

PRESENT: Supervisor S. Broderick; Councilmembers W. Geiben, J. Jacoby, R. Morreale and J. Myers; Deputy Sup. W. Conrad; Atty. A. Bax; Finance Director J. Agnello; Bld. Insp. T. Masters; WWTP Chief Opt. J. Ritter (ZOOM); Recreation Dir. T. Smith; Police Captain Salada; Eng. R. Lannon; approximately 100 Residents, 2 Press (1 ZOOM) and Clerk D. Garfinkel

Supervisor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

SHORT-TERM RENTAL PUBLIC MEETING

Those who signed in to speak will be taken in that order and given three-minutes to speak.

Angus, William – Lower River Road – Angus asked if there was a public outcry for this, he has not heard anyone say they wanted them. Has the Board considered how the local hotels might suffer and the damage to the property value to those houses in the area?

In R-1, the R stands for Residential, not Realtor or Renter or Rich people. Angus is shocked that this is being considered. The surrounding community doesn't reflect what the Board is thinking of putting in there. These are not ordinary B&B's, these are places that take in 40 people, its more like a hotel.

When the property was bought, they had to have known the zoning. If you know what the zoning is, why would you come into the community and say we're going to open up this rental unit. To Angus it's certainly floating the law.

They have been sent a Notice of Violation, and Angus asked if a response was received, because nothing has changed there. That is not a good sign if that is what they are doing. One of the benefits of the slowness in responding is, we got through the summer to see how they will behave and how it will be, and it's not very good.

What is the Town going to do for the properties around there when the property value goes down? It is important the Board represent the people of Lewiston, and at the same time protect our assets.

Commercial developments do not belong in a R-1 District.

Foreman, Rita – Lower River Road – Foreman wonders, with not experiencing an Airbnb, would the people having an Airbnb like to have an Airbnb next to the homes they live in?

Zelnier, Scott – Lower River Road – Zelnier purchased a large home and put a lot of money into it. Having a Short-Term Rental is a detriment to real estate values. Zelnier likes Lewiston and put money into it and when you have a rental, its absentee rental. Prior speaker said many things he would.

Elia, Sarah – Lower River Road – Elia is for Airbnb's. Elia does have a second home, and there are Airbnb's in the surrounding area. They have never been a problem.

Hopkins, Harold – Lower River Road – Hopkins would respect private property rights. There seems like there could be a legitimate regulation issue, but that might not be at the Town level.

Broderick said absolutely, if they were allowed and regulated it would absolutely be at the Town level.

Agnello, Vincent – Briarwood Lane – Agnello submitted a written statement, but will highlight items for now.

Agnello has stayed at several Airbnb's and the rules are identical. Respect the neighbors, be quiet after 9 or 10 pm, host no parties and limit the number of quests. Interestingly, following those rules was basically up to me to respect and follow. The owner was never on the premises or anywhere nearby. If I violated the rules, there was nothing they could do. I can't be evicted since I paid for the rental. Owners are doing it for money. If owners are from somewhere else it is not a vital concern to them.

Unfortunately, once the Town allows Airbnb's, it can't control out-of-town buyers offering this service. Do we want to overburden our local law enforcement to be called for noisy parties, smoke issues from fire pits, illegal parking and littering?

It comes down to what is the benefit to the Town. What minimal benefit exists, all of the detriments outweigh it, decreasing our quality of life.

Agnello looked at the Town's homepage it says "With Historic character, attractive neighborhoods, working farms and scenic vistas the Town of Lewiston is an appealing location and contributes to an excellent quality of life for its residents". Lewiston quality of life will not benefit from Short-Term Rentals. These take away from rental properties.

Town of Niagara is hosting a Short-Term Rental law also. Theirs says "rental properties will not be permitted to be rented for fewer than thirty consecutive days". It prohibits them from being in Residential Zones. Their law is being driven by thinking of the quality of life of the residents in the Town.

Our community does not need Short-Term Rentals, but if they are going to exist, they must NOT be located in residential zones.

DelMonte, Francine – Lower River Road – DelMonte attended the Work Session in November expressing opposition to allowing Short-Term Rentals, like Airbnb's, in the Town. It was stressed to the Board by DelMonte that their decision on this issue will have negative repercussions and consequences long after their service on the Board is over. They have an obligation to protect the residential quality of life that draws many people to Lewiston.

From what DelMonte has read, Lewiston has a Moratorium in place banning Short-Term Rentals but fails to enforce it. Please enforce it. These types of Short-Term Rentals do not belong next to my house or anyone else's.

The Board need not look any further than the Town of Niagara to see a law put into place in January 2023. That law acknowledges the negative impacts to the health, safety and welfare to the Town and prohibits Short-Term Rental uses in Agriculture, Single Family, Single and Two-Family, Multiple Family and Cluster Overlay Districts.

Moreover New York State law permits the Town Board to put a definitive end to nonconforming uses even if they existed lawfully at the time the Code was changed.

Visitors that want this type of accommodation may look no further than the Village to access them. A Town that includes the Village, we have done our part to satisfy the need.

Communities, nationally and internationally are rising up against Short-Term Rentals. Please do not let the profit of a few be at the expense of the many.

Mattone, Dan – Lower River Road - It has been a little over a year since purchasing their property on Lower River Road. Since then, they have spent over a million dollars and hundreds of hours of time to purchase and improve the property; purchased tens of thousands of dollars of services from several local businesses and contractors.

Mattone has attended several Town meetings and discussions with many community members to discuss ideas on how the property can be utilized for the great benefit of the community. Mallone has hosted families from right here in Lewiston and others from around the world driving tens of thousands of dollars into the Lewiston economy.

In this same time, our loudest opposition has refused to work with us on any level to discuss possible resolutions to the issues. They hired a law firm to send threatening letters to Mattone, the Town and our property managers. They have harassed workers that are hired to work on the property. They have called Lewiston Police, over a dozen times, on the guests. Intentionally disrupting the quests and wasting the Polices time. As not one call resulted in any citation or legal act.

These are the facts. The Board can decide who the true nucense is to the community. Mallone asks the Town Board to implement regulations to allow responsible owners who care about being a good member of the community to operate Short-Term Rentals.

Harden, Ryan – Youngstown-Lockport Road – It seems that most people are here against one particular Airbnb.

Harden has been running a successful Airbnb for about a year. All three neighbors have Harden's cell number to call for any reason. The grass is cut, taxes are paid and do all that is asked. There have been complaints. Turned a house, that had pretty much fallen down, into a nice respectable property.

Barber, Chuck – Country Club Trail – Barber is here to support Airbnb's. Barber is an owner of one in the Town of Lewiston, lives in the Town and is a prior business owner in the Town. Barber believes strongly in the prestige and value of the area.

This allows the chance to make many enhancements to an existing property. This brings people here to take advantage of all things Lewiston has to offer. Shops, restaurants, festivals etc.

There are many apartments and rental units throughout the Village and Town, so there a lot of people who are not true property owners already.

Barber would argue that having an Airbnb renter is better than a potential long-term troublesome renter. Barber has had no negative experiences.

Rules and regulations may need to be formulated for guidance, but does support Airbnb's.

Roat, Janet – East Eddy Drive – Roat is against Airbnb's in residential areas.

Roat sited a study that was done by the Eastern Global News of the effects of Airbnb's on the character and demographics of neighborhoods. The study finds that investors in Airbnb's rental houses depletes the housing supply shutting out potential home buyers. Home buyers contribute and support the community they live in.

The noise and disruption of an Airbnb in a neighborhood impacts the quality of life and cohesiveness of the neighborhood. Residents are uncomfortable with transient strangers moving in and out of their neighborhood. They lose their sense of privacy and security.

Houses, fences, outbuildings and landscaping are not maintained due to absentee ownership. If the tourist season is cyclical the Airbnb houses are left empty for periods of time leading to the lack of maintenance and residents losing a sense of security.

It is Roat's belief the disadvantages of Airbnb's in neighborhoods grossly outweighs the advantages of having them.

Incorvaia, Amy – Escarpment Drive – Incorporvaia lives next to a home that operates a B&B/Airbnb with live in owners.

Incorvaia has documented the issues and discussed them at the Boards September meeting. It has been realized since, that being in an RD-1 Zoned District, no Short-Term Rentals are allowed. This B&B has operated for approximately three to four years. The neighbor had told Incorporvaia they had a permit but the Town has said there is none.

The business operated through the ban and was recently sent to court for violation. Throughout the many communications with the Town regarding the complaints, not one staff member mentioned this is not in the proper zoning area to be operating to begin with. In fact, each employee

spoken to was aware that this existed and was operating. During that time, it was mentioned to collect license plate numbers or try to get a receipt from a guest.

Incorvaia is not sure why it took four years to enforce, but is glad it will be addressed. The point of zoning laws is that densely populated areas, that are completely residential, should not have businesses operating within neighborhoods. The houses are close and this clearly does not work well. If a variance is ever issued, it should be with neighbor's consent.

As taxpaying residents, it is expected the existing zoning laws be enforced. This helps to maintain the quality and character of the neighborhoods.

It is hoped that when the Board votes, they remember to protect residents' interests, character and charm of the neighborhoods.

Murnyack, John – Ridge Road - Murnyack has advocated for small businesses in the Town for years, asking the Board to do something about it. Airbnb's are small businesses but that is beside the point.

Murnyack has given this a lot of thought. He would not stay in an Airbnb, not interested. The thought that his neighbors could sell their property and could turn it into one, where there would be a revolving door of people coming in at out of. Would Murnyack have to protect his property even more than he does?

We know our neighbors, their schedule etc.... be respectful to them. How do you deal with people you don't know? Renters that come to party, make loud noise, calling the cops. Murnyack doesn't want that next to his house and probably none of the Board does either.

The Board needs to decide what they are going to do. People are investing money on these homes. If the Town is going to ban them, then do so.

Gentilucci, Michelle – Chicora Drive – Gentilucci has lived off and on in Lewiston for about 35 years and always been proud of it.

Gentilucci was asked a bit ago how she felt about the taxes. Her reply was the services are worth the taxes, they are excellent. The fact that she is here to talk about Short-Term Rentals in her neighborhood is puzzling and terrifying.

When Gentilucci thinks about the house next door, about 35 feet away, having transient neighbors coming and going having parties. This would have a great negative impact on her quality of life, financial wellbeing, emotional wellbeing, safety and security in her own home.

Gentilucci asks the Board to do whatever they need to do, to stop this.

Fiore, Holly – Fiore thanked the Board for hearing everyone today. Their house is located at 5153 Lewiston Road.

Fiore personally believes that people that hate Airbnb's have never stayed in one. Fiore and her husband took an old, mold covered, long abandoned, unlivable, eyesore of a property and invested tens of thousands of dollars into it, making it not only functional but a very attractive property both inside and out.

The welcome book is about 20 pages of local businesses in Lewiston that Fiore recommends the guests visit. Many have done so.

Fiore heard by many here today and letters sent out in the mail, that Airbnb's are party houses. Fiore can assure all that the man and woman who brought their three small children to see the Falls were not there to party. Or the woman and her new husband, passing through on their honeymoon, were not there to party. The many people who stayed because of a last-minute trip to attend a funeral were not here to party.

Fiore has personally stayed in about 20 Airbnb's in the last handful of years. It is the only way she will travel. It is a way to have your family under one roof. Luxury is not affordable in a hotel with a large group.

If there is so much concern for Short-Term Rentals, there should be just as much concern for long term rentals. As someone said, they are hard to get out.

One bad apple spoils the bunch and a ban on Short-Term Rentals in the area does exactly that while completely ignoring the benefits it brings to the community. Banning them would really be jumping the gun.

Waechter, Sarah – Oakridge Lane

Broderick introduces Waechter. As the newly elected Board Member to be sworn in January 1st.

Waechter is excited to be on the Board but is here tonight as a resident. Waechter and her husband own an Airbnb/Short-Term Rental in Cayuca Lake. Cayuca Lake is located in the Town of Jerusalem which is a resort community. Waechter believes, in this area, Short-Term Rentals have existed ever since people have lived there because it is resort property.

As far as comments made tonight, there are a lot of residents that do not want them in residential area. Waechter agrees with not in residential districts. Waechter believes Short-Term Rentals should be allowed in Business and Commercial Districts.

Absentee ownership is a huge issue, burden on resources for the enforcement of the Code, affordable housing issue and corporate ownership of the properties.

The Town is only as good as your Policy. Waechter strongly suggests anything that comes forward, look at other communities and what they are doing. Adopt things the Town believes will work for our community. Draft a piece of Code Legislation with the community's input.

Brennan, Alex – North 5th Street – Brennan lives in the home and runs a Short-Term Rental out of it to supplement his income since 2017.

Brennan lived in a ski town after college and that allowed him to rent out spare rooms and afford to live in a ski town while making a living doing what he likes to do. When moving back to Lewiston, he purchased the property. Having an Airbnb allows Brennan to afford to own it, invest in it, improve it while having guests come in and benefit the local area.

Brennan does believe there should be regulations but a blanket statement/code based on one or two problem properties is a good idea.

Crystal, Taylor – South 5th Street – Crystal is co-owner of LVR – Lewiston Vacation Rentals.

Crystal is for Short-Term Rentals. Crystal has been hosting/sharing his home since 2014 in the Village of Lewiston. There are 550 reviews online, with a 4.99 rating out of 5. 40% of his guests are repeats. LVR has hit 1,000 reservations totaling 6,000 guests, with only 2 incidents.

Crystal started the Management Company to assist the homeowners in taking care of their Airbnb's. This helps to insure good communication with the guests. If there is a problem, grass cutting, garbage etc.... The staff is here to help deal with the issues as they come up. When a new property is added, LVR goes to the home, introduces themselves to the neighbors and gets to know them. When/if an issue arises LVR is there.

Cappuccilli, Abigail – Big Vista Drive – Cappuccilli has been a Real Estate Agent for 8 years.

Cappuccilli has listened to many say that this will negatively impact the property value. But it is just the opposite. When you allow people to use their homes to its full earning potential, when sold, it broadens your pool of buyers.

There are many resources. Wall Street Journal and Forbes have all said it's a good and positive impact on property value.

Cappuccilli lived in the Village of Lewiston and was a committee member that helped to write their regulations. Listening to what residents think will help to form what is needed in the Town as compared to the Village.

Cappuccilli would be willing to help with a Committee here in the Town.

Ross, Lynn – South 5th Street – Ross submitted her full statement to Clerk. Ross was born and raised in Lewiston. Her family has a decades long record of involvement in Lewiston.

In 2005, Ross purchased a home on Creek Road Extension with the idea of bringing her son to Lewiston in the summer. After many years of leaving the house empty during non-summer months, she decided to rent it out. Rental income pays property taxes and utilities.

After 5-years of long-term rental with varying degrees of problems, it was mentioned to have an Airbnb. With Ross's mother as her co-host, they started their Airbnb business in 2017. Until this year, they have heard nothing negative about the business, its operations or its effects on the community.

From what Ross can discern, the recent movement to ban Airbnb's in our community – after years of contributions to tourism, small businesses, and local family reunions – emanates from one or two loud voices who seem to want to control what their neighbors can and cannot do on their property. Neighbors on Creek Road are not among those complaining.

Short- Term Rental should be reasonably regulated. They contribute to the tax base.

Nagy, Peter – South 5th Street – The Nagy's have had a Short-Term Rental since 2017. There has been nothing but positive experiences and no complaints from any neighbors.

Guests have been from all over the world, China, France, Canada, Germany, all over the United States. The neighbors get to meet and enjoy the guests.

The Airbnb organization does have a vetting process for the guests. If they get negative reviews, they are not allowed to stay at an Airbnb. The Host also has a rating/say in the guest, as does the Host themselves.

Nagy does think there should be regulations in place.

Bergey, Carrie – Porter Center Road – Bergey has been an Airbnb host since 2017, to initially increase her income. 3 of 4 rooms are rented and she lives in the home. The house has since been made into a full house rental.

Bergey is in favor of Short-Term Rentals because of the benefits, not just for Bergey but the neighborhood too. They employ many local residents for lawn care, cleaning and take care of the property. The co-host to the Airbnb lives next store and nothing goes unnoticed.

Witryol, Amy – Lower River Road – Witryol said a lot of thoughtful comments have been made by Airbnb operators. It supports Witryol recent comments in a letter that one size doesn't fit all.

With the support of neighbors, Witryol encourages a variance recommended from Zoning Board to the Town Board to approve some of the Airbnb's where there is a benefit. Where the house is empty, run-down or a mark on the community.

Witryol is disappointed at the whole sale lack of communication from this Board about this meeting, held on Cyber Monday, between Thanksgiving and Christmas after having been studied for five months. The meeting was poorly publicized and scheduled at a not convenient time of year.

Copelin, Jena – Cayuga Island – Copelin would like to share testimonials of the many guests that her Short-Term Rental has welcomed into the community. They support local business, restaurants and the many events.

In addition to Copelin's Short-Term Rental, there are approximately a dozen others that have been successfully operating in the Town for several years without being a burden. There are not hundreds or thousands, just over ten. All demonstrating a strong contribution to the area with guest ratings that are almost perfect. Everyone is rated, the Host and the Guests.

We all hope to have a neighbor that keeps a clean and well-maintained property. Short-Term Rentals must keep a well-maintained property to be successful it is the expectation. The income will help Copelin to continue to preserve this historic, strong community asset.

Lewiston already has noise and nuisance ordinances that applies to Short-Term Rentals as well. If there is a bad Short-Term Rental it would be shut down.

Nea-sayers have cried wolf about parties and frat house mentality. There have been many allegations and claims from Copelin's neighbor that have all been false. On more than a dozen occasions Police have been called for false claims, with no violations or citations issued. The neighbor could have called Copelin or the property manager who are there every day.

Broderick thanked all for participating in the discussion.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Agenda Additions: Bax – Executive Session – consultation with the Attorney; Town Clerk Garfinkel – Main Meeting Room sound system; Morreale – WPCC Resolution

Jacoby MOVED to approve the Agenda as amended, Seconded by Myers and Carried 5 – 0.

RESIDENT STATEMENTS

Newman, Steven – Model City Road – Newman apologized for letting his emotions get the best of him at the Planning Board meeting. The storage unit being built across the street from his home, in between two residential homes, is an emotional topic.

Newman has scoured the Code and spoke to the Building Inspector and there are things that address outside storage in the Code. Before this project is approved/moves forward can there be a Public Hearing so as neighbors they can have their voices heard?

This project is not as black and white as it seems. There are a lot of concerns of those living there. The Planning Board had made their decision on Thursday on this.

Newman would much rather have an Airbnb next store than an outdoor commercial storage unit. It never occurred to Newman, when he purchased his parent's home on Model City, that he would need to look at the zoning. In the Board meeting minutes of March 14, 2011, the Town decided to adopt a Comprehensive Plan. It said that none of the districts would be changing. In Phase II, the Board adopted the update, which goes hand and hand with the original, and changed the Zoning Districts.

Newman's biggest question is, "Why did it turn to business when every single lot that was there was a residential home?"

No present Board member can answer that.

Newman said as the Code reads now, in Light Industrial – I-1, it prohibited residential use but there are homes there.

Broderick invited Newman to come to his office at any time to discuss further.

Witryol, Amy – Lower River Road - This is the first Witryol has heard that residents can come to the Board at meetings to express their opinions. Witryol requests the Board or Supervisor consider putting a letter in the Sentinel explain to people what is going on and encouraging their input.

Witryol asks if she would be permitted to make further comment at future Work Sessions and Board meetings? Broderick said absolutely, Witryol has been here before to make comments.

Murnyack, John – Ridge Road – Murnyack said if you look at the Agenda's, there is always a time for resident comments/statements.

It seems to Murnyack, if the Planning Board gets a controversial issue, their decision is to kick the can up to the Town Board.

Murnyack suggests to the Board to remember their legacy of decisions and the impact of them down the road.

Murnyack asked about Modern and totes. They were here months ago saying they will be distributed and they have not. Broderick said the Town is waiting for Modern to activate the program.

Murnyack asked if anything has moved forward with the Code. Broderick said the Town is working on it.

DEPARTMENT HEAD STATEMENTS

Town Clerk Donna Garfinkel

TOWN BOARD MEETING

November 27, 2023

30-Day Advanced Municipality Notification – Marlboro Kitchen & Bar – Ward Road

Garfinkel received a letter from SLA Solutions requesting the Town waive the 30-Day Advanced Municipality Notification for an On-Premise Liquor License.

Geiben MOVED to waive the 30-Day Advanced Municipality Notification for the Marlboro Kitchen & Bar located at 5894 Ward Road, Seconded by Jacoby and Carried 5 – 0.

Main Meeting Room Sound System

Garfinkel reached out to LAR Electronics Corp. requesting a quote for an upgrade/overhaul/new system, whichever would be needed for the Main Meeting Room.

LAR submitted a Proposal in the amount of \$3,998 is for a new amplifier, mixer and installation. The existing microphones, wiring and speakers will be checked as part of the installation.

It was suggested the system be compatible with ZOOM, cell phone participants and microphones for each Dept. Head at the table.

Jacoby MOVED to approve LAR Electronics Corp proposal of \$3,998 for a new amplifier, mixer and installation, for the Main Meeting Room, Seconded by Morreale and Carried 5 – 0.

Geiben MOVED to transfer \$4,000 from Traffic Control - A00-3310-0400-0000 to Buildings Equipment - A00-1620-0200-0000, to cover sound system equipment expenses for the Main Meeting Room, Seconded by Morreale and Carried 5 – 0.

Town Assessor Linda Johnson

Board of Assessment Review appointment

Johnson requests the reappointment of Barbara Carter to the Board of Assessment Review.

Jacoby MOVED to appoint Barbara Carter to the Board of Assessment Review for the term of October 1, 2023 - September 30, 2028, Seconded by Myers and Carried 5 – 0.

Recreation Director Tim Smith

The Town held their first skate at Niagara University and it was very successful. December 8th skate will be sponsored by Bank on Buffalo. Many activities going on through the holiday – Breakfast with Santa/Card Making/Electric Light Parade/Gingerbread making.

Broderick spoke for Senior Center Coordinator Melinda Olick. Upcoming Events – Christmas Lunch/Center closed on December 25, 26 and January 1. Newsletter available at the Town Hall.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

TOWN BOARD MEETING

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Geiben MOVED to approve Work Session Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2023, Seconded by Jacoby and Carried 5 – 0.

AUDIT PAYMENT - Councilman Geiben

Geiben MOVED to approve the Regular Abstract of Claims numbers 23-031314 thru 23-03239 and recommend payment in the amount of \$902,269.94, plus a Post Audit of \$5,934.50, Seconded by Morreale and Carried 5 – 0.

PENDING / OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - Residents / Public Correspondence - None

SUPERVISOR BRODERICK

Carry-over vacation - Court Clerks

Judges Sheeran and Gee request to carry-over remaining vacation time for Clerks Sicurella and Yacus to be used anytime in 2024.

Morreale MOVED to approve Maria Sicurella and Patricia Yacus to carry-over their remaining vacation time, to be used anytime in 2024, Seconded by Jacoby and Carried 5 – 0.

Finance Director Jacqueline Agnello - Budget Revisions

Agnello requests the following transfers:

Transfer of \$84 from Budget Officer Contractual - A00-1310-0400-0000 to Professional Report Fees - A00-1220-0401-0000, to cover required financial reporting expenses.

Transfer of \$200 from Municipal Taxes - A00-1950-0400-0000 to Buildings Equipment - A00-1620-0200-0000, to cover equipment expenses.

Transfer of \$7,000 from Police Retirement - B00-9015-0800-0000 to Police Contractual - B00-3120-0400-0000, to cover contractual expenses.

Transfer of \$4,000 to Police Hospital & Medical - B00-9060-0800-0200 from Police Retirement - B00-9015-0800-0000, to cover medical insurance expenses.

Geiben MOVED to approve the Budget Revisions, as presented, Seconded by Myers and Carried 5 – 0.

COUNCILMAN GEIBEN

Geiben would like to make a clarification regarding a Short-Term Rental written correspondence with Witryol. Geiben believes he said the only way he could vote, is if it is done by the end of the year.

COUNCILMAN JACOBY

The Ice Skating at NU was a great success and it's great to see. Smith is doing a great job.

COUNCILMAN MORREALE

Sewer Refund – Schmahl – Swann Road

Morreale MOVED to approve a sewer refund in the amount of \$82.23 for Schmahl – 1215 Swann Road, Seconded by Geiben and Carried 5 – 0.

Morreale read a Resolution for the Adoption and Implementation of Standardized Equipment at the Town of Lewiston Water Pollution Control Center.

WHEREAS, the Town of Lewiston recently completed Phase I of various Infrastructural Improvements to the Town of Lewiston Water Pollution Control Center (hereinafter referred to as “WPCC”); and

WHEREAS, Phase II of said Infrastructural Improvements is currently being designed by the Town’s Engineer in collaboration with WPCC staff; and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes, given the nature of services provided to residents by the WPCC, the necessity and value in creating a design that is both redundant and resilient in an effort to ensure that there are no interruptions to the operation of the WPCC; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this desire, the Town wishes to standardize the equipment utilized between Phases I and Phase II of said WPCC improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that standardization will result in accrued savings to the Town allowing them to maintain only one set of replacement parts and avoiding unnecessary staff training;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Lewiston Town Board:
That the WPCC is hereby authorized and directed to utilize the equipment itemized and contained within the attached list titled “Town of Lewiston Water Pollution Control Center – Standardization of Equipment” for Phase II of the infrastructural improvements currently being undertaken at the WPCC.

Morreale MOVED to approve the above Resolution, Seconded by Jacoby and Carried 5 – 0.

COUNCILMAN MYERS

Myers thanked the Highway Dept. for the Fall cleanup and putting up Christmas lights in Sanborn.

RESIDENTS STATEMENTS

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Dimino, Joeseeph – Bronson Drive – Dimino wants the Board to know that the construction vehicles for Patio Homes at Essex should be using the road made for them. Broderick said this has been addressed by Tim Masters.

Dimino asked about the totes. He has two now and if they are delivering another does he get to use all three. Broderick does believe they will pick up all.

Nagy, Peter – North 5th Street – There is a lot of speeding in the Village. How does one get a “Children at play” sign? Broderick said reach out to the Village.

Morreale MOVED to enter into Executive Session for consultation with the Attorney, Seconded by Jacoby and Carried 5 – 0.

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Discussion regarding possible law suit against the Town. No Action Taken

Geiben MOVED to adjourn the Executive Session, Seconded by Morreale and Carried 5 – 0.
(8:07 pm)

Meeting Adjourned

Transcribed and respectfully submitted by:

Donna R. Garfinkel, Town Clerk