

PRESENT: Roll Call: Supervisor S. Broderick; Councilmembers A. Bax (via ZOOM), W. Geiben (via ZOOM), J. Jacoby, J. Myers; Dep. Sup. W. Conrad; Bldg. Insp. T. Masters (via ZOOM); Highway Supt. Trane; Finance Director J. Agnello (via ZOOM); Atty. T. Seaman; Eng. B. Lannon (via ZOOM); Water Foreman D. Zahno (via ZOOM); WWTP Chief Opt. Ritter (via ZOOM); 2 Residents (via ZOOM) and Clerk D. Garfinkel. Meeting hosted by Jennifer Pauly of the Lower Niagara River Chamber

Supervisor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of Silent Reflection.

PUBLIC HEARING – LOCAL LAW - Extend Moratorium on Utility-Scale Energy System Installation

Clerk read Public Notice into record:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Lewiston on the 27th day of April, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, 1375 Ridge Rd., Lewiston, NY and will be available through video/teleconference. In person attendance may be limited. The meeting will be live streamed via Zoom software and the public may participate.

Said Public Hearing is regarding the adoption of a proposed Local Law entitled “A Local Law Extending a Moratorium on Utility-Scale Energy System Installations within the Town for an additional period of six-months,” an abstract of which is as follows:

The proposed Local Law would extend the time period of the Moratorium on Utility-Scale Solar for an additional six-months and would in all other respect incorporate Local Law No. 4 of the Year 2019. This additional extension is necessary because of the recent shutdowns due to COVID-19 which prevented the Town Board from being able to fully consider appropriate revisions or amendments to the Town Code relative to Utility Solar during the initial moratorium.

The complete text of said Law is on file at the Office of the Town Clerk, and is available for review by any interested person during business hours, or can be emailed upon request.

At such public hearing, all persons interested, who wish to be heard, will be heard.

Dated: April 15, 2020

Supervisor asked if anyone wished to speak – No one did.

Geiben MOVED to close the Public Hearing, Seconded by Jacoby Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes. **Carried 5 – 0.** (6:03 pm)

AGENDA APPROVAL

Additions: Broderick – Parks Dept. excess equipment; Geiben – Comment on upcoming meetings and drug collection at the Police Dept.

Jacoby MOVED to approve the Agenda as Amended, Seconded by Myers Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes. **Carried 5 – 0.**

ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW – Extend Moratorium on Utility-Scale Energy System Installation

Geiben MOVED to extend a Moratorium on Utility-Scale Energy System Installations within the Town for an additional period of six-months, Seconded by Bax Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes. **Carried 5 – 0.**

RESIDENTS STATEMENTS – No one wished to speak

DEPARTMENT HEAD STATEMENTS

Parks & Recreation Director Dashineau – Requests the following equipment be declared excess and approve the Parks Dept. to list both pieces on Auctions International: 2006 – Husqvarna 72” Zero Turn Mower and a 1990 to 1996 (year unknown) Beuthling 36” Diesel Heavy Roller.

Geiben MOVED to declare as excess 2006 – Husqvarna 72” Zero Turn Mower and the 1990-1996 (year unknown) Beuthling 36” Diesel Heavy Roller, and approve the Parks Dept. to list

both pieces on Auctions International, Seconded by Jacoby Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes. **Carried 5 – 0.**

Highway Supt. Trane - Notified Town Board that leaf pick-up will end May 15, 2020.

Broderick announced that as of May 4th, the Highway and Water Depts. will be back to 100% staffing.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES April 13, 2020 - Work Session

Bax MOVED to approve Work Session minutes of April 13, 2020, Seconded by Jacoby Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes. **Carried 5 – 0.**

AUDIT PAYMENT

Bax MOVED to approve the Regular Abstract of Claims numbered 802 to 927 and recommend payment in the amount of \$422,021.14, plus a Post-Audit of \$41,965.63, Seconded by Geiben Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes, **Carried 5 – 0.**

OLD BUSINESS None

PENDING None

NEW BUSINESS Residents / Public Correspondence - None

SUPERVISOR BRODERICK

Engineering - Award Electrical Contract - Police/Parks Building

The following eight bids were received and opened on May 22nd: M&M Electric Construction - \$48,300; Frey Electric Construction - \$51,000; Goodwin Electric Corp. - \$51,100; Industrial Power & Lighting Corp. - \$56,600; CIR Electrical Construction - \$58,215; Weydman Electric, Inc. - \$69,900; Gaines Electrical Contracting Inc. - \$82,400; O'Connell Electric Company Inc. - \$94,900.

GHD recommends awarding to M&M Electric Company, Inc., the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$48,300.

Bax MOVED to accept M&M Electric Company, Inc. bid in the amount of \$48,300 for the Electrical Contract - Police/Parks Building, Seconded by Geiben Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes, **Carried 5 – 0.**

Finance - USI Property Insurance renewal

Agnello requests Board approval to allow the Supervisor to sign the annual Town Property Insurance Policy with USI at a cost of \$178,132.58. Coverage is the same as last year. The 2020 budgeted amount is \$178,200, which makes this under budget. The policy has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney.

Geiben MOVED to approve the USI Property Insurance renewal in the amount of \$178,132.58, and authorize the Supervisor to sign the Policy, Seconded by Jacoby Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes, **Carried 5 – 0.**

Broderick thanked Agnello for the work she is doing. These are some troubled times. Agnello reached out to all department heads and every agency that receives dollars from the Town, to put them on notice to button things up. It is anticipated there will be sales tax decreases and the megawatts sold on the open market to be reduced.

COUNCILMAN BAX – Bax also appreciates Agnello's efforts

REGULAR TOWN BOARD April 27, 2020

6:00 pm

COUNCILMAN GEIBEN

Geiben asked if the Historic Preservation, Environmental Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board meetings will be done by ZOOM. Will Pauly be the one to organize them?

Broderick spoke to Chairman of Zoning - Conrad, to see how this will work. Pauly is willing to help.

Geiben spoke to Chief Previte in regards to drug collection at the Police Station. With the Department basically closed, residents need to call ahead to make arrangements for an officer to be there.

Geiben thanked all at Town Hall for the electronic communications and being able to stay up to date.

COUNCILMAN JACOBY – Jacoby will reach out to Historic Preservation Chairman Maggard to see if they will meet.

COUNCILMAN MYERS – Myers thanked all for their flexibility during this time.

RESIDENTS STATEMENTS – No one wished to speak

Jacoby MOVED to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Myers Roll Call Vote: Bax – yes; Geiben – yes; Jacoby – yes; Myers – yes; Broderick – yes, **Carried 5 – 0**. (6:23 pm)

Transcribed and respectfully submitted by:

Donna R. Garfinkel, Town Clerk