

TOWN OF LLOYD

TOWN BOARD MEETING

JULY 21, 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

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

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

PROCLAMATION

Paul Jon Hansut Memorial Resolution

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was a lifelong resident of the Town of Lloyd, New York and was taken from our midst on July 17, 2021 at the age of 57; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut married Gina Elizabeth Alfonso on September 12, 1987; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was a Town of Lloyd Police Officer from 1991 to 1994; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was a City of Poughkeepsie Police Patrolman, and City Detective from 1994 until his retirement in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was an Ulster County Legislator for four years, two of which he was Majority Leader; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was the Town of Lloyd Town Supervisor from 2012 to 2019; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut loved Law Enforcement, Veterans, Scouts, Senior Citizens and serving his community in any way possible; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was a member of the Town of Lloyd Republican Committee, Town of Lloyd Ethics Board, Town of Lloyd Recreation Commission, Highland Little League and Junior League, Hudson Valley Umpire Association, Highland Cemetery Committee, the Italian Center, Polish Center, Machinist Club, St. Augustine Church Bazaar Chairman (5 years) and 3rd Degree member of St. Augustine Church Knights of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut was dedicated to his family, friends and community; and

WHEREAS, Paul J. Hansut will be deeply missed by his wife Gina; his son Paul; his daughter Megan Primo; her husband Jake Primo and the lights of his life, his grandsons Lorenzo and Carmelo and his beloved dog Bentley.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this July 21, 2021 Meeting of the Town of Lloyd Town Board be opened in memory of Paul Jon Hansut; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be delivered to his wife, Gina Alfonso Hansut, with the deepest sympathy of this Town Board of the Town of Lloyd.

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

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Highland Central School District – Councilmember Mazzetti

Mazzetti reported that Superintendent, Thomas M. Bongiovi, has retired. Joel Freer is the new Superintendent of Highland Central Schools. He was the Highland Elementary School Principal. Mazzetti wasn't sure if Freer is an interim Superintendent.

Highland Landing Park – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody reported that he spoke with the contractor, Green Meadows, about the start date for the water and sewer line to the educational building. CPL said it will be a couple of weeks.

The rock that will be dedicated to Bob Shepard is in place and they have poured concrete around it from the driveway up to the building.

They are removing the plaques from the bulkhead and are considering placing them on plexiglass on the building. The dedication of the rock, and everything at the park, to Bob Shepard, will take place on October 13th, Shepard's 80th birthday.

Lights – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody stated that Central Hudson has gotten back to us about the six lights that are out at Bridgeview, they are not going to fix them.

Auchmoody asked Michael Bragg, from Bragg Electric, to go up to Bridgeview and see if it's just a matter of replacing the bulbs. He'll use a lift truck to check. The light poles are rotting at ground level and are not safe.

Auchmoody went to Zumtobel and Selux and asked them if they had something in the design packaging that would work. The engineer from Selux, had some pretty cool lights. They wouldn't light as far towards the house as it would across the sidewalk. Of course, we have to go out for bid. First, we have to find the money. It's something that we need to start looking at.

Planning Board – Councilmember Winslow

Winslow reported that the Planning Board meeting is tomorrow night at 7 PM.

Selux is open for a public hearing. The applicant is seeking commercial site plan and special use permit approval to construct and maintain a 750 KW solar array in an unused portion of the parcel.

Stephanie Basciano is open for public hearing too. The applicant is seeking a lot revision between 4 existing lots on Pancake Hollow Rd., located in the R-1 zone and A zone.

Rover Contracting is also open for public hearing. The applicant is seeking site plan approval to permit construction of a 9,800 square foot warehouse building for storage and maintenance of equipment for a construction company with an attached two-story office and file storage annex totaling 3,000 square feet in size.

The Village in the Hudson Valley is seeking approval for an Assisted Living Facility.

Police – Supervisor

Pizzuto reported that they had an initial sit-down last week. As you know the Police contract expired over a year and a half ago. We are starting to get ourselves on track to start the negotiations.

Hudson Valley Rail Trail – Peter Bellizzi

Bellizzi reported that last Friday they had a Girls 2.5K run on the Rail Trail. 30 girls ran the Rail Trail from the caboose and back. It was a great run. People enjoyed it. They were coming back to the finish line and received major applause.

The Jolly Rovers are continuing their work on the stairs coming up from the old rail bed to the new bed by Black Creek.

The Girl Scouts bog bridge project has been completed on a path off the old rail bed to Black Creek.

Water and Sewer – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody stated that he believes Falcon Ridge is coming back for the Water and Sewer meeting next month.

Zoning Board of Appeals – Councilmember Guerriero

Guerriero reported that the Stewart Shop – 3733 Route 9W. 96.9-1-33.100 applied for a variance of 1 foot, 8 inches for sign height, and relief of 23% for lot coverage, and this was approved.

ECC – Councilmember Guerriero

ECC will meet on July 25th @ 9 AM up on Chodikee Lake, they are going to remove the water chestnuts. This is done every year. They take them to Kingston where they get burned. They are looking for volunteers and anyone who has kayaks or canoes.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Supervisor stated that Cablevision contract Public Hearing is still open and it will continue at the next regular meeting.

B. Mazzetti inquired about the sidewalk on Commercial Ave. Ext.

Scott McCarthy, Planning Board Chairman, answered that he recalled from the discussion at the Planning Board meeting that the sidewalk was going to be built on the west side of the apartments where the utility and transformer boxes are, on the left side of the building. The Planning Board felt the slope was too steep and were concerned that it would be a hazard for people walking up and down. Other Board members made suggestions, maybe doing a staging of tiers to snake up, and then the liability issue came up again. They suggested a sidewalk at a different location. The developer said that he would pay for the sidewalk, at that time.

Auchmoody reported that they had a meeting on Tuesday with Ali Venkatraman, who owns 9 Commercial Ave. The wall debris is falling into the road. They already closed the road for almost a month till Venkatraman could have it demolished. Unfortunately, Venkatraman thought he was going to knock down the wall and leave it on the ground.

Auchmoody told Venkatraman that he can't do this. He needs to get a container and get it cleaned up.

Ali (Mr. Venkatraman) agreed to clean up the metal and all of the other stuff that is piled up, in two working days. He also said he would have a fence put up within a week. Now, it's Wednesday, no fence and no clean-up, nothing.

Supervisor stated that Giangrasso called Mr. Venkatraman today and he promised that in another week, he would get to it.

The building has been placarded by the building department as "unsafe structure".

When we were watching the wall come down during the demolition, the next wall in, that's free standing, was wobbling back and forth. Giangrasso has asked an architect to take a look at it, to deem if it's structurally sound or not.

There's debris all around the property, there's metal in the front. Under the site plan terms of that building, there's not supposed to be any storage outside. There are pallets in front of the building. There's to be nothing in front of the building, no storage outside in the back, and now there's shredded metal in the front and in the back. There is debris all over.

Supervisor said he reached out to one of the national fence companies, he is going to ask the Town Board tonight to move on putting a fence around Ali's property. If some kids get in there, get hurt, get cut, or the wall does come down, we will have a tremendous liability. Whatever we spend on this, it will be levied against his taxes. This is Mr. Venkatraman's building. We can call tomorrow and have a fence put up and then have the building cleaned out, and go from there. Then it will be up to Mr. Venkatraman - what he wants to do with the building. In the meantime, the cost comes back to the property owner.

MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Guerriero, to put a fence up on Mr. Venkatraman's property located at 9 Commercial Ave.

Five ayes carried

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. La Cucina Rosalie, Inc is asking the Town of Board for the first 30 days advance notice to be waived and for no objection, for their liquor license.

The Town Board had no objection. Rosinski, Town Clerk, will send a letter to them and to Food and Beverage.

4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mark Reynolds, reporter, inquired about RUPCO (Rural Ulster Preservation Company).

Supervisor responded that they have forwarded our Local Law to RUPCO. From his understanding the building department has forwarded one of the properties, The Views, in development right now. That was last week and he hasn't heard from them. There's no timeline. He will follow-up with Kevin O'Connor.

Reynolds inquired about the Quarterly ZBA report that is supposed to be presented and filed with the Town Clerk.

Supervisor stated that he is satisfied with the liaison's report once a month.

5. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

A. MOTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Winslow, to designate the following two council members, Claire Winslow and Mike Guerriero as signatories for vouchers from July 1-December 31, 2021.

Five ayes carried

B. RESOLUTION made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow, to authorize Town Clerk to accept Water and Sewer payments by credit card and E-check effective July 1, 2021.

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

Five ayes carried

C. RESOLUTION made by Auchmoody, seconded by Winslow, to authorize the payment of vouchers as audited by the Audit Committee.

GENERAL	G - 608	to G - 687	\$ 75,638.22
HIGHWAY	H - 289	to H - 331	\$ 46,744.40
MISC	M - 158	to M - 167	\$ 69,073.07
PREPAYS	P - 375	to P - 519	\$ 400,739.20
SEWER	S - 238	to S - 276	\$ 22,227.23
WATER	W - 239	to W - 284	\$ 31,024.96
TOTAL:			\$ 645,447.08

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

Five ayes carried

D. RESOLUTION made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero, authorizing Barton & Loguidice to write the grant application for the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) for a New York State Department of Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant \$70,000 - \$100,000.

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

Five ayes carried

E. RESOLUTION made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero, for the

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RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF LLOYD BOARD AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S SMART GROWTH COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM, FOR A PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT; ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THERE ARE SUFFICIENT MATCH FUNDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FOR THE APPLICATION AND GRANT AGREEMENT DOCUMENTS, IF AWARDED.

WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd approves the submittal of a Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) for a Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Project (Project); and **WHEREAS**, the Department of State, pursuant to the Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant regulations requires an applicant to fund up to 10% of the total project cost, pursuant to the grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Lloyd has secured (or will secure if not) up to 10% of the total project cost, pursuant to the grant program, in cash and in-kind services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute the Grant Agreement with the New York State Department of State and any and all other contracts and documents necessary to bring

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about the Project and to fulfill the Town’s obligations under the Department of State’s Smart Growth Comprehensive Planning Grant Agreement.

The question of adoption of the forgoing resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

F. Resolution made by Winslow, seconded by Auchmoody, to authorize the following budget amendments:

Recreation Reserve		-\$21,890.00
50-06-7320.40		+\$21,890.00 Berean Park Recreation
HIGHWAY		
5112.29	Crow Hill Road	- \$5,615.24
5112.27	Joan Place	+ \$3,586.81
5112.31	Dominick Drive	+ \$ 101.32
5112.32	Ransom Road	+ \$1,927.11
5140.10	Brush & Weed	+\$20,000.
5142.40	Snow	-\$20,000.

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

MOTION made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero, to go into Executive Session at 7:50 PM to discuss litigation.

Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Winslow, seconded by Auchmoody, to come out of Executive Session at 8:08 PM.

Five ayes carried

MOTION made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero, to adjourn meeting at 8:10 PM.

Five ayes carried

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski
Town Clerk

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