

# TOWN OF LLOYD TOWN BOARD

## REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 19, 2019

**Present:** Supervisor Paul Hansut  
Councilmember Leonard Auchmoody  
Councilmember Michael Guerriero  
Councilmember Joseph Mazzetti  
Councilmember Claire Winslow

**Also present:** Sean Murphy, Attorney  
Rena Rizzo, Deputy Town Clerk

**7:00 PM** – Supervisor opened meeting and Pledge of Allegiance

### **Community Pride Award**

Awards to Valedictorian, Carlie Relyea and Salutatorian, Marie Ling.

Carlie has a GPA of 102.85. She will be majoring in Biology with a minor in Psychology at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

Marie has a GPA 101.98 and will be attending Colby College in Maine where she will double major in Spanish and Psychology.

Supervisor presented to Valedictorian, Carlie Relyea and Salutatorian, Marie Ling the Community Pride Award.

The Town Board offered their congratulations.

### **1. REPORTS – Town Board Liaisons**

**Audit** –January 1 to June 30, 2019: Councilmembers Auchmoody and Mazzetti

July 1 to December 31, 2019: Councilmembers Winslow and Guerriero

**ECC /Zoning Board** – Councilmember Guerriero

Guerriero said ECC published their Lloyd Leaf.

A couple days ago he saw a bear cross from 9W and go up the stone wall of Suttons Funeral Home.

The ECC is planning a Kayak Canoe trip on Chodikee Lake North. For \$10 you will be provided a canoe or kayak and a life vest. Contact ECC, Neil Curri at 664-2100.

The Zoning Board meeting was cancelled.

**Highland Central School District** – Councilmember Mazzetti

Mazzetti thanked the Town Hall and Department Heads for the great job they did organizing the Senior High School Senior Walk and Breakfast.

On Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> the Interact club hosted the Senior Citizen Prom; the theme was A Night at the USO in honor of the late Benjamin Bragg, a World War II Veteran who passed away in November at the age of 94.

May 24<sup>th</sup> students gathered on the front lawn of the High School to honor those who lost their lives protecting our country.

Highland High School Graduation is June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Mazzetti said he especially looks forward to this year as his daughter Jenna is graduating.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> the Middle School held its Annual Spring Concert.

June 4<sup>th</sup> the Middle School held its Honor Society Induction Ceremony.

The Middle School Moving Up Ceremony is June 25<sup>th</sup> at the High School at 6:30 PM.

June 5<sup>th</sup> the Elementary School held its Spring Concert and June 24<sup>th</sup> is their Moving Up Ceremony at 6:30 PM at the High School.

**Planning Board** – Councilmember Winslow

June 27<sup>th</sup> is the first Comprehensive Plan Review Committee will have its first meeting at 6:00 PM in Town Hall before the Regular Planning Board meeting. At that meeting Committee Chair Fred Pizzuto will lay out the goals of the Committee.

There are a few small projects under review

The Views, a multi-use project on 9W is under review. The Planning Board is wrestling with the building size and design and the traffic issues. The Planning Board is closely reviewing traffic studies for all the 9W projects.

July, August and September will begin review of Auto Zone, Stewarts Shop and the Villages senior housing. Building Director, David Barton is working closely with all the applicants to insure they are ready for review of the Planning Board.

On June 24<sup>th</sup> Falcon Ridge is meeting with the Ulster County Planning Department, attending will be David Barton, DEC, NYSDOT and NYS Health Department. Will discuss the various concerns of the project.

The Dollar General is finished and open and receiving a positive welcome from the community. Landscaping still needs to be completed. The renovations on the existing building next door will start later this year.

Supervisor commented that there is a lot going on. He reminded the community that the Town Board and Planning Board are here to work for them and the only way that can happen is if they come to meetings and participate in the process in person, not on Facebook. There is a lot going on and the public needs to engage themselves.

**Police/Fire/Town Justice** – Supervisor Paul Hansut

Supervisor reminded everyone that July 27<sup>th</sup> is the Fireman's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parade. There will be a lot of road closures and parking lot closures. They feel they will have 40 fire companies in attendance. It will be a great event for Highland.

Ulster Legislator announced they will be building a new Fire Training Center in Shawangunk, it is a \$6,000,000.00 project.

Supervisor said he reached out to Assemblyman Jacobson's office concerning the condition of the State roads in the Town of Lloyd. There are many pot holes and road deterioration, and the catch basins on Vineyard Ave. have been sinking for more than a year. The Assemblyman put him in contact with Dave Corrigan from NYSDOT. DOT came and looked at what needs to be done. They also looked at the sidewalk on Vineyard Ave. along the Twaffskill Creek between VanWagner Ave. and Tillson Ave., and they were shocked at the condition of it. It's been 5 ½ years since they walked the area and nothing has happened. They said they will put us on the list. They are hoping to get the repairs done before the Fireman's parade.

**Water/Sewer/Drainage Committee** – Councilmember Auchmoody

Auchmoody reported that the WSDC meeting was spent discussing The Views and The Villages. Both engineers were present with their preliminary plan. They agreed to work together with CPL on the engineering so that both projects could coincide without conflict.

**REPORT** – Peter Bellizzi, President, Hudson Valley Rail Trail

Bellizzi thanked the Board for their donation of the tent for the Eagle Scout Ceremony on June 1<sup>st</sup>, there were over 100 guests. The trail is open from the Rail Trail and across the new bridge.

June 30<sup>th</sup> from 6 AM to 12 PM the Rail Trail will be closed from the Walkway to Tony Williams Field for Bike NY.

They are still waiting for the Engineering Design to come back for the repaving project of the original Rail Trail section.

**REPORT** – Leonard Auchmoody, Manager, Bob Shepard Highland Landing Park

Auchmoody thanked Rich Klotz, Highway Supervisor and his men for fixing a bump in the driveway at Highland Landing Park. He thanked Tom (who would not allow his last name to be mentioned) who came down to the Park last week with his pressure washer. They washed 770 feet of Riverwalk, inside the pavilion and the bulk head. It took approximately 9½ hours.

They have added a white board on the back of the power rack at the pavilion so they can write events down.

Auchmoody is currently working on a lighting project to light the Riverwalk. It will consist of 23 Bollard's and five 10ft. pole lights.

## **2. OLD BUSINESS**

**A.**

## **3. NEW BUSINESS**

**A.**

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

Heather Finn, 3 Troy Lane representing a few residents on Troy Lane. She read an email she sent to the Supervisor and Councilmember Auchmoody and Sean Winter, the Bridgeview Property Manager. She said that in November a resident of Troy Lane came to the board and complained about a tree and parking on Troy Lane and the issue was addressed. The tree was removed and NO PARKING signs installed.

The issue now is they have a playground in their cul-de-sac. There are two basketball hoops and hundreds of kids and adults playing basketball, kickball, whiffle ball and riding little motorized vehicles in the cul-de-sac. Cars are having difficulty getting in

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and out. She is concerned about the safety. She said it is a public road and the town needs to take care of it.

Susan Bloomer, 99 Sterling Road

Tara Simpson, 27 Troy Lane

Supervisor said they have had these conversations for years concerning the HOA. The Board never hears from Sunnybrook, their HOA handles any issues. A couple years ago he and Rich Klotz, Highway Superintendent went in front of the Bridgeview HOA and there were approximately 20-25 people there. They discussed the sidewalks and taking the trees down. All were in agreement. The highway went to cut the trees and the residents got very upset and stopped the men from working. It is the HOA's responsibility to monitor their community.

Auchmoody asked Sean Murphy, Town Attorney if they could pass a resolution saying No Portable Basketball Hoops in the road.

Murphy responded yes.

Supervisor asked who would enforce.

Attorney responded the Police.

Mazzetti said they need to discuss this further; they can't just pass a law for one street.

Supervisor said the Bridgeview HOA needs to take charge.

Kevin McKenna, Mayer Dr. said he and his wife are seeking to acquire a designated right of way in between a lot that they own on Mayer and a vacant lot they own on Thatcher Road.

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Town of Lloyd  
12 Church Street  
Highland, NY 12528

Dear Board Members,

We are seeking to acquire the surplus vacant piece of land 50' x 100' shown on the attached map as R.O.W. between lot #12, 64 Mayer Drive (Linda F. McKenna) 95.12-2-12 and lot # 13, 66 Mayer Drive (David Scott Ireland) 95.12-2-13. The R.O.W. also connects to our vacant piece of land # "4.4" Thatcher Road (Linda F. McKenna) 95.2-6-4.400. We are looking to add this piece to our 2.3-acre lot thereby creating a buildable flag lot connecting to Mayer Drive. I spoke with Dave Barton, Building and Zoning Department Director who was in favor of this and directed me to the Town Board for approval. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin & Linda McKenna  
8 Thatcher Road  
Highland, NY 12528  
845.240.4062



Supervisor asked if he spoke with David Barton and understands the process moving forward.

McKenna said he believes the Town owns the parcel. He has been maintaining the property for over 30 years. They would like to make it a usable piece of property and perhaps build on it.

Murphy asked how many parcels access of the private road Thatcher Road.

McKenna responded four.

Murphy said it was probably dedicated as a town road. If the Board is inclined to consider the sale of it, McKenna would have to do a Title Search to see who actually owns the parcel. They would then need a metes and bounds description and then the Town would have to declare it to be excess property that the Town doesn't need. They also need an appraisal because the Town is entitled to fair market value. These costs fall on the purchaser.

Mazzetti said if the lot #13 hears it is for sale, they may also want to buy it to keep it forever green.

Murphy said the subdivision map should be in the County Clerks office. We would need to get the dedication papers for Mayer Dr. He said the documents may be available in the Town Clerks office.

Jeff Paladino asked Winslow who is on the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee.

Winslow responded Fred Pizzuto and she does not know who else is.

Paladino asked if she knows how many members there are.

Pizzuto responded Dave Barton has that upstairs.

Winslow said she thinks they just established the committee.

Paladino said but they have set a meeting.

Winslow responded yes, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM here at Town Hall.

Paladino asked why the committee was established.

Winslow responded that the Plan needs to be reviewed every couple of years.

Fred Pizzuto said that he and four Planning Board members attended a seminar a couple of months ago and they said when towns have problems with projects going forward to go back and look at your Comp Plan. Our Comp Plan is probably 8 years old. They are not looking to redo or rewrite it, just do some housekeeping.

There are members from the Planning Board, a liaison from the Zoning Board, David Barton and a Town Board member.

Winslow said it is probably her. She said, six months ago at a Tri Board meeting it was discussed that the Comprehensive Plan needs to be reviewed. With the development on 9W, there are great concerns about the traffic.

Paladino said he encourages reviewing the Plan and asks that they get a variety of people from the community, not just members of the town's boards.

Supervisor said the last review was a little over 5 years ago and it had 9 members, including a member from the ECC, town residents, business people, and Town employees. It takes being involved in the process to understand how complicated it can be.

Mazzetti said that the corridor on 9W is starting to look like Long Island and they need to evaluate and do smart growth. We don't want changes to our landscape that we can never change back.

Pizzuto said what is going on 9W is already in process, they want to look forward with the plan.

## 5. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

**A. MOTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2019 Workshop 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 - 494 to G - 647	\$ 126,920.02
Highway	H - 268 to H - 312	\$ 146,195.19
Miscellaneous	M - 117 to M - 149	\$ 91,151.62
Prepays	P - 252 to P - 320	\$ 34,552.67
Sewer	S - 151 to S - 173	\$ 13,256.50
Water	W - 224 to W - 245	\$ 4,690.65

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

**C. RESOLUTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Mazzetti to approve the following budget amendments:

**HIGHWAY**

N. Eltings Corners Rd	5112.87	+\$150,000.00
Hawley's Corners Rd	5112.88	+\$122,704.43
Milton Road	5112.90	+\$ 16,000.00
Mackey Road	5112.91	+\$ 36,000.00
General Repairs	5110.40	-\$324,704.43

(Hawley's Corners east side of roadway and second half of project, first half was completed in 2018 and CHIPs projects for 2019, as requested by Rich Klotz, Highway Superintendent)

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

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

**WHEREAS**, the Walkway Over the Hudson is applying to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for a park project located at the Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Board; and

**WHEREAS**, as a requirement under the rules of this program, said not-for-profit corporation must obtain the "approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located";

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved by this august body that the Board of Lloyd hereby does approve and endorse the application of Walkway Over the Hudson for a grant under Title 9 of the Environmental Protection Act of 1993 for a park project known as "Lighting the Walkway" and located within this community.

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

**E. MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow to accept the resignation of Kate Jonietz effective July 5, 2019.

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

*Supervisor wished Kate the best of luck, Kate has not only been an asset to his office but to the community. She was presented with an opportunity that is too good to turn down.*

*Auchmoody said it is with a heavy heart.*

Supervisor appoints Geraldine Rhoades as Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor effective June 24<sup>th</sup>.

Kate will be training her and getting her up to speed on the ongoing projects.

**F. RESOLUTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti to authorize the supervisor to sign the "Hudson 7 Strategic Plan to Protect Hudson River Drinking Water" commitment letter for the Hudson River Estuary Grant application and agree to provide \$550.00 per year for two years for a total of \$1,100.00 as a match to the grant.

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

**G. RESOLUTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Mazzetti

**WHEREAS**, the Scenic Hudson Land Trust, Inc. (Scenic Hudson), in partnership with the John Burroughs Association (JBA) and the Town of Lloyd, is applying to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP) for funding support through the Environmental Protection Fund for the John Burroughs Black Creek Trail Project a portion of which is to develop, construct and install signage and wayfinding for the Mountainside Trail, a multi-modal

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recreational connector between the Berean Park/ Illinois Mountain and the Hudson Valley Rail Trail, a site located within the territorial jurisdiction of this Board, and to install signage and wayfinding for the water segment trail along the Black Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, as a requirement under the rules of these programs, said not-for-profit corporation must obtain the "approval/endorsement of the governing body of the municipality in which the project will be located"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lloyd unanimously passed a Resolution of Support for the John Burroughs Black Creek Trail Plan on April 19, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lloyd is the owner of the properties and/or easements necessary for implementing the John Burroughs Black Creek Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lloyd must, as a requirement under the rules of these programs, give permission to any non-profit doing work on property owned by the Town;

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Lloyd has a negotiated partnership agreement to be executed with Scenic Hudson that if upon award of Environmental Protection Funds allowing Scenic Hudson to complete such improvements as are necessary for the John Burroughs Black Creek Trail Project, including: (a) full access to the property as needed for the project, (b) sign the project agreement with OPRHP, (c) execute documents, such as a Conservation Easement, Preservation Covenant or Public Access Covenant with OPRHP, establishing long-term protections for the property, and (d) execute documents subordinating the Town's interest in the property.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that the Town of Lloyd Board hereby does approve and endorse the application of Scenic Hudson for a grant under the Environmental Protection Fund for a park project known as John Burroughs Black Creek Trail Project located within this community; and

**FURTHER**, be it resolved that, upon completion of the project, all improvements shall become property of the Town of Lloyd and said property shall be forever maintained by the Town of Lloyd as a municipal park in this community consistent with the rules promulgated by OPRHP.

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

**MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow to go in to executive session at 8:05 PM with Sean Murphy.

**Five ayes carried**

**MOTION** made by Mazzetti, seconded by Winslow to come out of executive session at 8:15 PM.

**Five ayes carried**

**RESOLUTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Winslow to issue a Water/Sewer bill credit to 30 Church St., Highland LLC due to a water line break while the building was unoccupied. The entire bill of \$13,546.68 must be paid in full. After payment has been made, a credit will be issued to the account for \$150.00 for water meter upgrade and \$5,591.25 for sewer use.

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

**MOTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Hansut to adjourn at 8:30 PM.

**Five ayes carried**

Respectfully submitted,

Rena Rizzo  
Deputy Town Clerk

