

August 5, 2013

A regularly scheduled work session of the Lockport Town Board was conducted at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, August 5, 2013, at the Town Hall, 6560 Dysinger Road, Lockport, New York.

Present were: Supervisor: Marc R. Smith

Town Council members: Cheryl A. Antkowiak
Paul W. Siejak
Mark C. Crocker
Patricia Dufour

Also present: Nancy A. Brooks, Town Clerk, Michael J. Norris, Town Attorney and Robert Klavoon of Audubon Engineering.

Supervisor Smith welcomed all those present and called the meeting to order as follows:

1. **Town Clerk** – nothing to report.
2. **Town Attorney**
 - a) 6804 Erica Lane – Mr. Norris reported that Niagara County had forwarded and transferred title of the property over to the Town of Lockport. Brian Belson, Senior Building Inspector will be asked to inspect the premises and to provide a status report on the condition of the property.
 - b) John Austin Nature Park Trailways RFP – The specifications for the trailways have been sent out as an RFP and are due back to the Town Supervisor by August 13th.
 - c) Highway Tractor Bid – bid specifications are available and are scheduled for bid opening at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 15, 2013.

3. **Engineer**

Contract #13-3 Change Order

Mr. Klavoon requested authorization for an additional Change Order to Contract #13-3 stating that additional items including a security button to be located in the Supervisor's office would add the cost of \$747.00 to the contract.

MOTION (2013-158) to authorize Change Order #2 to Contract #13-3 in the amount of \$747.00 was made by Council Member Crocker and seconded by Council Member Dufour. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-5, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Siejak, Crocker, Dufour and Smith.

Transit Road Sewer Repair Update

Mr. Klavoon distributed a timed pictorial of the extent of damage done in the sewer collapse which is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Robinson Road and Transit Road. He stated that when they opened the hole they realized that they would require additional help and Pipe Eye Sewer Services which was working on another Town of Lockport project, along with the Town of Newfane, were both called in to assist. A bypass pump was rented but by the 29th of July, a huge sink hole had developed and Mark Cerrone, a contractor also working on another Town of Lockport project was called in with their large equipment to help with the repairs which have become major. The area is of major concern as it was an 18" sewer line that collapsed; there is a 30" water line in the immediate area as well as two 6" gas lines. He stated that there is no current estimate on the cost of repairs but added that David Miller, Town Highway Superintendent, is helping to keep some of the costs down by bringing in the stone.

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4. Town Board Comments

Councilman Siejak reported on a meeting with the E.P.A. regarding an update on toxic sediments in the water flow of 18 Mile Creek as it relates to the Town of Lockport. The EPA stated that levels of contaminants such as PCBs and lead have been detected in the water. The EPA will conduct a Public Hearing on the matter on August 13, 2013 at the Niagara County Cooperative Extension. They will keep the Town informed of any action or determinations.

Councilwoman Dufour reminded the Town Board that Niagara Co. Legislator, Rick Updegrave in conjunction with the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District will conduct a household hazardous waste disposal pickup at the Lockport Town Garage on Saturday, August 17, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The pickup will be by appointment only. Electronics recycling will also be taken on that day. Residents can contact Councilman Crocker or Dawn Timm at the Niagara Co. Refuse Disposal District office for appointments.

The Councilwoman also presented information regarding the bleachers sought for Day Road Park Soccer fields, stating that two quotations were received. The quotes received were from: a) Parkitects in the amount of \$10,401.00 and b) Belson Outdoors in the amount of \$7,262.50. This item will be placed on the August 7, 2013 Agenda for Town Board action.

Councilman Crocker reported that neighbor's in the area near Scappelliti's on Rt. 31 have complained of truck traffic causing a traffic hazard. He has spoken with the owners of Scappelliti's and they agree that a "No Parking" sign along Route 31 would improve the traffic conditions in the immediate area. Supervisor Smith stated that the NYSDOT Highway office should be contacted as Route 31 is a State highway.

Additionally, residents along East High Street have requested that a street light be installed in Day Road Park's new parking lot on East High Street. Supervisor Smith agreed and this will be done as it was in the other parking lot along Day Road.

Councilwoman Antkowiak announced that the Town Movie Night at Day Road Park on August 3rd went very well. Additional power is still needed at the park for such events. She will discuss the power issue with David Miller, Town Highway Superintendent.

Fall Health Fair – the Recreation Committee will participate by assisting to publicize the event which will be sponsored by the Dale Association and the Niagara Co. Office of the Aging.

5. Supervisor's Comments

State Trooper's Building Improvements – Supervisor Smith stated he had received quotations on replacement carpet for 5 rooms at the Trooper's building. The low quote was received from Carpet Collection and he requested Town Board approval for the purchase.

MOTION (2013-159) to authorize the purchase of carpeting for the NYS Trooper's barracks from Carpet Collection in the amount of \$3,220.00 was made by Council Member Antkowiak and seconded by Council Member Crocker. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-5, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Siejak, Crocker, Dufour and Smith.

Stone Road Closing – the Supervisor announced that Niagara County Highway Dept. has announced that the westbound lane of Stone Road will be closed from July 29 until sometime in November.

Director of Operations – it was with great pleasure that Supervisor Smith announced that the NYS Legislature had finally approved the position of Director of Operations for the Town of Lockport. The gentleman desired for the position can begin work the Tuesday following Labor Day should the Town Board choose to make the appointment.

MOTION (2013-160) to hire Mr. Daniel Dodge as the Town of Lockport Director of Operations at an annual salary of \$58,000.00 was made by Council Member Siejak and seconded by Council Member Dufour. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-5, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Siejak, Crocker, Dufour and Smith.

6. Executive Session Entered

MOTION (2013-161) to enter Executive Session for the purpose of consulting with the Town Attorney was made by Council Member Crocker and seconded by Council Member Antkowiak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-5, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Siejak, Crocker, Dufour and Smith.

The Town Board entered Executive Session at 1:24 p.m.

7. Executive Session Ended and Work Session Reconvened

MOTION (2013-162) to exit Executive Session and to reconvene the work session was made by Council Member Dufour and seconded by Council Member Crocker. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-5, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Siejak, Crocker, Dufour and Smith.

The work session was reconvened at 2:04 p.m. with no Town Board action taken during Executive Session.

8. Adjournment

MOTION (2013-163) to adjourn was made by Council Member Siejak and seconded by Council Member Antkowiak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-5, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Antkowiak, Siejak, Crocker, Dufour and Smith.

The work session ended at 2:07 p.m. The Lockport Town Board will next meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 7, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Brooks, RMC, MMC
Lockport Town Clerk