

PRESENT: Supervisor Reiter; Councilmembers Bax, Marra, Palmer and Winkley; Deputy Sup. Catlin; WWTP Chief Oper. Lockhart; Building Inspector Masters; Highway Superintendent Janese; Sgt. Previte; Town Attorney Gabriele; Engineer Smith; Director of Finance Johnson; 8 residents; 3 Press and Clerk Donna Garfinkel

Supervisor opened Worksession at 6:10 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent reflection in memory of Barbara Taibi, wife of employee Anthony Taibi.

Supervisor asked for additions to the agenda.

Palmer requested the addition of a concern in regards to CWM; Marra – Lew-Port School regarding Parks & Recreation Dept.; Reiter – close-out accounts, Greenway accounts and Kiwanis Park.

Bax MOVED to approve agenda as amended, Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0.

Approval of Abstract

Marra MOVED to approve the Regular Abstract of Claims numbered 1484 to 1893 and recommend payment in the amount of \$390,766.09, plus a Post Audit of \$151,301.85, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 – 0.

Rifle Range Update

Palmer said Chief Salada has no problem with the Draft Facility Agreement. Salad said there is a proposed Federal Fire Arms Facility being built on the Air Base next year. It is easier and more manageable for the Lewiston Police Dept. to exclusively use the facility. A meeting is scheduled for June 16th, to discuss further.

Sgt. Previte updated the Board. There is no shooting on weekends / holidays or at night. The Highway Dept. is working on the berm and trees to help address the noise. The Range schedule is frozen for the rest of the year. It is booked until December 2010.

Reiter plans to schedule a meeting with concerned residents for at the end of June.

Adoption of Snow and Ice Contract – Niagara County

Marra MOVED to adopt and allow the Supervisor to sign the Snow and Ice Contract for Niagara County Roadways, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 – 0.

Vehicle Transfer / Water Department

The Water Department has a 1997 Ford Utility Truck no longer in use, and the Parks Dept. has expressed interest.

Bax MOVED to approve the transfer of a 1997 Ford Utility Truck – VIN #1FDHF35H4VECO3545 to the Parks Dept., Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0.

Drainage Ditch Clean-Out – Schoolhouse Road

Reiter would like to take Highway Superintendent Janese to the property to review the situation, and will report back on the 28th.

Comprehensive Plan Payment

Reiter said payment has been approved. The amount was \$500 off and Zoning Code monies need to be approved at a cost of \$9,500. The update will be done by Wendel Duchscherer.

Palmer MOVED to approve payment of an additional \$500 plus \$9,500 for the Zoning Code revisions to Wendel Duchscherer, Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0.

Resolution – Village of Lewiston Piper Law Office Grant Request

Board must submit a resolution with Grant application.

Winkley MOVED to accept the following resolution, Seconded by Bax

For Village of Lewiston’s Piper Law Office Welcome Center Project through the Host Committee Greenway

I, Carol Brandon, acting Town Clerk of The Town of Lewiston located at 1375 Ridge Road Lewiston, New York 14092, do hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Town of Lewiston held on June14, 2010, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Resolved:

That the Town of Lewiston will submit to the Niagara River Greenway Host Committee a proposal for sponsoring the Village of Lewiston’s Piper Law Office Welcome Center Project Grant funding request

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE:

- Supervisor Reiter - Yes
- Councilman Bax - Yes
- Councilman Marra - Yes
- Councilman Palmer - Yes
- Councilman Winkley - Yes

Carried 5 – 0.

Resolution – Town of Porter Recreational Master Plan Project Grant Request

Reiter said the Town of Porter did not have a sponsor for their bid for Greenway dollars for the Recreational Master Plan Project for Porter on the Lake. They have agreed to grant Town of Lewiston residents the same discounts given to the Town of Porter residents for the use of the park.

Bax MOVED to accept the following resolution, Seconded by Marra

For The Town of Porter Master Plan Project through the Host Committee Greenway

I, Carol Brandon, acting Town Clerk of The Town of Lewiston located at 1375 Ridge Road Lewiston, New York 14092, do hereby certify that the following resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Town of Lewiston held on June14, 2010, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Resolved:

That the Town of Lewiston will submit to the Niagara River Greenway Host Committee a proposal for sponsoring the Town of Porter’s Recreational Master Plan Project Grant funding request

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE:

- Supervisor Reiter - Yes
- Councilman Bax - Yes
- Councilman Marra - Yes
- Councilman Palmer - Yes

Councilman Winkley - Yes

Carried 5 – 0

Palmer said these are great examples of sharing assets and showing how communities work together for the betterment of the community.

Village of Lewiston requests 4th of July fireworks display funds

Winkley MOVED to contribute \$2,000 to the Village for 4th of July celebration, with funds coming from B 7550-0400, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

Retirement Incentive

An outline of the incentive provided to the Board. Reiter asks the Board to review and bring comments to the meeting of the 28th.

Set Hours Worked for Appointed Officials

A memo outlining the hours submitted.

Gabrielle said full-time employment has to be a minimum of 30/ hrs a week.

Winkley MOVED approval of the following: Supervisor – 6/hrs; Town Justice – 6/hrs; Town Board – 6/hrs; Town Clerk – 6/hrs; Highway Superintendent – 7/hrs; Receiver of Taxes – 8/hrs; Sr. Citizen Dir. – 6/hrs; Budget Officer – 6/hrs; Building Inspector – 6/hrs, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

Hours for Jr. Accountant, Director of Finance, Recreation Director and WPCC Administrator will be set at the meeting of the 28th once more information is collected.

Electrical Inspector

Masters interviewed several inspection companies and recommends New York Atlantic-Inland Inc. and Common Wealth Electrical Inspection Service. New York Atlantic has worked in the Town for about 20-years, and Common Wealth is a larger company with more employees.

Winkley MOVED to retain New York Atlantic Inland Inc. and Common Wealth Electrical Inspection Service as Electrical Inspectors for the remainder of 2010, Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0.

Unkept and Abandoned Properties Update

Masters distributed a list of properties to the Board at the last meeting, but enforcement has not been moving as quickly as he would like. The Building office is inundated with several building permits.

Several residents are present in regards to the property on County Club Trail. This owner has been sent violations. The owner told Mr. Masters they would grade the yard, put in windows and secure the property, but to date this has not happened. The next step is court. They will be told if it is not done within a certain amount of time, the Town will grade and charge the owner.

Reiter feels, in this case the house is unacceptable. They have had plenty of time to address this. Reiter asked Masters to be more aggressive with these complaints.

Masters reported the property on Ridge Road is being worked on, but just enough to appease the Town.

Frances “Bud” Thompson Memorial Garden – Kiwanis Park

Kiwanis Club of Lewiston is asking for Town Board approval to build a memorial garden for Frances Thompson. This will be built, maintained and paid for by the Kiwanis Club of Lewiston. Marra said Bud was an absolute gentleman, cared deeply about Lewiston and this is a fitting tribute.

Marra MOVED for approval of the Frances “Bud” Thompson Memorial Garden at Kiwanis Park, as drawn, Seconded by Winkley and Carried 5 – 0.

Appointment to Parks/Recreation Dept.

Marra MOVED to appoint the following to the Parks & Recreation Dept.: Braiden Oakley - \$8.25/hr; Jared Flock - \$8.25/hr; Frank Faso - \$8.00/hr and Jeffrey Gruarin - \$8.00/hr, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

One Lot Subdivision Approval – Swann Road – Sanoian

The Planning Board reviewed and recommends approval of the Sanoian one-lot subdivision property located at 1376 Swann Road.

Palmer MOVED to accept a Negative Declaration for Sanoian – 1367 Swann Road – SBL #88.00-1-5, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

Palmer MOVED to accept the Planning Board recommendation for approval of the subdivision as requested, Seconded by Winkley and Carried 5 – 0.

Addition to Sanborn Fire Company Roster

Winkley MOVED add Emmett Henry – 5781 Griffin Street and Thomas Belviso – 2895 Niagara Street to the Sanborn Fire Company roster, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

Close-Out Outstanding Capital Accounts

Bax MOVED to transfer and then Close-Out the following accounts: Close H-87 Drainage Improvement 2005 and transfer to SD (Drainage - pay down Bond Principal and Interest); Close H-88 Paving Improvement 2005 and transfer to BD (Highway - pay down Bond Principal and Interest); Close H-89 Water Improvements and transfer to SW (Water - pay down Bond Principal and Interest); and Close H-79 Sweethome / Wayside / Colonial Drive and transfer to SS3 (Sewer District - pay down the Bond Principal and Interest, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 – 0.

Advertise in Peach Festival Program

Reiter MOVED to authorize \$100 for an ad in the Peach Festival Program, with funds to come from B 7550-0400, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 – 0

Greenway Project Funds

Reiter MOVED the following Greenway Projects be paid from the following accounts: Kiwanis Park Playground Structure Replacement – Account H-19; Sanborn Area Historical Society Improvement – Account H-20; Sanborn “Main Street” Streetscape Improvement - Account H-21, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 – 0.

Close-Out 2009 Encumbrances’

Reiter MOVED to Close-Out Account A-1010-0400 - Chairs in the amount of \$3,600 Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0.

Reiter MOVED to Close-Out Account A-8095-04000 - Lockport Community Television in the amount of \$14,450, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

Possible CWM Funds

Palmer spoke of a letter the Board received from CWM dated May 15, 2010. The letter states that Lewiston “is being considered as a possible recipient for funds raised” at this years corporate golf tournament.

Palmer feels, with past actions taken by some of the Board members, in regards to opposing the expansion of the existing landfill, this is not appropriate.

Palmer MOVED that the Town of Lewiston not accept money from Waste Management for this purpose, Seconded by Bax and Carried 5 – 0.

Parks and Recreation and Lewiston – Porter School

Marra is pleased to report, with the help of Supervisor Reiter, Lewiston baseball and softball teams are utilizing the new baseball/softball fields at Lewiston Porter High School. Before the Pletcher Road and Washuta Park were built Lewiston was completely dependent on Lew-Port School and the Shared Service Agreements with the school.

Recently Lew-Port became dependant on Town fields, and Washuta Park has become home to boys baseball.

With the help of Lew-Port School Superintendent Christopher Roser and Asst. Superintendent Don Rappold, Reiter was able to revive Lewiston’s Shared Service Arrangement for the foreseeable future and give young ball players outstanding new diamonds without having to build new ones in the Town.

Marra thanked Reiter and Dashineau for their hard work.

Gabriele is drawing up a contract for shared services at the playing fields at Lewiston-Porter. The Board is also looking into doing the same with Niagara-Wheatfield.

Bax MOVED to enter into Executive Session to discuss two Notice of Claim and personnel, Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0. (6:40 p.m.)

Executive Session 7:15 p.m.

PRESENT: Reiter; Councilmembers Bax, Marra, Palmer and Winkley and Town Attorney Gabriele

Discussion on two Notice of Claims and a personnel issue.

Bax MOVED to exit Executive Session, Seconded by Winkley and Carried 5 – 0.

Bax MOVED to approve payment of claim to Sharon Day, car rental reimbursement, in the amount not to exceed \$237.03, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 – 0.

Bax MOVED to forwarded information on the claim for Ann Marie Destino, for tire damage reimbursement, to Attorney Gabriele for him to settle, Seconded by Palmer and Carried 5 - 0

Winkley MOVED to Adjourn, Seconded by Marra and Carried 5 – 0. (7:30 p.m.)

Minutes Transcribed and Respectfully Submitted by,

Donna Garfinkel
Deputy Town Clerk