

**TOWN OF LLOYD**  
**TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING**  
AUGUST 5, 2020

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

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

**\*Absent:** Councilmember Claire Winslow

*Town Board, Town Clerk and Counsel ONLY will meet in the meeting room at Town Hall.  
Department Heads will participate remotely through Web-ex.  
The public will NOT be allowed in Town Hall.  
The public can participate remotely through Web-ex.  
The meeting will be streamed on Channel 22.*

**5:00 PM – Supervisor** opened meeting with Pledge of Allegiance lead by Councilmember Lenny Auchmoody

Condolences to David Barton, Building Department Director, for the loss of his  
Father-in-Law.

Condolences to Rena Rizzo, First Deputy Town Clerk, for the loss of her Mother.

**PROCLAMATION**  
**Dorothy “Dottie” Jean Gruner**  
Memorial Resolution

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner, a lifelong resident of Town of Lloyd, was taken from our midst on July 11,2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner was married to the late William Gruner, Esq.; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner was the Assistant Town of Lloyd Historian in 1985 and the Town Historian in 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner was proud of her Italian-Irish-American heritage and fought to return Mile Hill Road to its original Little Italy Road where she was born and raised; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner happily volunteered with so many Highland organizations including; The Daughters of the Revolution, Girl Scouts, The Community Action Agency, Heat Assistance and the Presbyterian Church Meals on Wheels; and,

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner single handedly restored many of Highland’s smaller local cemeteries and took up collections to buy new headstones for those stones that were too old to read; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner provided her daughters quiet lessons in profound acts of kindness; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner as a member of the American Legion wrote and gave Memorial Day Remembrance Speeches; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner loved The History of the Hudson Valley and read every book on the subject, and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner devoted time to her many nieces and nephews, reporting facts and memories of days gone by for many a book report; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner loved to take whoever else could fit in the station wagon to a lake and fish; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner never let a day go by without speaking of, writing about, or calling to say hello to a World War II veteran, her dedication was unsurpassed; and

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**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner loved to ice skate on Schantz's pond and at Pratt's Mill with her brothers and sister looking forward to dominos afterward; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner was progressive, passionate about caring for others, open minded and always wanted to learn; and

**WHEREAS**, Dorothy Jean Gruner; (Mrs. Gruner, Dorothy, Dottie, Dot, Aunt Dot, Mom) will be deeply missed by her community, friends and family; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Workshop Meeting of the Town of Lloyd Town Board be opened in memory of Dorothy Jean Gruner; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a certified copy of this resolution is delivered to her family, with the deepest sympathy of this Town Board of the Town of Lloyd.

Call-in users where unable to hear the Town Board, and there was a lot of static and feedback. The Town Board asked Webex users to watch on Channel 22 and "chat" through WebEx with their comments or questions for Dave Barton, the host, who will read them to the town board.

The Town Board decided that department heads would not give their reports.

## **1. REPORTS**

### **Dog Control**

Total number of Calls – 15

Police calls (from Lloyd Police and Ulster County Sherriff) - 4

Open cases - 2

Stray dogs impounded and/or seized - 0

Appearance tickets issued - 2

0 dogs in the kennel

No dog bites reported this month

1 dangerous dog case in progress

### **Finance – Sadie Becker**

AUD (Annual Update Document) summary

#### **GENERAL**

There is \$1,667,622 in unassigned, unappropriated fund balance in the General fund:

\$1,258,018 of the unassigned fund balance is not readily available (accounts receivable) because this was loaned to the capital fund. Once capital grant money is received, it will be paid back to the General fund

\$131,000 is being used to establish Capital Project-Sidewalk "Street Scape Highland Hamlet"

These items bring the available fund balance to \$278,604.00

Having a decent fund balance allows the Town to do projects without short term financing, saving the tax payers closing costs and interest payments.

One of the unofficial results of the State Comptroller's audit is that the Town Board needs to implement a Fund Balance policy to give guidelines on the balance to keep in each fund.

#### **HIGHWAY**

There is a \$295,483 assigned, unappropriated fund balance in Highway fund.

#### **WATER**

There is a \$395,101 assigned, unappropriated fund balance in Water. This is less than last year because in 2019 \$236,750 was used to pay for Grove/Main St. water main project.

#### **SEWER**

There is a \$649,442 assigned, unappropriated fund balance in Sewer. The Town needs to set up reserve accounts for Inflow & Infiltration, which we have been budgeting for since 2017, and set up a maintenance reserve account with some of these funds.

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**Budget – Margaret O’Halloran**

**Assessor – Anne Feo**

THE MONTH OF JULY WAS SPENT TYING UP LOOSE ENDS FOR THE FINAL ROLL WHICH INCLUDES ANY CHANGES TO RAILROAD CEILING ASSESSMENTS, NEW PROPERTY TRANSFERS, CORRECTION TO THE ROLL FOR EXEMPTIONS, ETC.

PROPERTY OWNERS WHO FILED GRIEVANCES IN MAY HAVE UNTIL JULY 31<sup>ST</sup> EVERY YEAR TO FILE SMALL CLAIMS REVIEWS AND CERTIORARIS. AS OF NOW, WE HAVE 4 SCAR PETITIONS AND ONE CERTIORARI FILED.

BESIDES UPDATING NAMES AND ADDRESSES FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL BILL PROCESSING, WE HAVE ENTERED OUR SCHOOL RELEVY AMOUNTS ONTO OUR RPS SYSTEM FOR OWNERS WHO HAVE TO PAY BACK EXEMPTIONS THEY RECEIVED ON PRIOR BILLS THAT THEY WEREN’T ENTITLED TO.

NYS DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE HAS ISSUED **STAR** REPORTS TO EITHER ADD OR REMOVE STAR EXEMPTIONS FOR NUMEROUS REASONS. ULSTER COUNTY HAS IMPLEMENTED NEXT YEAR PROCESSING ON OUR REAL PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM. SO, NOW WE ARE ABLE TO PREPARE AND WORK ON THE NEW 2021 ASSESSMENT ROLL. ULSTER COUNTY HAS ALSO NOTIFIED TOWNS THAT THEY HAVE A DEADLINE TO RESPOND TO, WHETHER THEY PLAN ON REASSESSING AND GOING TO 100% MARKET VALUE OR LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT FOR 2021. MOST TOWNS IN ULSTER COUNTY ARE CURRENTLY AT 85%-90% RIGHT NOW. LLOYD WAS AT 97% FOR THE CURRENT 2020 ROLL, BUT FALLING AS THE MARKET PRICES ARE NOW RISING RAPIDLY.

I WISH TO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND MORE IMPORTANTLY I WISH FOR EVERYONE TO BE SAFE AND HEALTHY AS WE ALL GET THROUGH THIS CRISIS TOGETHER.

**Building & Zoning Department – David Barton**

**Highway – Superintendent Richard Klotz**

**Police – Chief James Janso**

**Recreation/Buildings & Grounds – Frank Alfonso**

**Town Clerk – Wendy Rosinski**

**Tax Collection**

- Final taxes were paid to the County.
- Penalties have been turned over to Supervisor.

**Town Clerk**

- 490 compared to 2019’s 561 Transfer Station permits have been issued to date.
- Tentatively, we plan to open our office to the public on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, if our new windows are installed by then.

**Records Management**

- Our 6-year-old records were destroyed, as per our retention schedule, at the Shred-it event on August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Water & Sewer – Adam Litman**

**Water**

River water is making up 100% of daily production.

The wells are off line.

Daily production time has increased significantly throughout the last month. Shift times have been extended as much as 20Hrs. per day. We are also incorporating split shifts as needed.

We have been experiencing operational problems with electrical panels & equipment because of the increased heat, humidity and the draw on the electric grid. One of the affected facilities has been the 210 Vineyard Ave. water pump station.

Currently, the microfiltration pilot plant is running river water for the last and remaining samples that are needed.

**Road Crew**

In July, I had JTJ Tapping install a six-inch insertion valve on one of the water mains in Mayer Drive in order to isolate a section of the Hudson Hills distribution system. This work was done so that the road crew could replace a fire hydrant. The old hydrant was no longer repairable. The installation of the insertion valve greatly reduced the amount of homes and businesses that would have been affected by the water being turned off.

We made a repair to the sewer main along 9W south in front of the Self-Storage Unit. The

repair took about 14 hours. The sewer collection system in that area is transit pipe and was found to be in poor condition. This area will need additional work in the near future.

The current plan is to have this section of sewer main cleaned & videoed in order to see the extent of the repairs needed.

Sewer pump stations have required a lot of maintenance and repairs in the month of July.

Repairs have been everything from pump replacement to electrical component failure.

Maintenance involving grease control has increased.

Housekeeping: Mowing and weed whacking all water & sewer pump stations, standpipes and around the reservoirs.

#### Sewer Department

DEC performed an annual compliance inspection.

**Supervisor** – Frederick Pizzuto

## **2. OLD BUSINESS**

Mazzetti commented that he had to FOIL for information he had requested from the Supervisor. He also commented he didn't see any PPE in the building.

Supervisor pointed out what had been done.

Mazzetti stated that the governor is predicting a 33% decrease in sales tax, and courts are closed because of the pandemic. He received the supervisor's report and we are at 6 months, so we should be at approximately 58% of expenditures. Supervisor has stated that we are in the black and are in good shape, but the Supervisor's budget has spent 71% of its budget. You will need an additional \$9,500.00 in services for the raise you gave your confidential secretary. The Attorney fees are at 74% expended for the Moratorium; Buildings and Grounds is at 71%, Safety is at 98% of their budget; Central Data Processing is at 76%; part-time Police officers are at 66%. The contingency balance of \$96,000.00 is not enough to cover the fund line items that you are spending. You are entering into three contract negotiations; I don't know how you are going to pay for this. Are you planning to go into the unexpended funds?

Supervisor said they don't know at this time.

Mazzetti said there is a salary of \$16,400.00; accounting \$1,100.00; attorney fees of \$50,000; two people you put in supervisory roles of \$6,000 and \$5,200.00.

Supervisor asked who those supervisory roles were.

Mazzetti said he is not going to give names now, but he could give them in executive session. Your Supervisor's personnel services line is at \$144,450.00. You have buyouts of people taking leave time that were not budgeted for. He cautioned the Supervisor.

Supervisor and Mazzetti disagreed on the numbers.

## **3. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Proposed Waterfront Business Zone**

Auchmoody said there is a proposal to change the properties on the river to Waterfront Business Zone. It was Waterfront Business Zone about 11 years ago and somehow got changed. By putting it back to Waterfront Business Zone, it will allow the old Mariner's Harbor building to be demolished and allow the owner to start over.

Barton, Building Department Director, said there will be a map available on the Town Website showing the proposed lots. He and the Attorney will put together a local law to reestablish the zone and prepare it for the next meeting.

The use table will not change, as it allows restaurants and waterfront recreation type of businesses. They would be able to put in docks, etc. These uses are currently expired.

Sean Murphy said the biggest part of this is the allowed uses and making sure everyone is on the same page. We can introduce the local law at the next meeting, schedule a public hearing for September, then send it to the County and adjacent towns.

Mazzetti asked about the status of the PRRD zoning updates they sent back to the Planning Board for review.

Barton said he did not know. He spoke with Scott McCarthy to discuss what the committee did, and what the Town Board did, so they can try to find a middle ground with what the County wants, and still best serve the town.

Mazzetti said the plan they had put together, and they felt they had put together a good

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plan which had the town's best interest in mind, was not approved. The entire Town Board had input, as did the Planning Board, and he finds it perplexing that they can't get a super majority vote to pass the original recommended zoning changes since they all believed in the plan.

Barton said you have referred it to the planning board. You can call for a vote.

Mazzetti said let's vote on it now.

Supervisor said you can't, it has been referred to the Planning Board.

Murphy said when it comes back from the Planning Board you can vote to adopt it without any changes they may recommend.

Mazzetti asked everyone how they felt. He said he thinks the zoning amendments should be adopted as they were originally submitted.

Guerriero said he does also.

Supervisor said he wants to wait to hear from the Planning Board.

Mazzetti said then there wouldn't be a super majority.

- B.** Request for street lights by residents on Grove St.: two street lights on the existing electric poles, one between 20 and 22 Grove St and the other in front of 14 Grove Street.

Supervisor asked Murphy how to proceed with a street light request.

Auchmoody said the town doesn't pay for the installation, just the electricity. And Central Hudson needs to be contacted to ask for a survey.

Murphy suggested the Town would need to pass a resolution.

#### **4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

There was discussion on the technical difficulties with the board meeting and how to handle meetings looking forward.

Liz Weiss asked if the Berean Park project will be moving forward.

The Board told her it is on the agenda.

#### **5. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS**

- A. MOTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti, to approve minutes of the Town Board Workshop meeting July 1, 2020.

**Four ayes carried**

- B. RESOLUTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, authorizing Frank Alfonso to proceed at Berean Park Tennis/Pickleball/Basketball Court blacktop and fencing improvements to be done by Crafco, Inc. for a total of \$135,826.

**Roll Call:** Pizzuto, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye.

**Four ayes carried**

*Mazzetti said this is a large amount of money that is coming out of the recreation fund, money that is raised from a charge to developers. He asked Barton if there is any way to project the amount of money that will be coming in so Frank Alfonso, Recreation Director can plan accordingly?*

*Barton responded we do that to the best of our ability depending on what projects are being presented to the Town for approval.*

- C. RESOLUTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, to approve the following budget amendments and revised 284 Agreement.

##### HIGHWAY

Submittal of Highway 284 Agreement with additions of (G) and (H) for signatory approval of Town Board.

Amend previous budget line number of River Road from 5113.21 to the correct CHIPS Project budget line of 5112.21 in the amount of \$14,000.

5112.22 - Elting Place + \$32,111.25

5112.23 – So. Chodikee Lake Rd. + \$22,865.22

5110.40 – General Repairs CE -\$54,976.47

**Roll Call:** Pizzuto, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye.

**Four ayes carried**

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**D. RESOLUTION**, made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti, that Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that in accordance with Article 57-A: (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1), after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

**Roll Call:** Pizzuto, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Mazzetti, aye.

**Four ayes carried**

**E. RESOLUTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero,

Resolution BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Lloyd hereby establishes the following as standard workdays for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained or time sheets submitted by these								
<b>TITLE</b>	Standard	Name	SSN	Registration	Tier 1	Current Term	Record of	Not
	Work	(First and Last)	(last 4 digits)	Number	(check	Begin and End	Activities	Submitted
	Day				only if	Dates	Result	
	(Hrs/day)				member	(mm/dd/yy-		
	Min 6 hrs				is in	mm/dd/yy)		
	Max 8 hrs				Tier 1)			
<b>Elected Officials</b>								
Councilmember	6	Michael F. Guerriero				1/1/2020-12/31/2023	11.08	
Councilmember	6	Joseph Mazzetti				1/1/2020-12/31/2023	12.95	
Councilmember	6	Claire Winslow				1/1/2018-12/31/2021	5.56	
Highway Superintendent	6	Richard Klotz				1/1/2020-12/31/2023	30.71	
Councilmember	6	Leonard Auchmoody				1/1/2018-12/31/2021	17.28	
<b>Appointed Officials</b>								
Dog Control Officer	8	Andrew McKee				1/1/2020-12/31/2020	14.22	

**Four ayes carried**

\* Councilmember Winslow arrived at 5:40.

**MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, at 5:45 PM to go into executive session to discuss Tax Certiorari.

**Five ayes carried**

**MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Guerriero, at 7:05 PM to come out of executive session.

**Five ayes carried**

**MOTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Auchmoody, at 7:10 PM to adjourn.

**Five ayes carried**

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy D. Rosinski  
Town Clerk

