

January 22, 2014

A regularly scheduled work session of the Lockport Town Board was conducted at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2014, at the Town Hall, 6560 Dysinger Road, Lockport, New York.

Present were: Supervisor: Marc R. Smith

Town Council members:  
Paul W. Siejak  
Patricia Dufour

Absent: Mark C. Crocker

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

Supervisor Smith welcomed everyone and announced that Councilman Crocker would be absent due to a death in the family. The meeting was opened for business as follows:

**1. Town Clerk**

The Clerk reported that a resident petition for a street light at the corner of Gothic Hill and Niagara Street Ext was received. This street light has already been approved and NYSEG has already begun to proceed with its erection at that location.

**2. Town Attorney**

Mr. Norris stated he had reviewed the bid specifications for the Highway Garage Sprinkler System and that he had no objections to proceeding with the bids.

**3. Engineer**

Forestview Drive Drainage – Mr. Klavoon reported that a survey crew will be out to survey the drainage in that area during the last week of January. They will check the detention pond to determine if it needs cleaning and will also check the drainage of the pond north to Mudd Creek to look for possible solutions to prevent the flooding issues that occurred earlier in the month. A report on the matter will be prepared and presented at a later date.

Safe Routes to Schools Grant – Mr. Klavoon stated that the design plans are currently 60% complete. He has met with the school district as well as the City of Lockport. A public information meeting has been planned for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Lockport Town Hall. A meeting notice will be published in the Union Sun & Journal and letters of announcement will be mailed to the affected residents.

Highway Garage Sprinkler System – the bid specifications have been completed and reviewed by the Town Attorney. He requested that the Board set a bid date for 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 27, 2014.

**MOTION (2014-27)** to set a bid date of 11:00 a.m. on February 27, 2014 to open sealed bids for Contract #13-7 Highway Garage Sprinkler System was made by Council Member Dufour and seconded by Council Member Siejak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

Lincoln Village Pump Station – Mr. Klavoon provided a pictorial hand out to Board members indicating how the new pump station would look once replaced. He stated that the new pump station would primarily be underground and surrounded by black fencing that would hide it even more than what had been there previously.

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The generator will be a natural gas, automatic start at loss of power, with a sound barrier to muffle the noise. Additionally, shrubs will be planted around the fencing to block the pump from view and to aid in muffling any noise. Mr. Klavoon reported that there will be a 10% reduction in the projected cost due to the fact that a building will not be required to be built with this type of station. He requested Town Board approval to set a bid date.

**MOTION (2014-28)** to set a bid date for the Lincoln Village Pump Station for Friday, February 21, 2014 at 11:00 a.m., was made by Council Member Siejak and seconded by Council Member Dufour. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

Recycling Storage Shed – Mr. Klavoon reported obtaining quotations for a new shed. He reported that the old one (10' x 16') was purchased for \$3600.00 in 2011 and it would now cost \$4500.00. He stated the largest available is a 12'x30' at a cost of \$7300.00. After some discussion it was decided that the largest one would be needed and the old one could be utilized else where. The following action was taken:

**MOTION (2014-29)** to authorize the engineer to prepare an RFP for a 12'x30' electronic recycling shed was made by Council Member Siejak and seconded by Council Member Dufour. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

#### 4. Town Board Comments/Reports

*Councilwoman Dufour* – stated she was glad to have several new businesses opening or beginning construction. She reported that a new chiropractic office will be opening; Wal Mart construction has begun; and Yahoo, Inc. is getting prepared for construction.

She also attended the public information meeting conducted by LaFarge at South Lockport Fire Hall on January 21<sup>st</sup>. She stated that the meeting was well attended and that a joint LaFarge/resident committee will be formed for future information sharing.

*Councilman Siejak* acting as the Town's representative to the Association of Towns meeting in February, handed out copies of the resolutions to be placed before the membership at the conference.

He also mentioned that the 2013 County Sales Tax had been up approx. 3% over that in 2012. He stated that this was good in that these figures were close to those utilized in the Town's budgetary process.

#### 5. Supervisor's Comments/Reports

Fallen Heroes Memorial – the Supervisor passed around a rendering of the memorial that the committee is planning for Outwater Park.

Appointment to Lockport Cable Commission – Supervisor Smith requested authorization to appoint Daniel Antkowiak as the Town's representative on the Lockport Cable Commission.

**MOTION (2014-30)** to appoint Daniel Antkowiak as the Town of Lockport representative on the Lockport Cable Commission was made by Council Member Dufour and seconded by Council Member Siejak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith

#### Appointment to Town Board

Supervisor Smith stated that with having a vacancy since Cheryl Antkowiak was elected as Town Justice, and a situation like that which arose for today's meeting; where a Board member is absent, it leaves the Town Board very short of members and the Board could face the possibility of not having a quorum. He stated it would be advisable to appoint a new member to the Town Council as soon as possible. Stating that the Board had had much discussion on the matter, he now offered the name of Thomas Keough for appointment to fill the vacancy on the Town Board.

**MOTION (2014-31)** to appoint Thomas Keough to fill the vacancy on the Town Board was made by Council Member Siejak and seconded by Council Member Dufour. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

Mr. Keough will be required to run for the Town Board position in November 2014 should he want to remain on the Town Board. He will then also be required to run for that office again in November 2015.

#### 6. Executive Session Entered

**MOTION (2014-32)** to enter Executive Session for the purpose of consulting with the Town Attorney was made by Council Member Dufour and seconded by Council Member Siejak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

The Town Board entered Executive Session at 1:25 p.m.

#### 7. Executive Session Exited and Work Session Reconvened

**MOTION (2014-33)** to exit Executive Session and to reconvene the work session was made by Council Member Siejak and seconded by Council Member Dufour. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

The work session was reconvened at 1:57 p.m. with no Town Board action taken during Executive Session.

#### 8. Adjournment

**MOTION (2014-34)** to adjourn was made by Council Member Dufour and seconded by Council Member Siejak. The motion was CARRIED: AYES-3, NAYS-0. Voting AYE: Siejak, Dufour and Smith.

The meeting was ended at 1:57 p.m. The Lockport Town Board will next meet at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, February 3, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy A. Brooks, RMC, MMC  
Lockport Town Clerk