

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE FOLLOWING

To amend Local Law #3-1978, Article II Operation of Vehicles, Section 11-17 One Way Streets and areas of the Village Code to read as follows:

On Ridge Street between North Fourth Street and North Fifth Street in an easterly direction

And

to amend Local Law #6-1968, Article III Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 11-39 (d) of the Village Code, Diagonal parking or angle parking is hereby directed and authorized on the following streets and at the following places:

to read as follows:

Ridge Street on the south side between North Fourth Street and North Fifth Street

And

To amend Local Law #1-1983 Section 11-42 Standing-Prohibited at all times Standing of vehicles in any of the following locations is hereby prohibited:

To read as follows:

Ridge Street, on the north side from the intersection of North Fourth Street, 875 feet to the Intersection of North Fifth Street

Laurel Shoop, representing St. Paul's Church at 400 Ridge Street addressed her concerns. Shoop stated that she was happy there would be more parking available, she had concerns that it would still not be enough to accommodate the new restaurant opening. Our parking lot now is currently used mainly for the employees across the street. Additional concerns are the parking lot being filled on Sunday before noon, and the lot being littered with broken bottles and plastic cups from loitering that occurs over night.

Police Chief Previte stated that they do patrol the area, however they can't stop everyone; It is the establishments responsibility to ensure no alcohol leaves the premise, as per New York State Liquor License.

Mayor Welch stated that she would contact the owners of the restaurants and remind them to keep a close watch on this, and also recommended to close the parking lot off to prevent these issues.

The public hearing was closed at 6:12pm

PRESENT

Mayor Welch, Trustee Gibson, Trustee Marasco, Trustee Eydt, Trustee Conde, Law Counsel Leone, Engineer Marino, Superintendent Wills, Building Inspector Candella, Recreation Leader Brendan McDermott, Treasurer Myers, Clerk Fundis, Deputy Clerk Vazquez, Fire Chief Myers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Welch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:12pm

MINUTES

A motion was made by Trustee Eydt seconded by Trustee Gibson and passed unanimously to approve the April 20, 2020 Village Board Meeting minutes and May 4, 2020 Work Session Meeting minutes.

BILLS

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Gibson and passed unanimously to approve the bills as presented by Treasurer Myers in the following amounts:

General Fund - \$154,587.30

Trust & Agency - \$5,053.28

REPORTS **Recreation Director McDermott** stated that the recreation program would be offering arts and crafts to be available for curbside pick up, as well as YouTube tutorial videos for the crafts. I will be attending the Western New York Recreation meeting on opening procedures this Thursday as well.

Building Inspector/Zoning Officer Candella stated that with construction being permitted again, residents will have to sign up with the state and get a file number as well as a pamphlet for safety guidelines for each company working on site.

LIAISON REPORTS

Trustee Conde mentioned that he had seen many unregistered vehicles throughout the village, and would give the information to Zoning Officer/Building Inspector Candella to issue notices.

Trustee Marasco inquired about Lewiston Landing and the status of the boat slip availability.

Mayor Welch stated that Jazz Festival, as well as the Art Festival, were officially canceled this year due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Our main concern at this time is to get our businesses back open. We are working on a plan to possibly allow tables to be set up outside in parking lots to adhere with social distancing regulations. We have also met with Greg Stevens to work on the plan for the bike lane along Center Street.

Superintendent Wills mentioned that the hanging baskets were being delivered, and that the cemetery had been all cleaned up already. We also had Twin City Glass come to the office to do an estimate for plexi-glass shield for the counters in the Clerk's office. The total cost was estimated at \$1,922.33.

NEW BUSINESS**330 N 5th Street – Fence Replacement**

A motion was made by Trustee Gibson seconded by Trustee Eydt and passed unanimously to approve the request made by the property owners at 330 N. 5th to replace the existing Village of Lewiston owned chain link fence with vinyl fencing.

Ridge Street – One Way Street Proposal

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Clerk Fundis polled the board, with a result of five yes votes:

Trustee Eydt – YES Trustee Conde – YES Trustee Gibson – YES

Trustee Marasco – YES Mayor Welch - YES

Lewiston Fire Co #1 Line Officer Appointment

A motion was made by Trustee Gibson seconded by Trustee Marasco and passed unanimously to appoint the following as Line Officers for the Lewiston Fire Department #1 for the year of 2020-2021:

Chief – Lester Myers
1st Assistant Chief – Jonathan Waggoner

Cadillac Cruisers Refund

A motion was made by Trustee Conde seconded by Trustee Eydt and passed unanimously to approve a refund, in the amount of, \$100.00 to Cadillac Cruisers, who have decided to cancel their summer events this year.

ZEV Grant – Lewiston Landing

A motion was made by Trustee Gibson seconded by Trustee Conde to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION REQUIRED FOR NYS DEC ZERO EMISSIONS VEHICLE INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT (ZEV) APPLICATION:

Lewiston Landing

Authorization and appropriation of Local match (20% local match) and representative to sign documents:

Whereas, the Village of Lewiston (Village) is seeking a grant for the Zero-Emissions Vehicle (ZEV) Infrastructure Grant program and intends to submit via the New York State Grants Gateway to the Department of Environmental Conservation ZEV Infrastructure grant opportunity to install a Dual Pedestal Vehicle Charge Station for public use at Lewiston Landing, and

Whereas, the Village project cost estimate for the Dual Pedestal Vehicle Charge Station is estimated to be **\$30,000**; and

Whereas, the ZEV through NYS DEC requires a 20% local match of the total project cost; and

Whereas, Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. is authorized to prepare a grant application on behalf of the Village via NYS Grants Gateway to the NYSDEC Zero-Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Grant opportunity for the installation of a Dual Pedestal Charge Station at Lewiston Landing; and

Whereas, the Mayor is required to sign the grant application on behalf of the Village as well as a Grant Agreement with the NYSDEC and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the Project if a grant is awarded;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED that the Village authorizes and appropriates a minimum of 20% local match as required by the Zero-Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Grant

program. Under this program, the local match must be at least 20% of total estimated project cost of **\$30,000**. The maximum local share appropriated subject to any changes agreed to by the Mayor shall not exceed **\$6,000** subject to receipt of a ZEV grant and available funding. The total estimated maximum grant is **\$24,000**. The Mayor may increase this local match through the use of in-kind services without further approval from the Village; and

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sign a grant application on behalf of the Village via the Grants Gateway to the NYSDEC ZEV Infrastructure Grant opportunity for a Dual Pedestal Charge Station at Lewiston Landing and that should a ZEV grant be awarded to the Village, the Mayor is authorized to execute a Grant Agreement with the NYSDEC and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the Project and to fulfill the City's obligations under the Zero-Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Grants Program through NYSDEC.

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Trustee Eydt – YES Trustee Conde – YES Trustee Gibson – YES

Trustee Marasco – YES Mayor Welch - YES

ZEV Grant – Academy Park

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Academy Park

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Whereas, the Village project cost estimate for the Dual Pedestal Vehicle Charge Station is estimated to be **\$30,000**; and

Whereas, the ZEV through NYS DEC requires a 20% local match of the total project cost; and

Whereas, Nussbaumer & Clarke, Inc. is authorized to prepare a grant application on behalf of the Village via NYS Grants Gateway to the NYSDEC Zero-Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Grant opportunity for the installation of a Dual Pedestal Charge Station in Academy Park; and

Whereas, the Mayor is required to sign the grant application on behalf of the Village as well as a Grant Agreement with the NYSDEC and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the Project if a grant is awarded;

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BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sign a grant application on behalf of the Village via the Grants Gateway to the NYSDEC ZEV Infrastructure Grant opportunity for a Dual Pedestal Charge Station in Academy Park and that should a ZEV grant be awarded to the Village, the Mayor is authorized to execute a Grant Agreement with the NYSDEC and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the Project and to fulfill the City's obligations under the Zero-Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure Grants Program through NYSDEC.

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Trustee Eydt – YES Trustee Conde – YES Trustee Gibson – YES

Trustee Marasco – YES Mayor Welch - YES

MS4 Report

A motion was made by Trustee Eydt seconded by Trustee Gibson and passed unanimously to adopt a resolution to allow the Mayor to sign and submit the 2019 Village MS4 Report to NYSDEC.

2020-21 Real Property Tax Levy

A motion was made by Trustee Eydt seconded by Trustee Conde and passed unanimously to authorize the levy of real property taxes for the year 2020-2021 Tax Warrant directing the Clerk to receive and collect: taxes in the amount of \$1,188,120.00. A re-levy of water and sewer charges in the amount of \$17,824.08 a total warrant to collect \$1,205,944.08 and to establish the tax rate at \$7.66 per thousand dollars of assessed value.

DISCUSSION

VFW request for Memorial Day Service to be held at Academy Park

A motion was made by Trustee Gibson seconded by Trustee Marasco and passed unanimously to approve the request made by the VFW to hold a Memorial Day Service on Monday, May 25, 2020 in Academy Park from 10:30am-11:30am, as per following the Governor's social distancing guidelines.

Fireworks Cancellation

A discussion ensued regarding the possibility of reinstating the July 4, 2020 fireworks display. Mayor Welch stated that Anthony Dimino offered to pay for the fireworks this year, but she did not want them in the village this year to avoid generating large crowds and jeopardizing the health and safety of our residents.

Plexi-Glass Barriers – Clerk's Office

A motion was made by Trustee Gibson seconded by Trustee Eydt and passed unanimously to approve the purchase of plexi glass shields to be placed on the counters in the Village Clerk's Office.

REPORTS

Clerk Fundis gave a report on the status of Lewiston Landing and the reception from the prior slip holders

Treasurer Myers gave a report on the water bill amounts received; that the amount of unpaid in water and sewer being sent to Niagara County to be put on the taxes is a comparable amount to what was sent last year.

Law Counselor Leone addressed that he has reached out to Charter communications and is waiting to hear back regarding working on an official agreement with the company.

Engineer Marino briefly discusses the work he is doing on grant applications and funding, and the work that will begin for stage 5 of Lewiston Landing, including a new pavilion, fish cleaning station, replacing staircases.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Village Board of Trustees Meeting is scheduled at 6pm on Monday, June 15, 2020, to be held remotely at <https://www.zoom.us/>.

The End of Year meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 6pm, to be held remotely at <https://www.zoom.us/>.

All Planning Commission, Historic Preservation Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings are postponed until after June 1, 2020.

ADJOURN A motion was made by Trustee Marasco seconded by Trustee Eydt and passed unanimously to adjourn the Village Board Meeting at 7:10pm.

Shannon Fundis
Village Clerk