

NINTH: 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 11st day of September, 2024. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Luke Latini called the meeting to direct order at 7:05 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.

A moment of silence in honor of 9-11.

OFFICIAL ROLL CALL: Town Meeting 7:10

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

Those in attendance including, Supervisor Lucas Latini, Councilman Dan Jacobsen, Councilman James Utter, and Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this said meeting.

Absent from the roll: Attorney Mr. Mirras, Deputy Supervisor Trevor Sibley, Councilman Chance Van Cleef, and Highway Superintendent Rick Jacot.

ADGENDA AS ADDRESSED:

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE ADGENDA:

Adding South Seneca Ambulance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF MONTH PREVIOUS.

Motion in the first by: Councilman Dan Jacobsen. Motion in the second by Councilman Jim Utter.

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

APPROVE THE BILLS: Previous months.

DA fund: voucher 65-69 -\$426.04

DB fund voucher 70-75 - \$703.67

A fund voucher 155-181 -\$6594.09

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

PRESENTATIONS: South Seneca Ambulance gives a presentation on the requested 2025 budget.

PETITIONERS:

Mr. Morby Lower Lake Road, Jim addresses the board with concerns for the solar farm that is to be built along 414. He asks for the boards support to help protect local residents, farmland and home owners. He asks that laws are put into place protecting farmland of the finger lakes.

Karol Titus- Keady Road. Karol addresses the board and provides a public meeting law to the Board, Supervisor and Clerk. She shares her frustration of coming to a meeting that had been canceled under direct circumstances. She indicated that the lack of notice sign posted at the fire hall door was in violation of the public meeting law, and was an illegal act of the Board.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Superintendent Rick Jacot

Highway report giving by Deputy Superintendent, Connie Rosbaugh, (Ricks Vacation)

The team has had a busy month, they hauled six loads of sand prepping for winter, and 1Bs materials to mix with the sand. Roadside ditches have been cleaned, along with road side mowing on all 44 miles of road. The bridge on Dean Road was re barricaded (residents continue to push the barricades back and use the bridge, regardless of the measures put into place by the highway team. The county closed the bridge for structural damage). The 4 concrete berms were put back into place, and several loads of free reclaim was used to establish a barrier less easy to remove. (the stone used was from the lake dredge, free to have and use, but is not state inspected to use as a road repair material).

The shop drains were cleaned out and inspected, the floor waste collects into a drain that is stored and hauled out according to the DEC, and State regulations. The curve sign has been replaced on Porter Covert Road. The sewer pit at the new town hall was pumped 3 times, (around 50 time since the last closer). Discussion with the Superintendent and Supervisor of the Town, Luke agreed that at this time we are allowed to do so. The pit was around 11 feet deep and 15 or so feet in circumference. The pit continued to fill with water regardless of the highway teams several efforts over the course of a year.

The highway team and myself have several concerns for the health and safety of animals and children drowning in the deep mud water. Children have been spotted playing in the area, they are attracted to the multiple tadpoles and frogs that have set home there, they are throwing rocks into the water and are at huge risk of falling in the mud slopes. Sharing the concerns with Luke, he and the Highway Superintendent himself agree the highway team yet again pulled together and back filled the pit.

This is an attempt to keep our residents safe, but the overall sewer is still in disrepair.

Filler stone was hauled and laid for residents whose driveways didn't meet the depth of the road. The stone was used only in the highway right away, as we are not permitted to use town materials on personal driveways.

Brush and tree trim maintenance was completed along road ways, over hanging limbs cut and disposed of.

The team assisted two separate districts in accordance with our shared service agreement. The two assisted townships were Ovid, and Romulus.

TOWN CLERK REPORT: Connie Rosbaugh:

The Clerk gives simple report of services provided through the Town Clerks office. Documents such as certified certificates, birth and death certificates provided. Licenses, permits, and accessibility access, provided. Vouchers, payments and general documents of the town. the Clerk continues to work out of the Highway Barn.

REGESTER OF VITAL STATISTICS: Continued birth, death and marriage license. Accessibility permits also provided through the Highway Barn. (clerk's office systems)

Motion in the first by: Councilman Dan Jacobsen. Motion in the second by Deputy Supervisor Trevor Sibley. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: CARRIED**

COUNCILMAN PROJECT UPDATES:

PLANNING BOARD REPORTS: none heard

SUPERVISOR AND COUNTY BOARD REPORTS:

Luke Reports that they have passed a motion for the unified courts of Lodi- Ovid, and they have been permitted to be in session at the 3 Bears located in Ovid. Luke further reports that there was not a lot otherwise that pertains to Lodi. That it was a brief meeting in general.

OLD BUSINESS- CDBG grant status, Cats Elbow FEMA project, Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs), Hiring ACO

Supervisor Latini reports that we as a township have filled with the state, for an extension on the CDGB grant. Sadly, the extension wrote by Jay Grasso was not accepted and therefore, not approved.

Luke reports that the State asked him to rewrite the extension letter himself, and re- submit it. Luke drafted and forwarded a request for that extension. send his request and it was accepted.

Luke cautions that the CDBG grant is still not a secure grant. And the extension is not promise of receiving the funds.

Luke further reports that Owen and Dave Harriet from T.G. Miller (our F.E.M.A. engineer firm) finalized their design with a Syracuse firm. Ryan Frykholm has some concerns with cost, as its higher than the cost estimate from FEMA. The issue being, is that quote was giving a few years ago. We have had a few issue that has costed us time. The first issue was the idea to use the funds into the new building (Previous Supervisor), the second was the rejected plan from the DEC.

The DEC and Army Core would like to see the projects larger than originally projected., they requested a re-evaluation of the projects and re- submitted.

Barton and Lijoudis (Syracuse firm) currently have the blueprints at 90% done. They have been approved by the DEC and the Army Core. A biologist was involved and the proposal is again 90% approved. We should know more by October.

Harmful alga blooms in (HABS) Governor Hochul has allocated 42 million in partnership with DEC to try to combat the blooms. They are looking into agricultural runoff, and municipalities that have aged water treatment systems. The idea is to improve them, so that the nutrient isn't going into the lake.

NEW BUSINESS: - Annual Seneca County Hazardous Waste Drop Off, the 2025 budget planning.

September 28th they will hold the 24th annual hazardous waste drop off. To participate you must register by 09/25. A flyer has been provided for details. This accepted will be tires, oils, paints, pesticides and etc... including mercury and lead.

Budget Meeting planning. We as a township are getting ready to address the 2025 budget.

A public notice will be giving of the budget workshop, date, time, and location. Proposed dates to be.

September 26th, 2024 at 7:00 and October 9th, 2024 at 6:00, directly before the regular meeting of the Town. Both to be held at the Lodi Fire Hall.

RESOLUTION: (1) SENECA MEADOWS LANDFILL SUPPORT, STILL TABLED UNTIL NEXT SESSION.

Comments of the Supervisor: Luke reports that the New York State Website had posted an article that concerned many on a cancer cluster surrounding the landfill. Currently it was proven that those statistics had not been confirmed at the time of the article, and that website was asked to remove the article. They have a process they follow before publication. (they have a study, and peer review). They published the data without having the peer review.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next regular board meeting date 10/09/2024. In person at the Lodi Fire Hall. 7:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT- TIME: 8:15 P.M. Motion in the first by: Councilman Jim Utter. Motion in the second by Councilman Dan Jacobsen. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh.