

TOWN OF LLOYD
TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
APRIL 1, 2020

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
Rob Stout, Land Attorney

Meeting was held by teleconference call through ZOOM.

5:00 PM – Supervisor opened meeting with Auchmoody leading Pledge of Allegiance. He thanked Rosinski and Margaret O’Halloran, Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor for arranging this meeting through ZOOM on such short notice.

1. REPORTS

Finance – Supervisor
Assessor – Supervisor

Building & Zoning Department – David Barton

Barton reminded the board that his department is working from home because of COVID-19. He reported that there was a fire at the Highland Assisted Living Facility on Grove Street last night. He went in to assess the situation earlier today.

It has been fairly busy lately, even with the pandemic. People are still moving forward with projects.

He has had online meetings with Scenic Hudson to review the GIS software.

The sidewalk grant has been approved by DOT and he is recommending Barton & Loguidice to be the project manager. He has created a spread sheet to illustrate why he thinks they are the preferred choice.

They are ready to go out to bid for paving the rail trail, which is being done through a grant as well.

The Tillson Avenue project is very close to going out to bid.

The Villages project is now being proposed as an assisted living facility only. It will be a two-story building with a gable roof. Though it is wider than originally planned, they feel they can comply with zoning in every other way. They are looking for a waiver based on their new proposal. This will require a public hearing.

Mazzetti shared that he doesn’t think public hearings should be set until the public can attend.

Supervisor said tentative public hearings have already been set, this would mean adding one more to the existing list. But none can proceed until arrangements can be made for the public to participate.

Murphy said if we do not add The Villages to the list, and we are able to have the public hearing in a couple of weeks, then we’ve unnecessarily delayed The Villages’ waiver request by a month or more.

Mazzetti asked Barton if the sidewalk project has to go out to bid. Barton said Barton & Loguidice is on the state approved list of contractors, and they submitted an RFQ to us allowing them to participate in the project. There were 15 companies that applied and based on Dave Barton’s experience, and Barton & Loguidice’s abilities, he is recommending them for this project.

Highway – Superintendent Richard Klotz

Police – Chief James Janso

CALLS FOR SERVICE-----	1544
ACCIDENTS-----	21
TICKETS (PARKING/UTT’S) -----	(0 parking)
	(45 UTT’S)
ARRESTS-----	17
FOOT PATROL-----	HAMLET (OFFICER/SGT) ----- Approx. 150 hrs.
	SCHOOLS (OFFICERS/SGT)-----Approx. 0 hrs.
FOOT PATROL-----	HAMLET (CHIEF)-----Approx. 1 hrs.
	SCHOOLS (CHIEF)-----Approx. 0 hrs.

March 01st- Sgt. Roloson instructed a class on Crime Scene Preservation as well as Workplace Harassment to members of the Highland Fire Dept.

March 02nd-Youth Rec League took place, members played kickball and soccer with

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approx. 10 local kids.

March 06th- the dept. delivered several grocery bags of non-perishable goods to our senior citizens on our Project Care program. Food was donated by the Holy Trinity Church Food Pantry.

March 10th- Cops and Coffee took place at Vigneto's Café.

March 11th – Det. Ventura spoke to students at the Highland High School as part of March Lunch and Learn with a leader/law enforcement program.

March 12th- meeting with New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Board on grants, which are in the process of being completed and approved for selective vehicle and traffic enforcement for the police dept.

March 12th- Supervisor Pizzuto did police ride-along on the evening tour with Sgt. Kalimeras and got to see another side of the Town of Lloyd.

March 13th -meeting held at the Highland High School with the school cabinet on school functions, and emergency plans for the school closing due to the Corona Virus.

March 18th- Sgt Roloson, Officer Day, Officer Henry received a Life Saving Award at the town board meeting.

March 26th, 28th, 31st – the dept. assisted in delivering food to town residents as part of the Ulster County "Project Resilience" program. The program is very well organized and very well run. Chief thanked Winslow for doing an outstanding job organizing this. Winslow said they started with 50 and now they're up to 140 residents, with more being added every day.

March 26th -Assisted the American Red Cross with a Blood Drive at the Community Room of HFD.

March 27th -Tony Williams park as well as Berean Park were closed and all basketball courts, tennis courts, ball fields were locked to ensure public safety and deter social gathering in keeping with the Governor's order of social distance.

March -All dept. members completed online training on "Responsible Use of Social Media"

Throughout the month of March, Chief had daily meetings and phone calls with the Town Supervisor on updates, public safety and employee safety, policies, procedures with the Corona Virus.

They are continuing to update members on procedures and training for COVID-19 via on-line video and the Ulster County Health Dept, NYMIR etc.

They have stepped up extra patrols of the rail trail, and town parks (Highland Landing, Berean Park, Tony Williams), as well as the state parks and parking lots of essential businesses still open to ensure public safety

All cars are fully equipped with a hazmat box which contains Tyvek suits, hoods, boot covers, eye/face shields, face masks, gloves, hand sanitizers, and HAZMAT bags.

The Town of Lloyd Police Civilian Police Academy has been postponed and will be rescheduled later this year.

Cops and Coffee as well as the Town of Lloyd Police Youth Rec. League have been cancelled for the month of April. We will readdress as we approach May.

As a precaution, the dept. quarantined 2 employees in the month of March, which resulted in negative test results. So far we are holding strong...#LLOYDSTRONG .

Recreation/Buildings & Grounds – Frank Alfonso

Town Clerk – Wendy Rosinski

Water & Sewer – Adam Litman

Litman reported that 90% of water production is a blend of river water and reservoir water. The other 10% is well water. They are still on a blend because of the Pilot study. They have agreed to extend the Pilot Plant to collect additional data.

Supervisor – Frederick Pizzuto

Supervisor reported that both the assessor, Annie Feo, and the bookkeeper, Sadie Becker, will be giving their reports next month.

The first automatic payroll will take place tomorrow. All but a handful of employees will have automatic deposit to their bank account. If a check has to be mailed to the town hall, it delays when the employee receives their check and opens the possibility of it getting lost in the mail. We're encouraging everyone to do automatic deposit.

Supervisor is participating in phone meetings with the County Executive, or his assistants, and the health department seven days a week. Highland is on the low end of positive COVID-19 tests. Test sites are located in Kingston, Ellenville, and Rt. 9D in Dutchess County.

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Winslow deserves much praise for her efforts with Project Resilience. She is doing a superb job.

Mazzetti requested that information regarding the status of the Tillson Avenue project be posted on the town's website.

2. OLD BUSINESS

3. NEW BUSINESS

In order to eliminate any perceived conflict of interest, Supervisor is stepping down from the chairmanship of the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee, but will remain on the board. Scott McCarthy is now the Chair of that committee.

MOTION made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero to set a Public Hearing for Bark Place of Ulster.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Mazzetti, nay; Guerriero, aye; Auchmoody, aye
Four ayes carried

MOTION made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero to set a Public Hearing for The Views.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Mazzetti, nay; Guerriero, aye; Auchmoody, aye
Four ayes carried

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

5. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

A. RESOLUTION made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti to accept the resignation Of Rena Rizzo effective April 30, 2020.

Roll call: Pizzuto, aye; Winslow, aye; Mazzetti, aye; Guerriero, aye; Auchmoody, aye
Five ayes carried

Town Clerk, Wendy D. Rosinski appoints Rena Rizzo as 1st Deputy Town Clerk Effective May 4, 2020.

B. MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow to accept the resignation of Fred Pizzuto as Chairman of the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee.

Five ayes carried

C. MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow to appoint Scott McCarthy as Chairman of the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee.

Five ayes carried

A discussion was held about how to hold meetings during COVID-19 where the public could respond during Privilege of the Floor, but where they could be restricted from responding inappropriately at other times. Anyone interested in participating in the meeting does have to contact Rosinski to receive the access code.

Both Rosinski and Margaret O'Halloran e-mailed Mark Reynolds, reporter, with the information necessary to attend the meeting.

Winslow said the contractors are still working behind Dollar General even though they are not essential. Barton said the building department is not responsible for enforcing the Governor's rules. However, he is waiting to hear from the state about who manages that area, and the possibility of affordable housing projects being exempt from the COVID-19 stop work order.

Winslow asked if it was possible to have a public teleconference meeting with the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee. Supervisor answered that they will work towards that goal and keep everyone posted.

MOTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM.

Five ayes carried

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski
Town Clerk

