

July 11, 2012

A regular monthly meeting of the Lockport Town Board was conducted at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at the Town Hall, 6560 Dysinger Road, Lockport, New York.

Present were: Supervisor: Marc R. Smith

Town Council members: Cheryl A. Antkowiak
Paul H. Pettit
Mark C. Crocker
Paul W. Siejak

Also present: Nancy A. Brooks, Town Clerk, Daniel E. Seaman, Town Attorney.

The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Smith as follows:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT – No one spoke.

BUSINESS MEETING:

1. Approval of Minutes

MOTION (2012-119): to approve the minutes of Lockport Town Board meetings of 06/04/12, 06/06/12, 06/20/12 and 07/02/12, was made by Council member Pettit and seconded by Council member Antkowiak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES - 5, NAYS - 0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Pettit, Crocker, Siejak and Smith.

2. Approval of Payment of Bills

MOTION (2012-120): to approve the payment of bills for the month of July was made by Council member Siejak and seconded by Council member Crocker. The motion was CARRIED: AYES - 5, NAYS - 0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Pettit, Crocker, Siejak and Smith.

The bills for the month of July 2012 include Vouchers #26908 – 27166 in the amount of \$1,000,766.76.

3. Communications

The Town Clerk read the name of Jennifer Sylvies, a candidate for the volunteer fire service in the Rapids Fire Company.

MOTION (2012-121): to approve Jennifer Sylvies for volunteer fire service in the Town of Lockport was made by Council member Pettit and seconded by Council member Antkowiak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES - 5, NAYS - 0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Pettit, Crocker, Siejak and Smith.

4. Building Inspector's Report

The Supervisor read the report covering the period for June 2012, which listed the total number of building permits issued as 76; the total of fees collected was \$14,143.00; and the estimated cost of construction was \$2,960,147.00.

5. Approval of Supervisor's Monthly Financial Report

MOTION (2012-122): to approve the Supervisor's Monthly Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2012, was made by Council member Crocker and seconded by Council member Siejak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES - 5, NAYS - 0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Pettit, Crocker, Siejak and Smith.

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6. Resolution to Award Contract for Carlisle Gardens Sidewalk Work

MOTION (2012-123): to award the contract, subject to the Town Attorney's review and approval, to the Solid Ground Concrete Co. of Newfane, New York, for work on the sidewalks in Carlisle Gardens, in an amount not to exceed \$33,320.00, was made by Council member Siejak and seconded by Council member Antkowiak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES - 5, NAYS - 0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Pettit, Crocker, Siejak and Smith.

7. Town Board Comments

Councilman Crocker welcomed those in attendance.

Councilman Pettit – had no comments.

Councilman Siejak reported that the NYSDOT will commence the milling and paving of Transit Road (from the Lockport City line to the Erie County line) starting the week of July 15th. The work should take about one month to complete.

Councilman Siejak also reported that the Town has recycled 14,309 lbs of goods and that there is a new recycling website for Town residents registered in the "Think Green Recycling Awards Program. The new company, Recyclebank, is in the process of transferring all the Town of Lockport accounts over from the Waste Management recycling awards program. The new website should be up and running in the near future and should offer many new vendors for Town residents to take advantage of with the points earned in the recycling program.

Lastly, Councilman Siejak reported that the NYS Land Conservancy Garden Tour of the Lytle Nature Preserve on July 8th was very well received. He thanked Ken Horvath and the Land Conservancy for all the time and effort they put into making the event a success.

Councilwoman Antkowiak reported that the Town's summer newsletter is out and that information on several activities is included. She provided an update on several items as follows:

Free Computer Classes at Town Hall – the next free class will be held on July 26th from noon – 4:00 p.m. Anyone interested should contact the Lockport Public Library.

Free Movie Nights – the first one was held on June 30th and was very successful. The next movie night is scheduled for August 4th and will feature the Lockport Community Band followed by the showing of "Happy Feet 2".

Day Road Park Craft Program – the classes offered are for varied children's age groups. They are scheduled for August 7-23rd. Anyone interested in attending can contact the Town Clerk's office for more information.

7th Annual Community Day – will be held at the Town Hall on Sunday, July 22, 2012 from 1-4:00 p.m. There will be many things for residents to enjoy including the Lockport Community Band, fire company trucks and personnel, as well as refreshments.

Youth Golf Lessons – Lessons have started but anyone who would like to participate can still contact Gothic Hill Golf Course,

Recycling Awards Program – As mentioned earlier in the meeting, the Councilwoman reported that the Town has a new company handling the recycling awards program. There will be a transition period while the new company transfers all the accounts but if anyone has difficulty getting on to the new website, they can phone 1-800-333-6590 for assistance.

Letter from the Outstanding Youth Award Recipient – the Councilwoman read a letter of thanks received from Jenna LaRose, the 2012 recipient of the Outstanding Youth Award.

8. Supervisor's Comments

The Supervisor commented on the following topics:

Day Road Park Restrooms – The Supervisor thanked the Town Highway and Water/Sewer Departments for all the hard work done on the restrooms which should be completed by Friday, July 13th.

Parking Lot on East High Street – the Supervisor reported that the Town intends to add a small parking lot in the southwest region near the practice soccer fields as well as the creation of a new south west trail in the park, sometime in 2013. The reasoning behind the new parking area is to prevent people from parking along side the road and to help get them into the park away from traffic on the street.

Sidewalks along Robinson Road - The Supervisor and Mr. Rob Klavoon of Wendel Engineering met with the NYSDOT with regard to the construction of additional sidewalk along Robinson Road (from Center Street at the entrance to the Village Mobil Home Park to Transit Road). The Supervisor stated that the DOT seemed very positive about adding that to their work list in the future. The Town will need to send a letter of request for the additional work.

Lytle Nature Preserve Park – Later this fall, there will be work done to create a parking area and a new entrance trail on the south east corner of the property as well as a boardwalk to go over the wet lands. Additionally, there will be an Eagle Scout project going on to establish a woods trail and a buffer to the east property boundary line. He thanked everyone involved in helping to create and improve the parks.

9. Adjournment

MOTION (2012-124): to adjourn was made by Council member Pettit and seconded by Council member Antkowiak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES - 5, NAYS - 0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Pettit, Crocker, Siejak and Smith.

The meeting was ended at 7:41 p.m. The Lockport Town Board will next meet at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 25, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Brooks, RMC, CMC
Lockport Town Clerk