

TOWN OF LLOYD

TOWN BOARD MEETING

MARCH 17, 2021

Present: Supervisor Frederick Pizzuto
Councilmember Leonard Auchmoody
Councilmember Michael Guerriero
Councilmember Claire Winslow
Councilmember Joseph Mazzetti

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

PROCLAMATION **Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr.** Memorial Resolution

WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., a lifelong resident of Town of Lloyd, was taken from our midst on February 24, 2021; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., was married to the late Mary Malette in 1960 and they were married for 52 years; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., graduated Highland High School in 1955 at the top of his class; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., attended Ryder College on a full scholarship, graduating in 1959 with a degree in Accounting; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., went to work for US Steel in Pittsburgh; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., in 1962, decided to go to Law School at Villanova Law where he received such a high score on his LSAT's he received a full scholarship; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., moved his family to Rochester, NY and went to work for Charmody-Wait writing for lawbooks; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., in 1967, moved back to Highland, NY and went to work as an Associate for Stewart Schantz Law Firm until 1980; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., went to work for the firm of Torraca, Moriello and Canino; which became Torraca, Moriello, Canino and DiStasi; and then Distasi and Moriello; and finally, Distasi, Moriello and Murphy as it is today; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., was the Town of Lloyd Town Attorney for 40 years, and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., joined the Poughkeepsie New Yorkers Chorus in the early 70's; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., joined the Footlighter's Quartet in 1975; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., enjoyed the Barber Shop Quartet for over 30 years, the quartet family was a big part of his life, they practiced every week at each other's homes, attended conventions with their families and became an extended family, and;
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., played tennis every Sunday with his lawyer friends; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., and his never-ending knowledge of the Law and everything Highland will be deeply missed by those who worked with him and for him; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., "was so smart, he was our google"; and
WHEREAS, Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr., will be deeply missed and forever remembered by his community, friends and family; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Regular Meeting of March 17, 2021 of the Town of Lloyd Town Board be opened in memory of Lewis Charles DiStasi, Jr.; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution will be delivered to his daughter Krista DiStasi Rizzo, her husband Lenny Rizzo and their daughters, Kayla and Luca with the deepest sympathy of this Town Board of the Town of Lloyd.

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PROCLAMATION

Gene H. Robison

Memorial Resolution

WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison, a lifelong resident of Town of Lloyd, was taken from our midst on March 14, 2021; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison grew up on North Road in Highland; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison was married to Linda LaForge Robinson for which would have been 50 years on March 21st; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison and his father opened William H. Robison and Sons refuse company in 1935; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison eventually changed it to Robison Refuse Service and operated it with his wife Linda; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison was a star football player on Bob Relyea's Highland High School undefeated team in 1956-1960; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison also played Baseball and Track; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison was a member of the Elks Club in New Paltz; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison was a devoted Giants fan; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison loved playing cards, fishing, barbecues, sharing a beer with his friends and family and telling old stories; and
WHEREAS, Gene H. Robison will be deeply missed by his community, friends and family; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Town Board Meeting of March 17, 2021 of the Town of Lloyd Town Board be opened in memory of Gene H. Robison; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution is delivered to his family, with the deepest sympathy of this Town Board of the Town of Lloyd.

7:00 PM – Supervisor opened meeting with Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmember Auchmoody.

7:04 PM MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow to **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING:** Town of Lloyd Police Reform & Reinvention Committee

1. REPORTS – Town Board Liaisons

Assessor - Supervisor

Audit – January 1 – June 30, 2021: Councilmembers Auchmoody and Mazzetti

July 1 - December 31, 2021: Councilmembers Winslow and Guerriero

Building Department – Supervisor

EDC (Economic Development Committee) - Councilmember Auchmoody

Highland Fire District – Supervisor

Highland Central School District – Councilmember Mazzetti

Mazzetti reported that they want to start Kindergarten and 1st grade thru 12th grade, 4 days a week, further discussion and determination will be made in April. They are going to need dividers on the desks. Dividers cost between \$20,000 and \$40,000.

They are getting ready for budget season, and hired a new Assistant Superintendent.

State testing is on. Regents will be testing for knowledge, not for pass or fail.

Highland Landing Park – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody reported that they have plans to finish putting railings up. They have to put stones on the back wall and they have several volunteers that want to help with that.

They want to plant pachysandra as a ground cover, and plant more grass in the Spring. They also have to finish where that rock is, where the plaque for Bob Shephard is going to go.

They are also working on getting rid of the geese and seagulls.

Auchmoody stated that the Boring Contractor sent CSX a diagram over a month and a half ago and now CSX is requesting the diagram in color, which was sent back to them this past Friday. This should be the last piece of the puzzle. As soon as he gets it back, he wants to start doing the job full speed ahead.

Hudson 7 – Councilmember Russ Gilmore

Lights – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody reported that the lights on Haviland Road have been installed.

Bridgeview had four lights out, and some lights were damaged. He reported them to Central Hudson and they will change the light bulbs and the sensors. The damaged lights will be the Homeowner's Association's responsibility.

Planning Board – Councilmember Winslow

Winslow stated that the Town Board and Planning Board had a virtual informative meeting last night via Webex for the Villages SEQRA to see what the future may hold. Tomorrow, the Planning Board will have their workshop meeting which will start at 5:30 PM.

Police – Supervisor

Hudson Valley Rail Trail – Councilmember Auchmoody

Bellizzi reported that the population has been increasing on the trail due to the warm weather. It's greatly appreciated that it has been plowed all winter.

Jolly Rovers has started working on installing the staircase by Black Creek. They will be asking for volunteers to help do things in the coming weeks.

Water and Sewer – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody stated that they discussed everything that was discussed in the Joint Workshop for The Village in the Hudson Valley (the "Villages"), and things that have to be done for the water. They will need to enlarge the size of the pumps that are on Vineyard Ave. and change the impellers on one of the pump stations. Anything that needs to be done because of this project, is on the builder's budget, at no expense of the town. They will have the fire protection they need by changing these pumps as opposed to building another water tower.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Councilmember Guerriero

Guerriero reported that the Board had five applicants for Public Hearings.

Felice, Joseph; 6 Hillside Place 88.69-2-4 Area Variance – Applicant is seeking a variance for right side yard, front yard, and coverage relief.

Costantino, Raymond 136 Bellevue Road. 88.1-3-24.114. Area Variance was approved – Applicant desires a two-lot subdivision. Both lots would need relief as they lack the required lot width for lots in the zone. Proposed lot #1 relief requested 45 feet; proposed lot #2 relief requested 59 feet. Required lot width in R-2 zone is 150 feet.

All Space Storage, LLC 480 Route 299. 87.1-2-28 Area Variance was granted - applicant is looking to obtain an area variance for 50% lot coverage on a lot where 40% lot coverage is permitted.

Leprechaun Ventures 436 Upper North Road. 80.3-1-29.100 Area Variance - applicant is seeking relief of 15 feet for a rear yard setback and relief of 11,108 feet for lot size.

Giammarco, Ronald; 42 Perkinsville Road. 95.2-3-9 Area Variance - applicant is seeking a variance for right side yard relief of 3 feet 11 inches to construct a garage with an above living space.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Councilman Mazzetti inquired about the status of the Pavilion on the Town Field. Pizzuto added that they have received a proposal from CPL.

Auchmoody stated that he spoke to Mike Guerriero who disclosed that Ritchie Klotz helped to remove the stumps from there and removed the fence. They need to find out what is the best route to get to the sewer line and the water line and find out how high they need to raise the base or if they will need a pump station.

They spoke to CPL who will do as much as they can, as far as the design element, and will contribute to the town as much as the company can. They will need to get a base price for the pavilion itself, then go out to bid for it.

The Town needs to find more money. Nothing will get done until next year. CPL is working with the numbers and will give us an idea of how much it is going to cost. It is much too wet to do anything right now. Once it dries out a bit, they will start working on some clearing.

B. Councilman Mazzetti inquired about the status of the trailer on Vineyard Ave.

David Barton, Building Department Director responded that they reached out to the homeowner, as per the code, with An Order of Remedy and they haven't responded. Barton will reach out to Giangrasso to get an update and will follow up with Mazzetti directly. Barton said the process is code driven.

C. Councilman Mazzetti inquired about Camp Karlin Stolin off South Chodikee Lake

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Road. Some buildings were brought in without permits. Barton said he and Giangrasso met with them and ultimately issued permits. Every year they meet with them and do a meet and greet, as does the Chief. They will continue to remove the old run-down bungalows and replace them with the prefabricated homes. Mazzetti inquired if they do a safety inspection on the swings at the camps because they look very old. Barton confirmed that he works for the Building Department and inspects buildings and that NY State and the Department of Health regulates the swings and other nonstructural amenities. They are reviewed regularly.

3. NEW BUSINESS

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

5. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. **MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, to approve the minutes of the Town Board February 17, 2021 Workshop, and March 3, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

Five ayes carried

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

GENERAL	G - 240	to G - 353	\$ 85,992.19
HIGHWAY	H - 105	to H - 170	\$ 71,039.01
MISC	M - 070(A&B)	to M - 100	\$ 54,991.78
PREPAYS	P - 129	to P - 188	\$ 96,542.37
SEWER	S - 111	to S - 145	\$ 46,798.08
WATER	W - 063	to W - 106	<u>\$ 33,740.15</u>
		TOTAL:	\$ 389,103.58

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

- C. **RESOLUTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti,
WHEREAS at the Town Board meeting on August 21, 2020, the Town Board passed a resolution to install "Flow Bird" pay stations on Haviland Road and the parking lots at 75 Haviland Road and 100 Haviland Road and;
WHEREAS, the fees will be collected by the Town Clerk,
NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to open a new bank account at M & T Bank for collection of the parking fees/fines.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

- D. **RESOLUTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero, to accept the resignation of Michael J. Henry, part-time Police Officer as of 3/10/2021.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

- E. **RESOLUTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Auchmoody,
WHEREAS Mr. John Rockwell, presently employed by the Town of Lloyd Highway Department, has successfully submitted an application and possesses all the qualifications to fill the Water/Wastewater Maintenance Worker position at the Town of Lloyd Water/Sewer Departments.
THEREFORE hiring Mr. John Rockwell to the position of Water/Wastewater Maintenance Worker, thus changing Mr. John Rockwell's title and base rate of pay from MEO at \$ 20.83 Pr. Hr. to Water/Wastewater Maintenance Worker at \$ 22.06 Pr. Hr. The start date at the Town of Lloyd Water/Sewer Departments would be March 27, 2021 at the recommendation of Adam Litman, Water/ Sewer Director.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

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7:50 PM MOTION made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti, to **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING:** Town of Lloyd Police Reform & Reinvention Committee

Five ayes carried

F. RESOLUTION made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti;

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 203 mandated that every municipality with a Police Agency perform a comprehensive review of current Police Force deployments, strategies, policies, procedures and practices and develop a plan to improve such deployments, strategies, policies, procedures and practices for the purpose of addressing the particular needs of the communities served by such Police Agency and promote community engagement to foster trust, fairness and legitimacy and to address any racial bias and disproportionate policing of communities of color; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd, by the Town of Lloyd Police Reform and Reinvention Committee has performed a comprehensive review of current police force deployments, strategies, policies, procedures and practices; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd Police Reform and Reinvention Committee has prepared a report/plan on its findings and to improve such deployments, strategies, policies, procedures and practices; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd has consulted with stakeholders, including but not limited to membership and leadership of the local police department; members of the community, with emphasis in areas with high numbers of police and community interactions; interested non-profit and faith-based community groups; the local office of the District Attorney; the local Public Defender; and local Elected Officials regarding the report/plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd Police Reform and Reinvention Committee has offered to report/plan, in draft form, for public comment to all Citizens in the locality and, prior to the adoption of the report/plan, by the Town Board, the Town Board has considered the comments submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered the comments submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board now wishes to ratify the report/plan, a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town Board of the Town of Lloyd hereby ratifies the report/plan prepared by the Town of Lloyd Police Reform and Reinvention Committee, a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Lloyd and the Supervisor is authorized to sign the same.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

G. RESOLUTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow

WHEREAS, The Town Board has determined that the building situate at 9 Commercial Avenue, in the Town of Lloyd, (SBL: 88.69-10-26.110) has been deemed unsafe and is in imminent danger of collapsing from a failing roof system and presents the risk of falling into Meadow Street; and

WHEREAS, on March 10th, 2020 the building department of The Town of Lloyd issued an Order to Remedy Violation to the owners of said premises and building and directed the owners to comply with the law and remedy the condition; and

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2020 the Building Department placarded the building located at 9 Commercial Avenue as a "unsafe structure" as per §1203 of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code of the State of New York, issued a Notice of Complaint and by correspondence dated December 8, 2020 notified the owners that the structure was placarded as an "unsafe structure", served the Notice of Complaint and advised the owners that the Town of Lloyd Building Department was directing them to either remove all damaged structural elements and secure the building or demolish all sections that are deemed in failure; and

WHEREAS, to date the owners of the structure have failed to comply and or respond to the multiple Orders/Notices from the Building Department; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the code of the Town of Lloyd Chapter 44 "Buildings, Unsafe" when the Building Inspector of the Town or such other person appointed by the Town Board to enforce the provisions of said Chapter 44 have determined that a building is dangerous or unsafe to the general public or is unfit for the purposes for which it may lawfully be used, he shall cause or make an inspection thereof and shall

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report in writing to the Town Board his findings and recommendations in regard to which repair or demolition and removal; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Giangrasso as Deputy Building Inspector of the Town of Lloyd has made such inspection and reported his findings and recommendations in regard to the premises and structure located at 9 Commercial Avenue in the Town of Lloyd by correspondence dated February 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered such report and desires by Resolution to declare that such building is unsafe and dangerous and to order its repair if the same can be safely repaired, or its demolition and removal and further order that a Notice be served upon the owners and set a date for a hearing to be held before the Town Board in regard to said Building; and

WHEREAS, the Town Attorney at the direction of the Town Board has prepared such a Notice a copy of which is attached hereto and made apart hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved as follows:

1. That the Order attached hereto and made apart hereof be approved and served upon the owners of the building located at 9 Commercial Avenue, Highland, NY 12528 and that a hearing be held in this matter on the __31st__ day of __March__ 2021 at __5:00__PM in the afternoon of that day, on the repairs, removal and or demolition of the building which is subject to said Notice.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye

Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow, to go into executive session at 8:10 PM to discuss personnel.

Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow, to come out of executive session at 8:27 PM

Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow, to adjourn at 8:30 PM

Five ayes carried

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski
Town Clerk

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