

WORK SESSION

November 19, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Present: Sup. S. Reiter; Councilmen A. Bax, M. Marra, E. Palmer & R. Winkley; Deputy Sup. G. Catlin; Town Attorney M. Dowd & M. Davis; Eng. R. Smith; Bldg. Insp. T. Masters; Chief C. Salada; Budget Officer M. Johnson; Highway Supt. D. Janese & Town Clerk C. Brandon.

Also Present: 3 press reps and 2 residents.

The Supervisor opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Winkley. A moment of silent reflection was offered.

The Supervisor announced that the Town will be collecting items for the victims of Hurricane Sandy till November 28th. Donna Garfinkel of the Clerk's office will be taking the collected items to St. Jacobi Lutheran Church in Sunset Park, Brooklyn, N.Y. on Thursday, November 29th. He asked that we all be generous for this worthy cause.

AGENDA:

Marra: Addition of a Parks & Recreation item.

Marra MOVED for approval of the Amended Agenda. Seconded by Palmer and carried 5-0.

2% TAX CAP:

Reiter: At this time, the Town Board feels that there is no need for the Town to override the 2% cap.

Bax MOVED to re-open the Public Hearing of October 22, 2012 on the 2% Cap over ride. Seconded by Marra. Carried 5-0.

Bax MOVED to adjourn the Public Hearing of October 22, 2012 on the 2% Cap over ride. Seconded by Marra and carried 5-0.

ABSTRACT:

Bax MOVED for the approval of the Regular Abstract of Claims #3961 to #4368 and recommended payment in the amount of \$572,361.09, plus a Post Audit of \$342,836.39. Seconded by Palmer and carried 5-0.

Bax MOVED for additional Post Audit payments to avoid interest charges to the following: Home Depot \$111.68; Sam's Club \$278.32 and LEAF \$455.80. Seconded by Marra and carried 5-0.

COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY CODE:

Dowd gave a brief description of this issue and the need for a public hearing.

Marra MOVED that a Public Hearing on the Wind Energy Code be held on December 10, 2012 at 5:45 p.m. Seconded by Bax and carried 5-0.

DECEMBER MEETING:

Reiter stated that at the 12/10/12 meeting a determination will be made for the Final Audit Meeting.

Brandon stated that normally it is held between Christmas and the end of the year so that final bills and encumbrances are approved.

2013 BUDGET:

Winkley MOVED to re-open the Public Hearing on the 2013 Budget that was held on November 1, 2012. Seconded by Palmer and carried 5-0.

Johnson gave a brief overview of the 2013 budget. At this time there was no need for the over ride of the 2% cap. Again, there will be no Town tax in 2013. The Town will be seeking bonding for projects for the Highway Dept. etc.

Members of the Board thanked the Budget Officer, staff and department heads for their contributions to the budget process.

Marra MOVED to adjourn the Public Hearing of November 1, 2012 on the 2013 Budget. Seconded by Bax and carried 5-0.

ADOPTION OF 2013 BUDGET:

The Clerk read the following budget totals into the record:

<u>Estimated Revenues</u>	<u>Appropriated Fund Balance</u>	<u>Amount To Be Raised By Taxes</u>	<u>Appropriations</u>
\$13,039,406	\$1,155,863	\$2,445,333	\$16,640,602

Winkley MOVED to adopt the 2013 Town of Lewiston Budget as presented. Seconded by Marra and carried 5-0.

ACADEMY PARK ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS:

Smith: We have reviewed the material bids that were received by Nussbaumer & Clarke Inc. and we recommend that the Town accept the bid submitted by Quermbach Electric Inc. in the amount of \$29,159.52.(Bid totals are on file).

Winkley MOVED to accept the recommendation of the Town Engineer and award the Academy Park Electrical Improvements Contract to Quermbach Electric Inc. in the amount of \$29,159.52. Seconded by Marra and carried 5-0.

LAND PURCHASE/COPPINS:

Dowd: Mr. J. Coppins of 711 Powell Lane is interested in purchasing green space land from the Town. We would have to determine the cost of the land. A public hearing would be needed before the Town could sell this green space area. He stated that more information is needed.

Comments and questions were asked by Reiter, Winkley and Marra on this matter.

Marra suggested that this item be **tabled** until the November 26, 2012 meeting.

SKATING RINK/ELECTRICITY:

Reiter: The skating rink will be using surplus electricity. In addition, the Town has paid off the \$57,000 owing National Grid from the surplus electricity issue. An escrow account has been set up at M & T Bank to deal with these types of issues.

Sponsors & Hirees:

Marra MOVED to hire the following individuals to serve as Supervisors and Nighttime Maintenance for the Lewiston Family Ice Rink:

Karen Torrie	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.50 p/h
Tiffany Chandler	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.00 p/h
Jeanne LePage	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.00 p/h
Daniel Clark	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.00 p/h
Seth Higgly	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.00 p/h
Michael Cuddahee	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.00 p/h
Tyler Magliazzo	Recreation Aide P/T	\$10.00 p/h

Motion Seconded by Winkley and carried 5-0.

Marra stated that a number of donations have been received for the ice rink. Among those mentioned were: Wendt's Propane is sponsoring all heating costs and rental of heating equipment (\$15,000); IBEW #237 will sponsor the installation of Electrical Upgrades at Academy Park (\$18,000 to \$20,000); Village of Lewiston \$5,000; Falls Tent will donate services and rentals (over \$5,000) and also Waste Management. To

date we have received \$17,000 in cash donations. A complete list of all donors will be read at the November 26, 2012 Board Mtg.

Johnson: A resolution is needed for the 2nd installment in the amount of \$154,000 of Greenway Funds. This can be done at the November 26, 2012 meeting.

Winkley MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Bax and carried 5-0.

Time: 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted and Transcribed by:

Carol J. Brandon
Town Clerk