

**Town of Lincoln**  
6886 Tuttle Road, Canastota, NY 13032  
**Town Board Meeting**

**May 13,2020**

**Call to order time:** 7:01pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Members Present via Teleconference:** Supervisor Yvonne Nirelli, Councilmember Melissa During, Councilmember Jayne Black, Councilmember Doug Holdridge, Councilmember Russell Blanchard

**Member Apologies:** None

**Others in Attendance via Teleconference:** Town Clerk, Amy Becker, Planning Board, Mat Spendley, Codes Larry Cesario, Attorney Jim Stokes, Al Szablak, HWS Tony Domenicone, Chuck Ghosin, Cindy Holdridge, Dave Chorley, Bruce Burke, 315.289.5139, Samsung SM J-327V, Bob Roberts, Heidi Taylor

Supervisor Nirelli welcomed everyone tonight

**RESOLUTION #51-2020:** Councilmember Jayne Black made a motion to accept the Minutes from April 8, 2020 Meeting  
Councilmember Melissa During seconded the motion.  
Carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #52-2020:** Councilmember Melissa During made a motion to accept the April Clerk's Report  
Councilmember Jayne Black seconded the motion.  
Carried unanimously.

**Code Officer's Report:** Turned into clerk, emailed to Councilmembers on file at TOL

**Supervisor's Financials Report:**

**April Lighting District:** Beginning Balance: \$6,798.35, Disbursements: \$221.54  
Receivables: \$.11, Ending Balance: \$6,576.92

**April Court Fund:** Beginning Balance: \$4,138.00, Distributions: \$806.00, Ending  
Balance: \$3,332.00

**April Highway:** Beginning Balance: \$178,192.08, Receivables: \$2.93, Highway Savings:  
\$485,425.63, Disbursements: \$13,683.48, Ending Balance: 164,511.53

**April General Fund:** Beginning Balance: \$72,517.60, Savings: \$430,035.31,  
Disbursements: \$48,222.80, Ending Balance: \$32,849.95.

**RESOLUTION #53-2020:** Councilmember Russell Blanchard made a motion to accept the Supervisor's Report  
Councilmember Jayne Black seconded the motion.  
Carried unanimously.

**Highway Superintendent's Report:** HWS Tony Domenicone said that since being back they have cleaned the equipment and shop. They sanitize daily and have been using all safety equipment for COVID. The new employee did not show up to work, failing to meet his probationary period, so he was let go. Consensus was to hold off on replacing the lost employee. Tony had the 284 agreement for the Highway Expenditures. One is that we just spend the CHIPS money and roll the rest of the money into next year, or two we spend our CHIPS and spend 1/3 of the summer budget and purchase patch and make small repairs to the roads that will not survive next winter season. Consensus of the Board was to not replace the employee right now and to hold off on major repairs.

**RESOLUTION #54-2020:** Councilmember Doug Holdridge made a motion to accept the HWS Report  
Councilmember Russell Blanchard seconded the motion.  
Carried unanimously.

**Dog Officer's Report:** Turned in and available to view in office.

**Correspondence:** Supervisor Nirelli went over the status of NYS as when we will be opening. We are missing one aspect of being able to reopen. Madison County region is hoping to open by Friday May 15 but will probably be pushed back even further. She also has had a significant amount of calls and letters with complaints regarding Springwater Farms manure Pit between Bruce Road and Harp Road. Supervisor Nirelli has received phone calls from Senator Mays office and Assemblyman John Salka and from Brindisi's office. They asked if there is anything that the Town can to pause, stop or move this to someplace else. However, the Town has no recourse on this as this is governed by the DEC and Ag and Markets. The DEC has put a hold on this until the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. After this they will start back up with the construction. It can not be prohibited.

**New Business:**

Supervisor Nirelli says we are trying to move forward with an appraisal for the old schoolhouse/town hall. She received an email from Chris Kantak through inquire reality. He came out and evaluated the property to other commercial properties in the area. It has an assessed value at \$63,900.00 with a market values of \$64,900. Councilmember Melissa During asked to see the CMA of the property when we get it. Supervisor Nirelli will email it to all when she receives it.

**RESOLUTION #55-2020:** Councilmember Russell Blanchard made a motion to proceed with the sale of the surplus property not needed for any purpose by the Town of Lincoln at 3849 Timmerman Road, Canastota, NY 13032

Councilmember Melissa During seconded the motion.

**RECORD OF VOTE**

| MEMBER NAME                  | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Supervisor Yvonne Nirelli    | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Doug Holdridge | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Jayne Black    | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Russ Blanchard | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Melissa During | X   |     |         |        |

Carried unanimously.

Supervisor Nirelli stated the NYS is proposing a 4-phase reopening based on the business. There are criteria that they are asking for to get approval. There are reports now that children are contracting the

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COVID virus differently. As a township we cannot move forward separately from the county. The Town Clerk has still been meeting everyone by appointment and keeping regular hours. There is a draft reopening phase through Madison County based on May 8<sup>th</sup> on their website. As for our Town Meetings, we will continue with Zoom Meetings for the public and possible meeting as a Board in person with Social Distancing. Councilmember Russell Blanchard said he is ready to come back. Supervisor Nirelli stated that if we can, as a town, enable the Planning Board to resume via Zoom Meetings but continue to not allow the public into the Town Hall and to follow Madison Counties guidelines for when the Towns and Counties can open. Mat Spendley will check in with the Planning Board to see if they want to start meeting at the Town with Zoom meetings for public. If they do have a Public Hearing via zoom, then they can leave the hearing open until the next meeting so the public can email or letter in their comments and concerns. Supervisor Nirelli said there is a whole protocol for meeting in person that we will have to follow.

**RESOLUTION #56-2020:** Councilmember Russel Blanchard made a motion to allow the Planning Board to resume their monthly meetings with the protocol of the COVID-19 Social Distance criteria that we have in place.

Councilmember Doug Holdridge seconded the motion.

Carried unanimously.

Supervisor Nirelli stated that we did reopen the Highway department on May 4<sup>th</sup> with the COVID-19 Social Distancing Criteria.

Supervisor Nirelli said that April’s sales tax numbers are down from 2019 by 42%.

Supervisor Nirelli has been talking to people for the Strategic Planning Board. She is hoping that we can have more via a Zoom Meeting at the end of the month. She would like to move forward and try to have a meeting regarding the moratorium.

**Old Business:** Eastern Energy will get the contract for the Highway lighting.

**RESOLUTION #57-2020:** Councilmember Doug Holdridge made a motion to Contract with Eastern Energy for the Highway lighting, and to pay Eastern Energy in a lump sum.

Councilmember Russell Blanchard seconded the motion.

**RECORD OF VOTE**

| MEMBER NAME                  | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
|------------------------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|
| Supervisor Yvonne Nirelli    | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Doug Holdridge | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Jayne Black    | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Russ Blanchard | X   |     |         |        |
| Councilmember Melissa During | X   |     |         |        |

Carried unanimously.

Supervisor Nirelli stated that regarding the Clockville Water district, we are still waiting to hear back from the State Comptroller. The county will be calling to find out where the Comptroller is on this approval.

NYS policy updates stay in and stay home, and we will be following the County on their protocol. Please see the Madison County Website for Details.

The Town of Lincoln as a board agreed to meet at the Town Hall for the June Meeting following the COVID protocols.

Please submit any questions or concerns by email or phone to the Town of Lincoln attn Supervisor Nirelli 6886 Tuttle Road.

**RESOLUTION #58-2020:** Councilmember Russell Blanchard made a motion for payment of Claims  
Councilmember Doug Holdridge seconded the motion.  
Carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION #59-2020:** Councilmember Melissa During made a motion to adjourn the meeting with the next meeting on June 10, 2020 at 7pm via Zoom for public and attendance with the Board meeting in person  
Councilmember Russell Blanchard seconded the motion.  
Carried unanimously.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.**