearings. Its full engagement planning to benefit the communities that it stands in. over the period of the last few years, we have identified 3 significant issue that we need to address, but are not able to do so through our current plan.

Vote of plan forward:

Seth Thomas: progressive plan

Chance Van Cleef Progressive plan

Kyle Barnhart: Progressive plan

Trevor Sibley: start out smaller

Luke Latini: seeks an appropriate plan but ask for more information

Planning Board Members:

Lynne Rosbaugh: Progressive planning, but recommends that we keep the work and ideas local.

Martha Moser: Progressive plan

Debbie Cumings agrees with Luke and would like to see appropriate planning, but also would like more information.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS SECOND SESSION.**

None heard in second session

Executive session.

Supervisor Kyle Barnhart ask that the Board enter into executive session to discuss pending litigation of the Town.

Motion in the first by Supervisor Kyle Barnhart. Motion in the second by: Councilman Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARREIED WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

SESSION BEGINNING AT 8:10 P.M. 02/09/2023

SESSION ENDING AT 8:30 P.M. 02/09/2023.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Our next regular board meeting will be held on 02/09/2023. In person at the location of the Lodi Town Hall

**ADJOURNMENT- TIME:** 8:32 P.M. Motion made by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Luke Latini . 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.