

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

**\*Meeting minutes shall be; in brief in accordance to: (TOWN LAW, SUBSECTION 30(1)).**

**Unless otherwise stated by specific Councilperson, during session that; the topic of subject be directly added to the record.**

On this 12th day of June, 2024. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Luke Latini called the meeting to direct order at 7:15 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 woman.

**OFFICIAL ROLL CALL: Town Meeting 7:18**

Roll call taken by Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh and is as stated.

Those in attendance including, Supervisor Lucas Latini, Deputy Supervisor Trevor Sibley, Councilman James Utter, Highway Superintendent Rick Jacot, and Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this said meeting.

Absent from the roll: Attorney; M. Mirras, Councilman Dan Jacobson, and Councilman Chance Van Cleef.

**ADGENDA AS ADDRESSED:**

**ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE ADGENDA:**

**APPROVE MINUTES OF MONTH PREVIOUS.**

Motion in the first by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Jim Utter.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: CARRIED**

**APPROVE THE BILLS: Previous months.**

**HA fund: voucher 44-\$4,000.00**

**DA fund: voucher 47-55-\$9330.66**

**DB fund voucher 46-51- \$69.899.06**

**A fund voucher 106-134-\$20,628.53**

Motion in the first by: Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by: Deputy Supervisor Trevor Sibley.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: CARRIED**

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**PETITIONERS:** Elaine Peckham: request of the board to rescind resolution 2024-13. Mrs. Peckham speaks to the board on her and other residents concern with Seneca Meadows Landfill. She has provided Clerk Rosbaugh with a second petition containing 120 additional signatures. This petition will be filed along with the archived minutes of this meeting.

### **HIGHWAY REPORT: Superintendent Rick Jacot**

The highway team has been busy digging ditches, and grinding brush away from road ways. The purpose of this action is to improve the line of vision, and control over growth along the sides of the Road. Completing and starting the second cycle of mowing ditch lines as well. They have graded a few dirt back roads to improve the surface of the roadway. 2 residential driveway culvert pipes have been installed. Dust oil has been applied to 10 different residential roads.

An insurance claim on the damage, of a bridge ravine guardrail has been paid in full with the insurance company of the individual occupying the vehicle. They have remitted to the town a check in the value of 4,204.00 dollars. Silverline will be the company who repairs, as they are the one who had installed it initially.

Through our shared services program, the team hauled cold pave with Covert. A payment from FEMA/Division of Homeland Security. Has come through. PC codes will be used to match this funding with the project intended.

Conversation on a mini split being added to the highway barn, improving energy efficiency and devices.

A 3 quote comparison will be used to consider the install of the unit.

Further conversation on pumping of the sewer pit at the New Building. It has been suggesting to purchase a self-running float pump. The goal is to keep the area free of retained water, for health and safety reasons.

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

### **TOWN CLERK REPORT: Connie Rosbaugh:**

Clerk Rosbaugh gives update of continued work from the Towns Highway Department offices. Although we have adjusted well to the changes, further adjustment is still in process. I am currently working with the Department of Agricultural and Markets. A State of New York program facilitating animal control laws and regulations. We as a town uphold these laws on a local level. The department and I are coming up with a way to register new and or renew your K9 licenses, directly through the mail. Much like we did during our very successful tax season. The goal is to provide you with a convenient service while giving respect to the effort of providing you all with a safe location of public office.

**REGISTER OF VITAL STATISTICS:** Continued birth, death and marriage license. Accessibility permits also.

### **TAX COLLECTION: Connie Rosbaugh**

The tax roll has been returned to the County for final audit.

Further conversation is had on the resignation of Dog Control Officer, Jamie Vangolio. Her final day will be June 30<sup>th</sup>,2024. Two interested parties has sought out this multi community position. It will be the responsibility of the Town Supervisors to appoint this position.

Motion in the first by: Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Deputy Supervisor Trevor Sibley.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: CARRIED**

**COUNCILMAN PROJECT UPDATES:** none heard

**PLANNING BOARD REPORTS:** none heard

**SUPERVISOR AND COUNTY BOARD REPORTS:**

Supervisor gives comment on the County Manager, being placed on paid leave. Luke makes mention as it will be a significant change at the County level. Otherwise no new update is available.

**OLD BUSINESS-**

**\*SIGHT DRAINAGE.** – Sibley.

Trevor gives update that the sight drainage and grading project will be placed on hold until the sewer septic system has been completed and has passed inspection. We are at a sensitive time with the building project and it's in the best interest of the Town that we do not cross projects and cause further issue. Councilman Jim Utter, and Supervisor Luke Latini agree that this is the best decision for the Town.

**\*CATS ELBOW UPDATE-Latini**

Luke gives update on the Cats Elbow Project, the required permits have passed through the Army Core, and the Department of Environmental Conservation. They are putting together at this point a statement to work from a design perspective. They will be finalizing the design details, that are outside of the print. These updates should be available for review in the next up-coming weeks. Provided by T.G. Miller, and then I will submit it to Homeland Security and FEMA. Hopefully we will be eligible for financial supports, with the justification of why the process has taken so long, were the requirements of the D.E.C.

**NEW BUILDING REMEDIATION:** Latini

We are still waiting on the forensic engineer report. We should receive a document for review within the upcoming few weeks. The report will then go to the established legal team, and they will be the ones who propose the bond structured for the project. Potential other litigant, such as the architect and project manager, may have some liability. It has been officially concluding that the plumbing under the building is not intact and will also need to be remediated.

**FEDERAL FOREST:** The Town had thought that we might have been on the path of receiving a \$5000-dollar reimbursement payment for gates purchased and installed, per an agreement between the two companies, Town and Forest. Several years ago, upon the abandonment of Ames Road. A single resident/ vacant property owner voiced their concern of the effects that a non-maintained road and public use would have, it was agreed that it would impact the resident and that with the financial support of further land owners the Federal forest the town proceeded with installing the gates. Several issues with the Forest budget lines, and an invoice with mowing and road side maintenance came into agreement. This was seen as an avenue of payment and proceeded, the forest requested documents on agreement that did not invoice the gates. Supervisor Latini found this to be an issue and did not agree with the action. He updates that he has been in contact with the administrator and proper persons of contact to try and straighten the issue out. That the document doesn't demonstrate transparency and is an item of fraud.

Supervisor also speaks on how he sees clear indifference to the support and relationship that the forest has with neighboring Towns, and how they do not give back to the Town of Lodi for 20% of our land that they do not pay any taxes on and the use of our roads for logging or whatever intensification the need.

Luke states that he will give further update as he works through this.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**\*NYS RETIREMENTS DOCUMENTATION/PROCESS:** during our state audit, we did find that the Town employees are eligible for NYS retirement. 4 links have been provided to the town to apply for the retirement program if an employee or elected official sees interest.

**\*PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Jeff Fry addresses the Board, and present a vehicle repair bill to the Clerk. Jeff speaks on the pot holes and general condition of Shaw Road, he states that the end of his driveway doesn't meet the road, and that he ask for resolution.

Clerk, speaks as Deputy Superintendent. Informing that Shaw Road was a Chips program funded project. A stipulation of accepting this money. The Town agrees that it will not refund the same project with-in the ten-year period. If the Town so chooses to go forward with funding it with-in the years gap... the Town is susceptible to refund the CHIPS money and no future funding will be provided. In addition to absorbing the full expense in an already tight Road budget to cover 44 miles of residential roads.

Carol Vorheis speaks to the board on the condition and appearance of the of the new building. She asked that it be mowed and that the flag be removed until occupancy is permitted. The board agrees and action of mowing and removing the flag will be completed.

**NYS GREEN ENERGY AWARD:** the town has been awarded through the Bronze Certificate and Green Energy a 45,000.00 award to be used towards energy efficiency and devises within the municipality. The idea of use will be to potentially use it to make the Highway Barn more efficient, otherwise we will try and apply it to the new building when we are able to do so.

**RESOLUTION: (0)**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Next regular board meeting date 07/10/2024. In person at the Lodi Fire Hall. 7:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT- TIME:** 8:46 P.M. Motion in the first by: Supervisor Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh.

