

TOWN OF LLOYD TOWN BOARD

WORKSHOP MEETING

MARCH 2, 2022

Present: Supervisor David Plavchak
Councilmember Leonard Auchmoody
Councilmember Michael Guerriero
Councilmember John Fraino
*Councilmember Joe Mazzetti

Also present: Sean Murphy, Attorney
Wendy D. Rosinski, Town Clerk
Margaret O'Halloran, Secretary

Live in Town Hall, WebEx, streamed on Access Channel 22

4:00 PM – Supervisor opened meeting with Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Auchmoody, and a moment of silence for Robert Janso, Father of Police Chief James Janso, and for the citizens of Ukraine.

Public Hearings opened February 16, 2022

The Views Water District extension

The Villages Water District extension

Stewarts Water and Sewer District extension

Local Law A-2022 Adaptive Re-use Overlay District

Mark Reynolds, reporter, inquired if that extra amount of water would impact the system or if the system can handle it.
Supervisor confirmed that there's still capacity in the system for these.

Public Hearings left open, no public comments

1. REPORTS

Assessor – Ann Feo
Budget – Margaret O'Halloran

Building & Zoning Department – David Barton

Permits	Building Permits Issued	13
	Total CO & CC Issued	29
	SFD Permits/ -CO's Issued	0/1
	Permits in Water/Sewer District <small>(new)</small>	0
	Burning Permits	6
Inspections	Field inspections (Regular)	22
	Field Inspections (Final)- CC/CO	24
Fire	Fire Safety Inspections	38
Stormwater	Field/Yearly	0
Total Inspections	(Include-Field, Final, Fire, Stormwater)	84
Complaints	Complaints	10
	Complaints Resolved	6
	Order to Remedy issued/Resolved	2/0
	Stop Work Orders issued/Resolved	2/0
	Appearance Tickets/Resolved	0/0
	Unsafe Structures	0
Stormwater	Complaints/Resolved	0/0
C.O. & Violation Searches	Received/Completed	26/23

Fees Collected

Building Dept.	
Building Permit Fees (A2115)	\$3,080.50
Burn Permits (A2121)	\$30.00

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Public Assembly / Multiple Dwelling Fire Inspections (A2123)	\$2,290.00
Certificate of Occupancy & Violation Search (A2125)	\$3,900.00
Map Copies	\$10.00
Parking Fees	\$0.00
Building	\$9,310.50
Planning Board	\$0.00
ZBA	\$400.00
Recreation Fees	\$0.00
Grand Total	\$9,710.50

Barton reported that he has been working with the Supervisor, Fraino and Adam Litman, Water and Sewer Administrator, on mapping issues in the town. Litman's ready to start scanning maps and getting them digitized and updated.

Barton is taking ESRI training that supplies their software for GIS mapping after work. It's a free training and self-paced. It is using ARC GIS Pro which is an upgrade to the next level of desktop mapping they have.

Barton also disclosed that he will be replacing the plotter upstairs for it is on its last legs. It's about 14-years-old. The plotter is used for all the mapping, maps and schematics. When O'Halloran comes back on Monday, they are going to purchase a new one.

Supervisor added that it is critical that they map out things in the town, especially their important capital assets which include water valves, shut offs, some of the sewer distribution units. The water department has had six water breaks this year and part of the issue is finding valves to shut them off and getting them to work. A big part of this is having a technical person to go out and collect data and track it. Any good organization should really understand where its capital assets are, and he hopes to achieve that, and move the Town into the 21st century.

Barton is updating their fee schedule concerning fire inspections.

Dog Control – Andrew McKee

28 calls including 3 calls to service from the New York State Police and Ulster County Sheriff

3 active complaints and/or cases which are now closed or resolved

4 open cases or complaints

0 dogs impounded

0 appearance tickets

1 dog bite

Finance – Kendra Minard

Highway – Superintendent Richard Klotz

Klotz reported that they are patching pot holes.

His department has been assisting Litman on all the water breaks.

Supervisor added that for those that weren't aware, there is a grant for Highway that they received a few years ago for the salt shelter that they want to get moving on.

Recreation/Buildings & Grounds – Frank Alfonso

Alfonso reported that the open gym for Tuesday nights will run through March.

The ball field at Tony Williams is getting filled up with people using it during March and April, and through the end of May.

A tree came down by the pavilion at Berean Park. It will be removed by Baker Bros.

The Polar Plunge benefitting Alzheimer's will take place on March 12th at Berean Park.

They will get the park cleaned up.

Building and Grounds put a shed together. Stephen Delmar and Brandon Parker put 4 X 8 sheets of plywood on the floor of the old shed and are going to start moving boxes from the court into it.

Alfonso confirmed that he will give dates to Rosinski for Summer Fun and for the park openings.

Alfonso asked the Board if they can open Berean Park on the weekends to Labor Day.

Supervisor and the Board agreed to stay open on the weekends through Labor Day.

Alfonso stated that he will probably close Berean Park August 14th and only be open for the following three weekends. It will be Saturdays and Sundays only, then three days

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for Labor Day weekend, and then they will close it up. He will write the agreed upon schedule.

Alfonso also stated that he will have the name of the Summer Fun Directors at the next meeting to get them approved.

Alfonso had a meeting with Nicholas D'Aragona for the concession stand. D'Aragona mentioned having vending machines that will have water and soft drinks at Berean Park and Tony Williams Park and it will be his responsibility.

Murphy added that Alfonso should write it up with the vending machines as part of the concession.

Alfonso concluded by mentioning that the PBA Fishing Tournament for youth will be held on May 14th at Berean Park. They will be stocking the reservoir with fish.

Historian – Joan Kelley

The number of active Covid-19 cases in Ulster County continues to decline. At month's end there were 245 active cases (compared to 2256 on Jan. 31). The COVID related deaths rose from 361 to 370. 89.0% of those over 18 have had one vaccination; 73.8% have had a complete series. Mask mandates are gradually being lifted.

I received two queries:

- 1) Susan Myers requested information and photos of the Dean hotel. I found several newspaper articles for her, but not photos.
- 2) Phil Cohen requested information about Lionel Louis Grant, a Highland dentist who made violins. I routed the request to Vivian Wadlin, who, by coincidence, is writing an article on this gentleman.

Peter Camilleri, a SUNY graduate student, is researching the Penn Yang group and spent an hour here looking at the documentation in the Historians office. He plans more visits.

Rail Trail signage - no updates.

Matthew Kierstead requested a meeting to view the RR related objects. We'll meet as soon as his jury schedule is known.

Abraham Elting Cemetery (aka the Slave Cemetery)

- 1) Still waiting to preview Mark Reynold's article before it is published.

Research on the buildings in Franny Reese Park.

Continued work on the creation of an historical tour of the site.

I reviewed the draft proposal for the creation of an Adaptive Reuse Floating Zone and commented on the proposal at the public hearing.

The UC Historian mini-conference about the work of local historians is progressing slowly. I attended a meeting of the UC Historians and participated in the Feb. mini-conference.

I wrote an article on the 1891 fire that destroyed a large part of the Highland business district. The article was sent to the TOLHPS members and posted on their website.

I located some historical objects and photographs for use in the supervisor's office. I attended the February TOLHPS meeting.

Police – Chief James Janso

Town Clerk – Wendy Rosinski

Town Clerk

We have started selling the 2022-2023 Transfer Station Permits.

Tax Collector

We have satisfied the Town's portion of our tax warrant.

Records Management

Shred It event will be April 9th from 9 AM to Noon.

Supervisor – David Plavchak

Supervisor stated that he did get a letter today from the American Legion. They are looking to have their annual parade this year on Memorial Day, May 30th. They will be back to ask to close off certain streets. He will have to work that out with Chief Janso and get a resolution in place.

Water & Sewer – Adam Litman

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Water Department

1. As of 2/25/2022 reservoir water is making up 90% of daily production, and the wells are making up the remaining 10%.

2. Daily production time is varying between 10 & 12 Hrs. per day.

3. The department/crew has been keeping up with water production and plant upkeep throughout the winter season, this has been a difficult task. The number of water main breaks has caused a significant loss over the past several months.

The ground has stayed wet for a considerable amount of time, late summer, the fall season and through the winter. This, combined with the constant freeze and thaw, has played a major role in the amount of water main breaks.

Road Crew

1. Since September the crew has repaired over a dozen water main breaks and fixed several service leaks.

2. They have been servicing and repairing all the equipment and vehicles.

Sewer Department

1. Daily operations continue as usual.

2. Cleaning and maintenance.

Thank you

To all of our crews: Water, Sewer, the Road Crew and the employees from the Highway Department.

They have cross trained and assisted other departments, they worked around the clock on emergency repairs and operations. These employees have all worked together to assure our safety and keep our utilities operational. Thank you.

Adam Litman.

Recommendation

Recommending a price increase to the water & sewer rates of .50 cents. The last increase was approximately four years ago, 2017.

Please see the following (Establish water 2022)

2022 current rates are:

- **Water Usage Rate:** \$5.25 per 1000 gallons used, no minimum
- **Sewer Usage Rate (Non-Industrial):** \$45.00 for the first 10,000 gallons used \$4.50 per 1000 gallons used in excess of 10,000 gallons, 10,000 gallon minimum
- **Nonmetered User Rate:** \$6.25 per 1000 gallons used, no minimum

3-month billing period

Estimated consumption – 15'000 gallons.

Water = \$78.75

Sewer = \$67.50

Total = \$146.25

Proposal of new Water & Sewer rates with an increase of 0.50 cents

- **Water Usage Rate:** \$5.75 per 1000 gallons used, no minimum
- **Sewer Usage Rate (Non-Industrial):** \$50.00 for the first 10,000 gallons used \$5.00 per 1000 gallons used in excess of 10,000 gallons, 10,000 gallon minimum
- **Nonmetered User Rate:** \$6.75 per 1000 gallons used, no minimum

3-month billing period

Estimated consumption – 15'000 gallons.

Water = \$86.25

Sewer = \$75.00

Total = 161.25

Difference = \$15.00 Per 3-month billing period

***4:25 PM Mazzetti arrived**

2. OLD BUSINESS

Neil Curri -ECC

Curri passed around a map with a new trail that he is proposing. This trail will be located entirely on the town property that's on the north side of the access road going up to Illinois Mountain. It's a layout that he and Tim Klieger, from Fats in the Cats Mountain Bike Club, have walked a few times.

Curri has been in contact with Scenic Hudson and biologists from Bard College regarding the trail routing to avoid sensitive resources. He is trying to stay aware of and sensitive to the natural resources on Illinois Mountain, which he values very much, and knows it's importance to the Town and to the region. He is satisfied the trail route is good. Fats in the Cats trail building methods are designed specifically to reduce, limit and mitigate any kind of erosion or sedimentation issues from trail building.

Fats in the Cats would build the trail, and the ECC would work with them, and potentially Scenic Hudson, to maintain it in the future.

Fats in the Cats – Tim Klieger

Klieger stated the new trail is 2.6 miles.

The existing trails are on the east side of the utility road and this new one will be on the west side, and it's going to offer more variety. It will offer views of the Shawangunk's and Chodikee Lake, and it's up on the mountain with a nice elevation. The people will experience a nice view. There's some mountain laurel up there that isn't present on the other trails. It's just a nice variety up there. He expects it will be a beautiful trail. He has been walking it for about five years on his own. He thinks the public is really going to like it and it may be the best trail there. He expects it will be.

Klieger has been building trails for 22 years on public property, including DC properties.

Murphy stated that he has to draw up another agreement regarding the expansion of the trail. He has a template. Fats in the Cats builds and maintains the trail. He asked what Scenic Hudson's role will be.

Curri added that it depends on what they agree to in the future. In the past, the existing trails were partly on Town property and partly on Scenic Hudson property. They have always worked together on trail maintenance. With this trail being entirely on town property, they don't necessarily need to be involved.

Murphy stated if they have a role, they have to define it. He will pull a file agreement from a few years ago when he had a conversation with Klieger about some legal agreements for the Bicycle Club's maintenance. They will address the new agreement in two weeks for the go ahead.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. La Cucina Rosalie, Inc. On-Premises Alcoholic Beverage License: The Town of Lloyd waives its rights to the 30-day hold and consents to the processing and issuance of the aforesaid license.

Nobody had any concerns about it. Only because it's a new license. It's not a renewal. The board was okay with that.

B. IT Plan

Supervisor updated the Board on the IT plan. He hopes to have it in front of them by the March 16th meeting. He will get it out prior to the next meeting or prior to the workshop. He has been working with Mike Molinelli from Elevated Computing, and a couple other vendors to really try and get better service in the town hall for IT.

- Software licensing
- App upgrades
- Replace networking hardware
- Replace the 15 megabytes broadband service to a 500-megabyte broadband service that can be divided into sections – both private and public.
- Switch to IP voice over internet

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Angela Patrola, 6 Smith Terrace, stated that there's a sliver of the Town's property on her land that is a drainage ditch. Her land has been a swamp and needs to be able to push

water into that ditch, but the ditch needs to be trenched out and rocked properly. It’s full of leaves and sticks and trees that don’t belong. The two properties that are above her, that would be on the other side of Smith Terrace, their water flows right into her property so she knows that she has to put a ditch on top of her property but she has to feed it into the Town’s ditch.

She’s asking to have it cleaned out once a year in the Spring and for the town to fix it properly. The water needs to run from the top of the hill all the way down the easement. It doesn’t run all the way down. It runs about halfway down. It just sits there. There’s one completely dead tree. She will be working on getting it removed from her property. Before she spends the money to dig a ditch, the rest of the ditch - that’s on the Town’s property, needs to work efficiently first.

Supervisor stated that he wants to visually look at it with Fraino, to get a better feel for it. They will make sure their ditch is functioning properly the way it should be and he agrees with Mazzetti, they have to clean it out once a year. They would do that.

5. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

A. MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Fraino, to approve the Town Board Regular Meeting Minutes of January 19, 2022.

Five ayes carried

B. TABLED RESOLUTION to amend the Town of Lloyd Development Fee schedule by adding the following line items under section 7.15 with other fire safety fees remaining the same.

7.15 Fire Safety Inspections

Occupancy Code	Type	Fee
A2	Restaurants	100.00
A3	Church	No fee
B	Offices	100.00 up to 4 suites, \$25.00 each additional suite
E	Schools	100.00
I4	Daycare/Childcare	100.00
M	Stores/Gas Stations/Etc.	100.00

Supervisor stated that he will go into other towns to do a comparison against other town’s codes and see what they charge to confirm if they are in line or out of line in their rates to cover the Town’s costs. He will bring it back to the board and see whether they are way out of bounds or whether they are in line with other towns and then they will move forward at the next meeting with the resolution.

C. RESOLUTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti,
WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd (the “Town”) is proposing to make resiliency improvements and prepare for future weather-related emergencies, in the Town of Lloyd, Ulster County, New York (the “Project”); and
WHEREAS, the Town participated in the 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update prepared by Ulster County, New York; and
WHEREAS, the Town is actively seeking state and federal hazard mitigation grant funds to assist in the implementation of Town climate change resilience and weather emergency projects; and
WHEREAS, the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) announced the availability of Federal Emergency Management Administration funds through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HGMP), with applications due at 5 PM on June 1, 2022; and
WHEREAS, the Town intends to complete an application for grant funds to assist in meeting needs for emergency generators to protect the local water supply during weather emergencies; and to implement a program of undergrounding electric services to protect critical areas of the Town from storm damage to electrical utilities; and
WHEREAS, the Town understands that the HGMP requires 25% local matching funds; and
WHEREAS, on October 21, 2021 the Town Board authorized a contract for Grant Administration and Grant Writing Services with Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C. (B&L); and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby authorizes the supervisor to issue a task order to B&L to assist in the preparation of the HGMP at an estimated cost of \$5,000 under the October 21, 2021 agreement with the Town; and the Town Board commits to provide a 25% local match as required under the HGMP and authorizes the Supervisor of the Town of Lloyd to sign and submit an application on behalf of the Town to the NYS DHSES.

Supervisor explained that there's a grant available from FEMA for generators which he wants to go after for the water plant. There's another grant from Homeland Security which is for burying utility cables. The cost of burying utility cables is about a million dollars a mile. They have 0.45 miles. They will be requesting a grant somewhere in the \$400 to \$450,000 range. It will be slightly cheaper because they already have the sidewalks dug up. They are going to make their hazard mitigation plan as part of that and therefore will be eligible. Resolution C is to hire Barton & Loguidice who already worked on the streetscape plan. They understand the engineering of this and asked for this particular grant.

The Board is asking for three generators. Two generators and the utility lines buried. The resolution is to move through and start that work and they will be working with Barton & Loguidice to get this done.

Roll call: Fraino, aye; Plavchak, aye; Guerriero, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Mazzetti, aye
Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, to go into Executive Session with the Ethics Board at 5:10 PM.

MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, to come out of Executive Session at 5:25 PM.

MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Fraino, to adjourn at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski
Town Clerk

