

TOWN OF LLOYD
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 4, 2020

Present: Supervisor Frederick Pizzuto
Councilmember Leonard Auchmoody
Councilmember Michael Guerriero
Councilmember Mazzetti

Also present: Sean Murphy, Attorney
Wendy D. Rosinski, Town Clerk
Rob Stout, Attorney

Absent: Councilmember Claire Winslow

5:00 PM – Supervisor opened meeting with Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor said they are going to jump ahead on the agenda to the Villages of the Hudson Valley so they can make their presentation, then the board can go on with their agenda.

Finance – Supervisor reported that we are currently on schedule to start outsourcing payroll effective April 1 with Benetech. The next piece will be how the employees will clock in and out to make it more automated.

Assessor – Supervisor reported the March 1 deadline for exemptions have passed

Building & Zoning Department – David Barton

Barton reported January and February were busy, mostly small projects. Only one Recreation Fee was collected. Most of the revenue came from Building Permits. It has been a mild winter so contractors have been able to continue to work.

He and his inspectors responded to a grease fire in a single-family home. The Fire Department responded quickly and were able to knock down the fire. He declared the building uninhabitable. The only smoke detector in the house was melted off the wall in the kitchen. He reminded everyone that you must have smoke detectors in all bedrooms. If this fire had happened at night, with the speed at which it climbed the walls, no one would have survived. His department will come and install smoke detectors for anyone for FREE, no judgement, no questions. They have brand new smoke detectors from the American Red Cross, and are working with Re-building Dutchess who are going to supply them with carbon monoxide detectors.

Elaine Harney is in training for code enforcement; the first of seven required classes.

Mazzetti asked how fees for this year compare to last year's fees. Barton said the milder winter has allowed construction to continue throughout the winter, making the numbers good for this year. He will get back to Mazzetti with last year's numbers.

Barton mentioned that Scenic Hudson will be providing towns free GIS software for solar panels. Barton feels it's the best program of its kind, and is arranging a presentation to the board for April.

Mazzetti asked about the status of the new sound system. Barton and Pizzuto met two days ago about this. The budget does allow for a new system. Barton met with Scott McCarthy to look at the displays, one of the components of the system. He is also trying to get a grant for a part of the system.

Dog Control – Andrew McKee

Total number of Calls - 16

Police Calls (from Lloyd Police and Ulster County Sherriff) - 5

Open cases - 2

Stray Dogs Impounded and/or Seized - 0

Dogs redeemed - 0

Appearance Tickets issued - 0

0 dog in the kennel

1 Dog Bite reported this month. (There is no dangerous dog case related to this dog bite as the dog was protecting its property).

0 Dangerous Dog cases in progress.

***I would like to remind our residents not to leave your pets outside unattended when you are not home. There has been a higher than average number of rabid raccoons reported this year. Rabid raccoons in their final stages will approach your dog. ***

Highway – Superintendent Richard Klotz

The crew is out patching roads. They have also cut down trees along the rail trail. They will be starting the spring clean-up in a couple of weeks. The demo of the 2nd sweeper truck on the 19th has been cancelled, and will be rescheduled.

Mazzetti asked if the light winter saved enough money in his budget that could be used to help pay for new trucks.

Supervisor said Klotz has prepared a full inventory of what equipment they have, and what

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needs to be replaced. He has also set up a line of credit with M&T Bank. Mark Reynolds asked Klotz if the town can fill in potholes in the Biancardi parking lot. Klotz responded that that area in question does not belong to the town, but he'll send someone out there to take a look.

Police –Chief James Janso

CALLS FOR SERVICE----- 1275
ACCIDENTS-----26
TICKETS (PARKING/UTT' S) -----(10 parking)
(111 UTT'S)
ARRESTS----- 23
FOOT PATROL-----HAMLET (OFFICERJSGT) ----- Approx. 190 hrs.
SCHOOLS (OFFICERS/SGT)-----Approx. 7 hrs.
FOOT PATROL----- HAMLET (CHIEF)-----Approx. 2 hrs.
SCHOOLS (CHIEF)-----Approx 2 hrs.

Feb. 04th -Police Youth Rec League took place. Members played kickball and soccer with approx. 15 local kids from the community.

Feb. 08th -Alzheimer's Sub-Zero Hero event took place at Berean Park. Patrols assisted with foot and vehicular traffic.

Feb. 11th -Cops and Coffee took place at Vigneto's Cafe. It was well attended and several current event topics were discussed.

Feb.11th-In conjunction with the New York State Park Police, we were once again able to link up with their walkway video camera to our station to view and assist with security on the Walkway over the Hudson pedestrian bridge.

Feb.12th - Foot patrols were started at local business along the Rt. 9W corridor to step up enforcement on narcotics use at those locations. 140- foot patrols were conducted in these businesses since we started this detail.

Feb. 18th - In addition to the town's Employee Wellness Program, I have supplied each member a 20-page Employee and Families Wellness Guide written and approved by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. The guide includes topics such as talking to family members and children about the job, budget, credit, debt discipline, nutritional needs and healthy lifestyles, effects of sleep deprivation, injury reduction and suicide prevention as well as contact numbers for local resource assistance. It is very important that our officers also have the ability to get any help they may need.

Feb. 28- Started applying for traffic safety grants from the New York State Governors Traffic Safety Board which will supply funding dedicated for enforcement of certain vehicle and traffic laws.

-We have set up protocols and precautions for members of the dept. in the event they respond to calls or come into contact with subject(s) with flu-like symptoms or the like due to the rise in the corona virus. The station and each patrol car are equipped with face masks, hand sanitizer etc. An informational video is given to each member to view on the corona virus. We have been in communication with the Highland Fire Dept, Ulster County Health Dept. and Ulster County 911 and will continue to do so as we move forward.

- The Department has given written "cease and desist" notices of the public health law for the prohibited sales of vaping devices to minors to those businesses in the town that sell vaping devices, of which there are 8, after we received complaints of possible sales to minors. This will be followed up by enforcement if not adhered to.

Recreation/Buildings & Grounds – Frank Alfonso

Alfonso reported that both Tony Williams and Berean parks have been cleaned up. The ball field at Tony Williams has already been used for practice, and a formal softball practice was held at the other field. The basketball courts are being used, and the tennis courts at Tony Williams have the nets up.

He should have the programs for Summer Fun available in two weeks.

Town Clerk – Wendy Rosinski

Rosinski thanked Frank Alfonso for installing the power strip so the camera can be plugged in during meetings.

The Recreation Department is having a Senior Citizens St. Patrick's Day lunch on Tuesday, March 17th at the Presbyterian Church.

Tax Collection

- We have finished paying are warrant to the Town and the rest of the tax collection will go to the County.

Town Clerk

- Transfer Station permits went on sale on March 1st. The current permits expire on March 31st. 33 new permits have been issued to date.
Permits and bag punch cards are sold in the Town Clerks office and applications for

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permits and bag punch cards are available at the transfer station to be completed and given to the attendant with the appropriate fee. The envelopes are given to the Town Clerk's office and permits or bag card are mailed to the residents.

Water & Sewer – Adam Litman
Supervisor – Frederick Pizzuto

1. REPORTS

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Moratorium Waiver Michael Torsone Memorial Funeral Home

B. P We Holdings LLC

C. Village in the Hudson Valley

John Furst, Attorney for the Villages in the Hudson Valley, said they are amending their original request for waiver and asking to receive a waiver on the Assisted Living facility only. They would like to move forward on the Assisted Living facility and suspend review on the senior housing and medical offices pursuant to the moratorium. This will allow the applicant and the planning board to work together on design issues. Assisted living facilities are a permitted use in the zone. There are still numerous benefits to the town; tax ratables, full time jobs, construction jobs and high-quality medical supervision for the residents. His client is still going to put in a traffic light on Rt. 9 W at Mayer Dr. and proposing the widening of 9W. Even though there is no traffic impact with an assisted living facility they want to work with the town and have a positive impact. The intersection is currently a dangerous situation and they can help that by working with the town.

The financial hardship impact on them is still the same. Any further delay in the assisted living facility will price it out of the market. It will be a benefit to the health and welfare of the community and an assisted living facility has far less impact on traffic. As far as the comprehensive plan, assisted living facilities are permitted in the R1/2-acre zoning.

Mazzetti asked how many stories the new building would be.

Furst responded 2 stories, 35 feet high and they will work with the town.

Supervisor said they will leave the public hearing open.

Rob Stout, Attorney said they will need to alert the public to the change and notice the Public Hearing for the meeting on March 18.

Mazzetti asked how many rooms the facility would have.

Furst responded 135, which hasn't changed.

Mark Reynold asked when the board is making its decision is it allowed to take into consideration the economics, or is it strictly pertaining to planning board issues.

Stout responded the decision does not pertain to the planning board issues at all, it is the criteria laid out in the moratorium local law whether or not there is an undue hardship. When they talk about the economics it pertains to the hardship as laid out in the local law.

D. Coppola – Open Development

Town Board set Public Hearing for March 18th for the revised waiver request of the Village in the Hudson Valley.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Paul Cusa request for Moratorium Waiver

Town Board set Public Hearing for March 18th for Paul Cusa.

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

5. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

Motion made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti to adjourn at 5:40 PM.

Five ayes carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski
Town Clerk

