

**PRESENT:** Supervisor S. Broderick; Councilmembers A. Bax, W. Geiben, J. Jacoby & R. Morreale; Dep. Sup W. Conrad; Finance Director J. Agnello; Atty. T. Seaman; 3 Residents and Dep. Clerk C. Schroeder

The Supervisor called the Special Meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of Silent Reflection.

Broderick said the only item on the agenda was the discussion on street lighting. There would be additional items added.

*AGENDA:* Additions: Broderick: Approval of Abstract, Salary of new hire; Geiben: Video equipment purchase; Seaman: Executive Session re Personnel Issue regarding a particular employee and consultation with Attorney re on-going litigation.

**Bax MOVED the agenda, as amended. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

Broderick said they would not go thru department head concerns. However, Dave Trane wanted the Board to be aware that Brian Christman was appointed as a provisional MEO III after Kevin Payne's retirement on 7/11/18. Mr. Christman passed the Promotional Civil Service test and now can be appointed MEO III, with a salary established per the union contract -- \$33.14/hour. He scored a 100 on the test. The Board expressed their congratulations.

**ABSTRACT: Morreale MOVED to approve the Regular Abstract of Claims Numbered 1719 - 1883 and recommended payment in the amount of \$407,444.62, plus a post audit of \$8,924.37. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

*STREET LIGHTS:* Morreale said they have been talking about street lights for over a year and a half. He and Tim Masters have been meeting with NYPA and National Grid to convert from Luminaries to LED lights. They, along with the Finance Director, Councilman Jacoby, Supervisor Broderick and Eng. Lannon have been crunching numbers. They had a proposal from NYPA but it was not the right fit for the Town.

Representative Marc Gschwend from National Grid was present and outlined three options for municipalities.

The first option is street lights are owned by National Grid. As new lights are installed or repaired, they are replaced with LED lights. Eventually the Town will experience a cost savings.

The second is the option to purchase. The Town goes into the business of managing street lights – owning, operating, maintaining and taking responsibility for that conversion. NYPA and NYSERDA are involved with offering incentives for municipalities to do that.

The third option offers municipalities the opportunity to purchase the net worth value of the current assets installed. At that point in time National Grid will take the onus to install new LED lights to allow the Town to reap the benefits of lower LED energy usage costs. National Grid would maintain the lights and all the risks of maintenance of those assets.

Gschwend provided a spreadsheet on the estimated annual savings to the Town. Upfront costs, based on the net worth value of the 522 street lights currently installed in the system, is \$33,679.00. In converting, there is an incentive available to the Town of \$27,190.00. That results in a total cost to the Town of \$6,489.44. The incentive is also based on the choice of LED lights.

Conversion of approx. 522 street lights would typically take 3 to 4 months for the whole process to be complete.

Town resident, Steve Lyle said it sounds like these are going to be bright white lights. Does anybody anticipate a problem with the bright lights as opposed to yellow?

Broderick said he does see a problem. You're not going to please everybody. We already had that happen on Legacy Drive. We put new lights in. Most of the people wanted the new lights and we got two complaints from people who did not want the lights. It's one of those things where you're not going to please everybody. I anticipate some issues.

**Morreale MOVED to pass a Resolution that the Town of Lewiston move forward with the National Grid Street Lighting LED Conversion Plan. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

*SALARY OF NEW HIRE:* Broderick said at the last meeting, Pat Zahno was appointed part-time Senior Services Aide. A pay rate was not established at that time.

**Broderick MOVED to establish a pay rate of \$13.18/hour for Pat Zahno, Sr. Service Aide P/T. Seconded by Geiben and carried 5-0.**

*PEG VIDEO PURCHASES:* Professor Jim Abbondanza obtained quotes for purchasing equipment associated with the PEG Project, as per the Town's Procurement Policy. Geiben said these purchases will assist with the Internship Program with NCCC. The equipment belongs to the Town of Lewiston.

**Geiben MOVED the purchase of (1) Padcaster Studio A/V Training System from Eduporium in the amount of \$1,550.00; (1) Mevo Plus Kit with Boost, Case and Stand from Amazon in the amount of \$647.00; and other necessary purchases as provided in the spreadsheet to Attorney Seaman, dated 7/8/2019. Total purchases not to exceed \$2,725.82. Seconded by Bax and carried 5-0.**

**Geiben MOVED to enter into Executive Session regarding 1) Personnel Issue involving a particular employee and 2) On-going Litigation. Seconded by Morreale and carried 5-0.** Time: 6:20 p.m.

Executive Session: Present: Broderick, Bax, Geiben, Jacoby, Morreale, Conrad, Seaman, and Agnello (Issue #1 only).

Issues Discussed:

1. On-going litigation
2. Personnel issue/possible employment status of a particular employee.

**Morreale MOVED to exit Executive Session. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

Action Taken: None

**Geiben MOVED to adjourn Special Meeting. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

Transcribed and  
Respectfully submitted by:

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