

Official Minutes

A joint meeting of the Town and Village Boards of the Town of Lima, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 7329 East Main Street, Lima, New York, on the 19th day of April 2018 at 6 PM. Notice was published in the Sentinel.

PRESENT: Supervisor, Michael Falk
Deputy Supervisor, Dan Marcellus
Councilperson, Cathy Gardner
Councilperson, Bill Carey
Town Clerk, Jennifer Heim, CMC/RMC
Mayor, Carl Luft
Village Trustee, John Correll
Village Trustee, Jerry Warsaw
Village Trustee, John Wadach
Village Attorney, Steve Kruk

Excused: Highway Superintendent, Keith Arner
Department of Public Works, Ben Luft
Town Attorney, Jim Campbell
Councilperson, Bruce Mayer
Village Trustee, Joe Schwing

Guest(s):

Supervisor Falk called the meeting to order at 6 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ambulance Shared Service-MedEx Billing

Discussion was held about the pay-out rate for MedEx billing. MedEx is a full-service medical billing company that specializes in EMS billing. Trustee Wadach believes Honeoye Falls uses a different medical billing service than the Village of Lima does. Trustee Correll said there is more competition than ever. Mayor Luft will email or call Rick Milne, Mayor of Honeoye Falls, to determine if there is a better cost price with the company they use and report

back to the ambulance, as they handle the interface with the billing company. The Town is billed-back by the Village for half of the fees.

Constitution of Park Commission/Upgrades

Per Mayor Luft, agreement was reached to disband the Park Commission at the last joint meeting. Councilperson Marcellus indicated the park meetings became very inefficient with no documentation to let residents know what is happening at the park. John Correll agreed and said it is the same people volunteering at the park. Village Attorney Kruk said he and Town Attorney Campbell will draft a definition of a Park Commissioner and have a member from each board overlook the park.

Next topic was a new playground that revolves around a matching grant. John Correll handed out a design prepared by Bears Playground Safety Inspector, Trey Socash. In the design a quote of \$54,313.23 was given with the following included: 5' arched frame steel swing, 4 belt swings, mount mckinley (rope ladder attached to a rock), tree tunnel, 4 ADA (Americans with Disabilities) picnic tables, freight fees and installation costs. Members discussed at length and disagreed on some things – such as the type of play equipment and costs of some items listed, such as the tree tunnel \$3499 and mulch \$4,000.

Supervisor Falk suggested members stop at Bears to look at the equipment.

Members then discussed how to prioritize maintenance and improvement projects needed at Mark Tubbs Park. Items discussed were:

- pavilion roof
- handicap assessable bathroom & picnic tables
- repair and repave trail
- repave the basketball court
- drainage for the fields and areas of the paved walking trail
- parking lot repair
- parking lot entrance beautification
- new playground

Members made a list of immediate items to be covered by the grant, as the deadline for grant applications is in June per Trustee Correll. Items mentioned and agreed by all members are: Trail work, drainage, parking lot entrance beautification and ADA picnic tables.

After much discussion, it was agreed:

Councilperson Gardner will reach out to Andy Britton, Landscape Architect, for design advice at the entrance way of the park, Supervisor Falk will reach out to CPL (Clark Patterson Lee) for drainage quotes and Highway Superintendent Arner and Department of Public Works, Ben Luft will look at the parking lot for an estimate.

A splash pad was mentioned. Mayor Luft asked who was going to pay for water usage and costs and stated the current infrastructure cannot handle a splash pad. Members discussed whether the water would be chlorinated and if so said water couldn't be recycled in the creeks, per Department of Environmental Conservation regulations. Said splash pad is not favorable at this time. More information is needed.

Addendum to Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Station Site Host Agreement

Attorney James Campbell made changes to said Agreement. The Addendum shall be attached to the Agreement as Attachment "B" and shall be incorporated therein by reference. After discussion of changes members discussed construction of the charging station at Town Hall. Trustee Wadach will convene a meeting with contractors, Village and Town officials prior to commencement of any electrical installation. The Town will have the refuse corral removed.

Per Trustee Wadach changes were also made to the vendor's scope of work, eliminating work that will be completed by Town & Village employees. After discussion a motion was made by Councilperson Gardner for Supervisor Falk to sign the Agreement, seconded by Councilperson Marcellus, the vote went as follows:

CARRIED Ayes: 5 Falk, Marcellus, Gardner, Mayer, Carey
Nays: 0

On motion by Trustee Wadach, also to sign the above Agreement, for Village Board approval, seconded by Trustee Correll, the vote went as follows:

CARRIED Ayes: 4 Luft, Correll, Wadach, Warsaw
Nays: 0

Village Attorney Kruk will be in touch with Mayor Luft and Trustee Wadach after submitting the Agreement and let them know of any feedback he receives.

Trustee Wadach said it will be about a month before getting the electric vehicle charging station.

Supervisor Falk mentioned signs, showing where the charging station is located, will need to be placed in front of Town Hall where they are clearly visible. Trustee Wadach said they will take care of the signs and all installation expenses.

Resolution # 4 - City of Rochester District #2 Agreement

Attorney Campbell prepared an agreement with the Town of Lima and City of Rochester. The Town and Village of Lima purchases water from the City of Rochester for the benefit of its Town of Lima water customers within the Town of Lima Water District No. 2. It is now resolved that the Town Supervisor and Attorney for the Town are hereby authorized to begin negotiations with the City of Rochester concerning the terms and provisions of such Water Supply Agreement. On a motion by Councilperson Gardner to accept the Agreement as prepared by Attorney Campbell, seconded by Councilperson Carey, the vote went as follows:

CARRIED Ayes: 5 Falk, Marcellus, Gardner, Mayer, Carey
Nays: 0

Mayor Luft stated the Village of Lima signed a 25 year contract with the City of Rochester Water and mentioned rates have increased, forcing them to increase Village water rates to residents.

The Village also passed the same Resolution by motion from Trustee Wadach, seconded by Trustee Correll, the vote went as follows:

CARRIED Ayes: 4 Luft, Correll, Wadach, Warsaw
Nays: 0

Fourth of July Celebration

Supervisor Falk mentioned every year the Town and Village split costs to have a fireworks display and that the Village is the lead organization of this event. Supervisor Falk indicated this event needs more publication to draw people in. Councilperson Gardner mentioned said event was mentioned in the Village & Town Newsletters. Falk also mentioned the VFW will be selling food and would like enhanced advertising to get a complete picture of what the event is. Supervisor Falk will put together a press release and send same out to Board members for comment. Councilperson Marcellus he gets residents each year asking what time the display is held. Mayor Luft said it is 9:45PM each year rain or shine. Councilperson Gardner mentioned advertising on the calendar

listings to local media, Livingston County News, Penny Saver and type the information on online that should give people notice of the event.

Summer Recreation

Discussion was held about summer recreation and the cost per camper that the Village and Town are responsible for. Village members indicated they budget \$6,000 a year for this program but are getting more campers and going over budget by \$1200 (\$7200). Mayor Luft indicated they may create a policy with a set fee per year and once the money is gone it is gone or each camper gets the same amount. Members felt the kids needing the money to attend summer recreation should get it. Mayor Luft asked if it was worth it for taxpayers to pay for a program of “glorified babysitting” or start cutting down the amount paid by the Village and increase the amount to the parents. Luft mentioned they have summer recreation budgeted for this year but will look to pay \$100 per campers thereafter.

Councilperson Gardner expressed concern that some families can well afford the cost of the summer recreation program while others in the community struggle to pay property taxes, and therefore, she felt that value of the program subsidy needs to be evaluated in this context. She further expressed support for continuing a subsidy for those with financial need. She also said the Town has held the line and not increased the amount budgeted even after the school has been “a little aggressive” with increasing costs. She does believe that the program is good.

Trustee Correll agreed with Councilperson Gardner. He also mentioned coming up with a plan of “3 year unwinding” saying next year the Village will pay \$150, the following year will be \$100, etc. until the Village is no longer paying for this program. He did mention they should keep the subsidized piece of it so that kids can have a structured, educated and safe place to go and get something to eat.

Trustee Wadach stated it is difficult to budget when you don't know how many campers will register each year. He then agreed with Mayor Luft saying leave the budgeted amount this year but then set a certain amount, with the full subsidized students to first receive money for camp, half subsidized students next and whatever money is left becomes a first come first serve basis. Mayor Luft added- if it is a first come first serve basis, and parents

know this, they will sign up, giving the Village an idea of how many campers are registered.

Supervisor Falk said there should be certain sign-up date and whatever money is left can be divided up for those who sign up late.

Trustee Correll asked why the Town and Village were subsidizing the program at all. Councilperson Gardner said she believed that was the history and Mayor Luft said historically the Town and Village have provided an avenue of structured play for the kids and parents expect it. He believes if the program is taken away he fears there will be repercussion of not giving back enough of the taxpayers' dollars to the community.

Members agreed to have a gradual phase down and those who don't need the money eventually will have to pick up the cost OR to have a set price and when the funds are gone they are gone. Supervisor Falk will get numbers from neighboring towns/ participating communities when enrollment numbers and total costs for the 2018 program are available and bring this information to the next joint meeting.

Email Addresses

All Town & Village employees should be using a work email address. Councilperson Marcellus will send out an email with a spreadsheet to get employee information.

Upon Motion by Mayor Luft to adjourn at 8:10 P.M., seconded by Councilperson Carey, the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Jennifer Heim, CMC/RMC