

JOINT VILLAGE/TOWN MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2020

Deputy Mayor: Jerry Warsaw

Trustees: John Wadach, John Correll

Supervisor: Mike Falk

Council Persons: Leta Button, Jon Belec, Bill Carey, Bruce Mayer

Recording Secretary: Linda Banfield

Guests: Keith Arner, John Skiptunas, Cathy VanHorn

Meeting opened at 6:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

The 2020 Water Agreement between the Town and Village of Lima was presented to the Boards. The Town's portion of the water utilities and water projects (supply line and Water Tank rehab) will be 14.3%.

MOTION

Motion made by Bruce Mayer seconded by Bill Carey to approve the 2020 water agreement. Motion unanimously approved.

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Motion made by John Correll, seconded by John Wadach to approve the 2020 water agreement. Motion unanimously approved.

Discussion was held on pesticide use and ballpark lawn maintenance. The Village will monitor the lawn treatment with the Town's approval. An amendment will be added to the contract between HFL-M Baseball and the Town and Village stating that the Village and Town of Lima will be responsible for the application of all lawn chemicals and that HFL-M Baseball will be prohibited from applying or hiring a contractor to apply lawn chemicals anywhere in the Mark Tubbs Memorial Park. The village will hire the contractor (s) and the cost will be billed to HFL-M Baseball. Attorney Kruk will be asked to draft the new contract.

Supervisor Falk discussed the fact that no park grants were awarded in Livingston County this year. Past Councilperson, Cathy Gardner, has donated \$32,000.00 for the installation of a dog park. Discussion was held on whether it would be advantageous to hold onto the money and hope that a grant could be obtained next year which would potentially double the amount of funds available. The Boards are not in favor of waiting and would like to follow the wishes of Ms. Gardner by moving forward with this project.

Trustee Wadach discussed ideas for the beautification of Tubbs Park parking lot. Adding islands in the parking lot to break up the concrete area, with small trees or shrubbery would be a start. The use of the Town/Village crew would keep the costs down. Superintendent Arner stated that the concrete barriers could be removed and 8x8 posts could be installed to prevent unwanted driving over a certain location. He added that the posts could be surrounded by blacktop and then no maintenance would be needed. Trustee Wadach will talk to landscape architect Andy Britton to get something started. Board was in favor of adding horseshoe pits to an area east of the pavilion. Several picnic tables in the pavilion will be replaced with handicap accessible tables. The Town/Village park liaisons will get pricing on the tables.

Supervisor Falk explained that the Historical Society is restricted in what monies received from the Town or Village can be spent on. It is legal for the municipalities to provide for improvements or repairs to the building or for utilities, parking lot etc. The municipalities cannot provide for computers, software, displays etc. The Historical Society has use of the building for as long as it is wanted but if it vacates the premises then the building reverts back to the former Genesee Wesleyan College which was acquired by Syracuse University.

Cathy Van Horn described the "Little Library Project" which is being sponsored by the Friends of the Library. They have looked at plans and have a volunteer to build the structure. Boards are in favor of a downtown location for accessibility. Some suggestions include outside the Town Hall, or on the village green next door, court house or one of the pocket parks. Deputy Mayor Warsaw asked Cathy for the committee to come up with a few ideas for downtown locations. The process is to bring in a book you are done reading and exchange it for another book. If the structure is not maintained then it will be taken down.

Ms. Van Horn also described the NYS Citizen Preparedness Corps. The NY Citizen Preparedness Training Program teaches residents to have the tools and resources to prepare for any type of disaster, respond accordingly and recover as quickly as possible to pre-disaster conditions. Each family that attends will receive one (1) Preparedness kit. The program will take place on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 6:30 pm at the Lima Volunteer Ambulance, 7024 West Main Street Lima. There must be at least fifty (50) registered participants. This notice will be on the Web page and social media, flyers distributed, and word of mouth to publicize this event.

Supervisor Falk gave an update on the asbestos removal project. Tiles in the front foyer will be removed and the storage closet will be emptied. Census forms will be arriving in about a month and it is important to respond.

John Skiptunas informed the Boards that he is holding an event on water conservation, “Drips and Flushes” on April 23rd from 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Basement.

7:40 pm MOTION TO ADJOURN