

TOWN OF LLOYD

TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 16, 2022

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

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

Meeting was in person at Town Hall, live streamed on Channel 22 and WebEx

7:00 PM –Supervisor opened meeting and Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Fraino.

Public Hearings opened February 16, 2022

The Views Water District extension

Stewarts Water and Sewer District extension

The Villages Water District extension

Local Law A-2022 Adaptive Re-use Overlay District

Supervisor reported the Water and Sewer District extension hearings will remain open until April 6, 2022 as they still need the development agreements.

Local Law-A, Adaptive Re-use will also remain open as the town has not received the comments from Ulster County Planning Board.

1. REPORTS – Town Board Liaisons

A. Town Board Liaisons

Audit – January 1 – June 30, 2022: Councilmembers Auchmoody and Mazzetti

July 1 - December 31, 2022: Councilmembers Fraino and Guerriero

Supervisor and Mazzetti discussed escrow account process.

Building Department – Supervisor

ECC (Environmental Conservation Committee – Councilmember Guerriero

They are going to be doing a study on the Twaffskill Creek.

They are applying for a Grant to clean up the vegetation over growth on Black Creek.

EDC (Economic Development Committee)- Supervisor

They are going to be updating materials on the Website; listing of businesses in Highland, the step you need to go through to start a business in Highland. They are putting a lot of information out there, basically “how to”. If the effort brings in one new business then it is successful.

A Wellness Center is opening at 24 Main St. and an Architect opened at 29 Main St.

Highland Fire District/ Ambulance – Councilmember Fraino

All active Fire Fighters completed their OSHA training on February 20th.

Then new pumper, 3112, was put into service. They found a buyer for the old engine.

They are getting the reports from Mobile Life. In February they responded to 153 calls, but 53 were no transport. That’s 34.6%. If there is no transport, there is no billing.

Average response time in February was 7 minutes 4 ½ seconds. For January it was 6 minutes and 52 seconds.

Discussion that the amount of calls has gone down, not just in Highland, due to Covid, people were not calling for an ambulance

Highland Central School District – Councilmember Mazzetti

Regents were cancelled in January, however, the 3rd through 8th grades the

ELA assessment starting Tuesday, March 9th. This is an important assessment

because it shows areas where we may be deficient and it also ranks our school and

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that helps our funding.

Highland High School is having a play called Freaky Friday on April 1st and 2nd.

The Middle School is pre-selling their year book on the website.

The School Board has two Board members whose positions are going to expire June 30th. If you know anyone who would like to run for school board, petitions are available in the High School main office M-F between 8-4. The petition must be signed to be on the ballot. The Annual Meeting is Tuesday, May 17th for nomination.

Highland Landing Park – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody is waiting for a 20-foot overseas container so they can clean out the building. They have sent all the requests for estimates. Will flush the water and sewer lined next week. They are going to do some planting. Hoping to get at least the bathrooms open by fall.

Supervisor added that they received the Scenic Hudson “Highland Landing” Conservation Easement Monitoring Report (he read the letter). They did not observe any conditions of concern and were pleased to see a significant reduction in litter compared to last year. They thanked us for our ongoing stewardship of the property.

Lights – Councilmember Fraino

He has spent a lot of time at Bridgeview. They now have a complete map of the existing lighting. GPI is preparing a package to replace all the lights one for one and possibly add four lights.

Guerriero asked if they have considered solar lighting.

Planning Board – Councilmember Auchmoody

Police – Supervisor

Chief is continuing on increasing his staffing.

Hudson Valley Rail Trail – Councilmember Auchmoody

Water and Sewer – Councilmember Auchmoody

Last meeting, they discussed all the water and sewer lines for Stewarts, the Views and the Villages.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Councilmember Guerriero

8 Merritt Ave. is applying for an area variance.

180 South St. area various was approved.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Town Field Pavilion;** Councilmember Fraino thanked Rich Klotz, Highway Superintendent for clearing out the stumps on the build site. They have 2 sets of plans for the pavilion they are looking at and Patty Brooks is working on a Survey Map.

3. NEW BUSINESS

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Robert Pardy, Tina Drive, expressed his disappointment in the Ambulance Contract.

ROBERT L. PARDY COMMENTS THE TOWN OF LLOYD BOARD 03/16/2022

1. I READ THE CURRENT MOBILE LIFE CONTRACT AND WAS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED THAT THE ONLYTHING THAT CHANGED WAS THE AMOUNT CHARGED INCREASED BY \$108,552 TO \$331,920. THE REST OF THE CONTRACT WAS BASICALLY VERBATIM TO THE PREVIOUS ONE APPROVED. SO MUCH FOR DUE DILIGENCE.
2. THE CONTRACT SPECIFIES THAT IF AVERAGE RESPONSE TIMES GO ABOVE THE REQUIRED LIMIT OF 9:59 MINUTES FOR THE MONTH THEN THE PENALTIES OUTLINED KICK IN. TRUST ME THEY WILL MAKE SURE THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN AS THE WAY IT IS WRITTEN NOW IT COULD ALMOST NEVER HAPPEN. WHAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN INCLUDED WAS THAT THE AVERAGE OF RESPONSE TIMES FOR THOSE EMERGENCY CALLS SHOULD NOT EXCEED A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF THE CALLS FOR THAT MONTH.
FOR EXAMPLE, BASED ON THE INFORMATION JUST GIVEN ME BY THE TOWN CLERK MOBILE LIFE'S AVERAGE PERCENTAGE OF CALLS EXCEEDING THE TIME LIMITS

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AVERAGE I CAME UP WITH OVER 8% + OF ALL CALLS EXCEEDED THE TIME LIMIT. HOWEVER, I WILL ADMIT I HAVE TO GO BACK OVER THE DATA AS I DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO SEPERATE ALPHA CALLS FROM PRIORITY DISPATCHES. I WILL FOLLOW UP AND HAVE THAT SENT TO MR. FRAINO AS HE SEEMS TO BE THE LEAD ON THIS FOR THE BOARD.

3. MY OPINION BASED ON EXPERIENCE DOING RISK MANAGEMENT REVIEWS OF AMBULANCE ENTITIES NATION WIDE FOR THE 2ND LARGEST INSURER OF AMBULANCE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS. WHAT IS EVIDENT IS THAT MOBILE LIFE IS JUST USING FIRE DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS AS A HUB TO SERVE THE 9W CORRIDOR FROM MARLBORO TO ESOPUS INCLUDING THE LUCRATIVE NURSING HOMES LOCATED INSIDE THE TOWN. ROUGH FIGURES OF THE DATA PROVIDED SHOW 20%+ OF THE CALLS DISPATCHED ARE NURSING HOME RELATED. WE ARE PAYING THEM EXTRA ABOVE THE GUARRANTEED MONEY THEY GET WHEN RUNNING TO A NURSING HOME.
4. THE LAST CONTRACT WITH ITS REQUIRED REPORTS, MEETINGS NEVER REALLY HAPPENED, HOPEFULLYTHATWILL CHANGE AND REMAIN CHANGED FOR THE FUTURE. NO OVERSITE MEANS YOU AREN'T DOING YOUR DUTY.

IN CONCLUSION, THE INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED ON TINA DRIVE WHERE WE WAITED TOO LONG FOR AN AMBULANCE WILL HAPPEN AGAIN BASED ON THE CURRENT CONTRACT. YOU DID NOTHING TO ENHANCE OR IMPROVE IT EXCEPT HAND OVER MORE MONEYTO MOBILE LIFE. HOPEFULLY BY RAISING THIS ISSUE AND PERHAPS IF THE OVERSITE AS NOTED IN COMMENT FOUR ACTUALLY STARTS TO HAPPEN THEN THE CHANCE OF A FATAL INSTANCE CAUSED BY AMBULANCE DELAY WILL NOT HAPPEN. BUT IF IT DOES THEN THIS BOARD WILL HAVE TO LOOK AT THEMSELVES IN THE MIRROR AND ASK DID WE REALLY DO THE JOB AS BEST WE COULD FOR THE PEOPLE WHO TRUSTED US WITH THEIR VOTE?

5. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. MOTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Fraino to approve the minutes February 2, 2022 Town Board Workshop meeting, the February 16, 2022 Town Board Regular Meeting and the March 3, 2022 Town Board Workshop meeting.

Five ayes carried

- B. RESOLUTION** made by Guerriero, seconded by Auchmoody to authorize the payment of vouchers as audited by the Audit Committee.

GENERAL	G - 165	to G - 270	\$ 132,649.99
HIGHWAY	H - 100	to H - 143	\$ 58,467.31
MISC	M - 039	to M - 055	\$ 53,252.87
PREPAYS	P - 164	to P - 236	\$ 262,319.29
SEWER	S - 064	to S - 096	\$ 76,257.89
WATER	W - 085	to W - 121	\$ <u>112,079.88</u>
TOTAL			\$ 695,027.23

Roll Call: Fraino, aye; Plavchak, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

Councilmember Fraino asked where the credit card fee goes. Rosinski explained the process.

- C. RESOLUTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Guerriero to authorize the Building Department to accept credit card payments on line and in person for certain Building Department fees.

Roll Call: Fraino, aye; Plavchak, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

Supervisor explained that this resolution was tabled at the last meeting. The resolution is just reclassifying the fees, not raising the fees.

He looked at 5 other towns fee schedules and our fees are in line with where they should be. If we are going to open up to changing fees, we are not going to do it

for just a couple of line items, we would review the entire Development Fee Schedule.

D. RESOLUTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Fraino 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

Roll Call: Fraino, aye; Plavchak, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, nay
Four ayes carried

Supervisor explained the when the water department is working on valves it will enable them to vacuum around the valves instead of hacking with chisels, it will allow them to be more precise, especially when working around other utilities, like the fiber optic cables. Supervisor wants the teams to have the right tools.
Mazzetti said is very impressed by Adam Litman, the Water and Sewer Administrator. Litman took the time to call each Board member and thoroughly explain the machine and its capabilities and Mazzetti said he walked away with a full understanding of the importance of this purchase.
Auchmoody added that you are not supposed to dig around gas lines and if you rent a vacuum excavator, it is \$5,500.00 per day.
Water and Sewer had 13 water breaks this winter, 6 being serious.

E. Resolution made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti to approve the purchase of the trailer mounted Vermeer Vacuum Excavator, model # LP573SGT for the Town of Lloyd Water & Sewer Districts. The Unit will be purchased from Vermeer Mid Atlantic through the Sourcewell program and is budget supported. Sourcewell Contract # 110421-VRM Cost \$68,929.00.
Roll Call: Fraino, aye; Plavchak, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye
Five ayes carried

F. RESOLUTION made by Fraino, seconded by Auchmoody request to approve the following funds to be moved from:

Capital	50-04-5680.40	-\$ 3811.74
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General	00-01-1950.40	-\$ 68929.00
Sewer	30-07-8130.20	\$ 34464.50
Water	20-07-8340-20	\$ 34464.50

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

G. RESOLUTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Auchmoody to hire Joshua Vernon as a full-time Dispatcher at a rate of \$20.50 per hour at the recommendation of Chief James Janso.
Roll Call: Fraino, aye; Plavchak, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye
Five ayes carried

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H. RESOLUTION made by Fraino, seconded by Guerriero to hire Christian McGaw as a part-time Police Officer at a rate of \$21.20 per hour at the recommendation of Chief James Janso.

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

I. RESOLUTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti to hire Tammy Schaeffer as a part-time Dispatcher at a rate of \$18.65 per hour at the recommendation of Chief James Janso.

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

J. RESOLUTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Guerriero to hire Nicholas Vazeos as a part-time Police Officer at a rate of \$24.50 per hour at the recommendation of Chief James Janso.

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

K. RESOLUTION made by Guerriero, seconded by Auchmoody to accept the resignation of Matthew Sudol, Full-time Police Officer effective March 10, 2022.

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

L. MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Fraino to appoint Steve Laubach to the Alternate Position on the Ethics Board.

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

M. RESOLUTION made by Guerriero, seconded by Mazzetti to approve the following seasonal hires for the Recreation Department summer programs:

Rose Ann Lesser - Summer Fun A&C Director

Alyssa Iorlano - Summer Fun A&C Assistant Director

Frank Alfonso, JR - Summer Fun Sports Co- Director

Chris Osterman - Summer Fun Sports Co-Director

at the recommendation of Frank Alfonso, Recreation Director.

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

N. RESOLUTION made by Fraino, seconded by Auchmoody to authorize the Supervisor to approve an MOA for 3 employees to attend New Peer Trainer Orientation May 2-5, 2022 (Eugene Roosa, John Rockwell, Barron Rockwell). No cost to the Town, this is to approve the time off for employees to attend this program.

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

Mark Reynolds said at the last meeting the Supervisor said only 62% of the cost of making water is covered by water charges, who pays for the rest?

Supervisor explained it comes out of the Water and Sewer District taxes, which is supposed to be used for Capital Improvement. The issue is we not done the Capital Improvements to improve efficiency. The goal of this town board this year, to upgrade the water plant. He is spoken with other towns and they are running in the high 80's. We will never be 100% but we need to get close.

Residents in the water district pay for their water usage, they also pay a Water district Tax, only the people in the water district.

MOTION made by Guerriero, seconded by Fraino at 7:46 to go into executive session to discuss PBA Contract.

Five ayes carried

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MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti at 8:48 to come out of executive session to discuss PBA Contract.

Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Fraino at 8:50 to adjourn.

Five ayes carried

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski
Town Clerk

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