

SECOND: RECORDING OF THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING.

***Meeting minutes shall be; in brief in accordance to: (TOWN LAW, SUBSECTION 30(1)).**

Unless otherwise stated by specific Councilperson, during session that; the topic of subject be directly added to the record.

On this 14th day of February, 2024. Lodi, NY 14860.

Supervisor Luke Latini called the meeting to direct order at 7:20 P.M. leading all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America, followed by a moment of silence for our service men, and woman.

OFFICIAL ROLL CALL: Town Meeting 7:23

Roll call taken by Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh and is as stated.

Those in attendance including, Supervisor Lucas Latini, Councilman Trevor Sibley, Councilman Chance Van Cleef, Councilman James Utter and Councilman Daniel Jacobsen Highway Superintendent Rick Jacot , and Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. To take the official recording of this said meeting.

In representation of Attorney at law; M. Mirras

ADGENDA AS ADDRESSED:

Additions and deletion to the agenda:

AUDIT AND APPROVE BILLS.

Motion in the first by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleef.

All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE. MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVE MINUTES OF MONTH PRRVIOUS.

PRESENTERS:

PETITIONERS: James Morby, Lodi resident address the board and ask their support of farmland protection. He asks this to protect the scenic byways that run along the 414 corridor. He states that he is opposed to the solar farm that intends to develop along that byway. Stating that approved litigation has been marked along that 18-mile strip, from Watkins Glen, until Lodi.

It was signed into law in August 2nd, 2012 and it contains all of Lodi. The two solar projects, especially the big one is 75 acres and the other one is less.

Supervisor comments: I have not heard any updates on the large solar field. I believe that there is a lot of resistance, and from my persecution. It was dropped as we have not been provided additional insights. The small field, to my understanding is proceeding forward. Asking Mr. Morby if he thinks that our community is venerable from commercial entities. This gets us into a topic that I will cover under new business, but there is an obvious growing commercial interest into our community. Traditionally around 95% of Lodi have been against or not for zoning. There are different types of zoning, that does

not have to be residential, there doesn't have to be farm zoning, but we can have functions of industrial zoning. The types of this, that you would want to have and the types of things that you don't want to have. There are mechanisms and control boards to assist with this, without having a full on committee.

Even down to getting some type of receptacle benefit. As of today, Lodi does not have zoning so if a solar farm wants to come in and stay. They can do it.

HIGHWAY REPORT: Superintendent Rick Jacot

The highway team, sanded and salted, along with plowed and cleared roadways. They have been extremely busy with down trees and wires from the wind storms. Clearing large trees that blocked roadways and hung from dangerous heights. They assisted with the cleanup of a tree that blocked and downed wires in the village and at the lake. There will be further clean up in and emergency, danger order. Larger pot holes were filled as they break loose. Chad Parsons has been using the brush cutter on the new excavator. Clearing and pushing back over growth and visual obstruction brush and trees along the roads edge. The plows are ready and maintained for the upcoming snow fall. The grade all is still under repair, the o ring of the oil pan, needs to be replaced. The equipment is waiting the delivery, to finish the repair. In addition, the manifold of the Volvo grade all is also in need of repair.

Motion in the first by: Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by: Councilman Dan Jacobsen.

All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

Per Attorney; M. Mirras. Rick Jacot is to take his Oath of Office, while he stands.

Oath of Office giving and affirmed on this 10th day of January, 2024, by Municipal Clerk: Connie Rosbaugh. Mr. Rick Jacot: Superintendent of highway. Officially under Oath.

Per Supervisor; Luke Latini, for Dan Jacobson to take his Oath of Office as he stands.

Oath of Office giving and affirmed on this 10th day of January, 2024, by Municipal Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. Mr. Dan Jacobsen: Councilman. Officially under Oath.

Oath of Office giving and affirmed on this 10th day of January, 2024 by Municipal Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. Mr. Lucas Latini: Supervisor. Officially under Oath.

Oath of Office giving and affirmed on this 10th day of January, 2024 by Attorney of Law. Mr. M. Mirras;

Municipal Clerk: Connie Rosbaugh. Officially under Oath.

TOWN CLERK: Connie Rosbaugh The Clerk doesn't have a revenues report of fees, the Town having an financial meeting on the date of December 28th, 2023. The Municipal clerk remitted a reconcile payment to the Town Supervisor, in the value of 289.00 dollars, clearing the clerk account to zero. In addition, due to the nature of serving the public at this point. Although we continue to make efforts to complete the major items of the town, such as birth, death and burial. We have suspended the Dog License Program until further update is giving.

REGISTER OF VITAL STATISTICS – Connie Rosabugh Continued birth, death and marriage license. Accessibility permits also.

TAX COLLECTION: Connie Rosbaugh

The Clerk, Tax Collector received the 2024 Tax Roll from Real Property Tax Service. On the date of December 28th, 2023.

All tax bills, as presented from the County of Seneca received the post mark of January 2nd, and a small batch including escrow on January 3rd. With the Town Hall continuing to be out of use. The collector highly suggest that taxes are paid through the mail. A strict in person payment location, will be held in a Town owned building, known as the Highway Barn. Notification of these suggestions having been sent in each tax bill, posted 4 times in the paper and are posted at the closed town hall.

Payments have started to return on this 10 day of January 2024.

Motion in the first by: Supervisor Lucas Latini. Motion in the second by; Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE:

** Supervisor request further time to establish the committees of the town.

Ag, environments, & infrastructure

Econ. Dev., Planning, & Tourism.

Building Committee:

Finance& Federal Affairs

Gov't Ops & Criminal Justice.

Water Committee.

Econ. Dev., Planning, & Tourism.

County Board & Supervisor:

Supervisor Luke Latini, gives report. Supervisor reports that he is on his third meeting at the County and learning the difference in procedure. Luke looks forward to revisiting a few challenges that we have seen as a Town, as these challenges, come up in other Committees as well. I have been discussing these with that other support members and trying to get traction for change.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

Planning Board: no person of the Board attending.

Resolutions.

Supervisor: We will not fill all of these resolutions tonight. I intend to give the Councilman some homework. This homework is to see what they want to support from a Town prospective. When we reconvene next month, we will establish committees.

***Resolution 2024-1; Rules of Procedure.** Motion in the first by Supervisor Luke Latini. Motion in the second Councilman Dan Jacobsen. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote: 4/5.

***Resolution 2024-2; Attorney.** Motion in the first by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote: 4/5

***Resolution 2024-3; Appointment of dog control. Appointing Jamie Vangalio.** Motion in the first by Councilman Dan Jacobsen. Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All member of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENTS**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote: 5/5

****Councilman James Utter Joins Meeting. 7:35.**

Oath of Office giving and affirmed on this 10th day of January, 2024, by. Municipal Clerk Connie Rosbaugh. Councilman James Utter is Officially under Oath. From appointed Councilman, to Elected Councilman.

***Resolution 2024-4; Bookkeeper. Appointing Nancy Swartwood.** Motion in the First by Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote 5/5

***Resolution 2024-5 Registrar of Vital Statistics. Appointing Connie Rosbaugh.** Motion in the first by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. Motion in the second by Councilman James Utter. All member of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote 5/5

***Resolution 2024-6 Deputy Appointments. Deputy Supervisor. Supervisor Lucas Latini, appointing Trevor Sibley.** Motion in the first by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. Motion in the second by Councilman James Utter. All Members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENT.**

***Rick Jacot Highway Superintendent, appoints Connie Rosbaugh ; Deputy Highway Superintendent.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote 4/5

***Resolution 2024-7 Financial institution. Appointing Five Star Bank of Ovid, and Community Bank of Ovid as both financial institutions. Further Resolved: Town investments can be made at other Banks and institutions, AS REVIEWED BY THE BOARD.** Motion in the first by. Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by. Councilman James Utter. All member of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITHOUT COMMENT.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote 5/5

***Resolution 2024-8 Mileage Rate; at the rate of 0.67 cents per mile. 2024 IRS standard Rate.**

Motion in the first by. Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by. Councilman James Utter. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote 5/5

***Resolution 2024-9, 01/10/2024; Official Media. Appointing Finger Lakes Times, and The Seneca County Shopper.** Motion in the first by. Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by. Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED. WITH COMMENT.** * price check ad price of FLT, and SCS.

Adopted and affirmed, 01/10/2024. Vote 5/5

***Resolution 2024-10 Highway Hourly Pay.**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024.</u>
Employee 1.	22.79	23.93
Employee 2.	20.83	21.87
Employee 3.	20.51	21.54
Employee 4.	20.16	21.17

Additional part time employees will be paid. 15.00 per hour, and part time MEO be paid 16.00. Motion in the first by. Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the second by. Councilman Chance Van Cleef. **All members of the Board IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYR, MOTION CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENTS.**

***Agreement per Attorney. Made and entered into on this day of January, 2024 Between the Town of Lodi, and The Legal Firm, Known as Midey, Mirras & Ricci, LLP, attorney of law. That said firm shall represent the Town of Lodi, and assist.**

***Rick ask to review the Highway Paper Presented to the Board.**

Supervisor answers that it was about the deputy appointments. And Cemetery as there is no one to fill the roll.

Clerk shares Training documentation with the Supervisor and The Board. One packet passed.

Supervisor speaks to the Councilman on the upcoming committee appointments. He would like each member to be in the committee of their interest and show engagement to those committees.

OLD BUSINESS: Supervisor Luke Latini updates the public, on the received box of documents. Tom Coon an affiliate of Dave Adams has brought to the Town. Luke states that from an outward appearance the documents seem to be in order, but still need further inspection. The signed change orders that had been requested are still needed for review. There has been no progress on the actions, further investigation is needed.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilman Trevor Sibley addresses the public with an update, from a firm know as T.G. Miller. Having communications with Dave Harrett, a known individual of the Town. Trevor reports that The firm is willing to help with a Request for Proposal process, and the bid process, in regards to the grading, ground work and drainage of the location of the new Town Hall. My Harrett has sent a proposed contract agreement. Trevor Sibley makes a motion, to accept the estimate of the project, received by T.G. Miller on December 29th, 2023, and authorizing the Supervisor to Sign into agreement. Motion in the second by. Councilman Dan Jacobsen. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMENT. * Clerk is to send copy of signed contract to the firm: T.G. Miller.**

Further New: Councilman Trevor Sibley, informs the Board and Public of a May 27th bike race, (40miles) that is scheduled to go through the Town of Lodi. Councilman Sibley's concern is the liability to the Town, after a law suit was presented last race. Attorney Mike Mirras adds comments, that it is in the best interest of the Town, that insurance is in place.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next regular board meeting date 02/14/2024. In person at the Lodi Fire Hall.

Motion to enter into executive session. Motion in the first by Supervisor Luke Latini. Motion in the second by Councilman Trevor Sibley. All members of the board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE, MOTION CARRIED.**

Executive session held: Start time 8:37 P.M. Ending at 9:11. Motion in the first to end session, by. Councilman Trevor Sibley. Motion in the Second by: Supervisor Luke Latini. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION CARRIED WITH-OUT COMMENTS.**

ADJOURNMENT- TIME: 9:11 P.M. Motion in the first by: Councilman Trevor Sibley Motion in the second by Councilman Chance Van Cleef. All members of the Board **IN FAVOR AND VOTING AYE: MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED WITHOUT COMMENT.**

By the order of the Lodi Town Board.

Respectfully submitted, Town Clerk Connie Rosbaugh.