

REGULAR MEETING, TOWN OF LIVONIA

June 20, 2013

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Livonia, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at Vitale Park in Lakeville on June 20, 2013.

PRESENT: Eric Gott, Supervisor
Andy English, Councilmember
Matt Gascon, Councilmember
Angela Grouse, Councilmember
Frank Seelos, Councilmember
Colleen West, Clerk

ABSENT: Jim Campbell, Attorney, Town of Livonia

OTHERS PRESENT: Miranda Reid, Watershed Manager, Several Residents.

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gott at 7:00 PM.

Doug Grouse led the pledge.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

A resident pointed out that the no parking sign on East Lake Road across from the boat launch is missing. Supervisor Gott will talk to Highway Superintendent Dave Coty about replacing the sign.

A Cluny Point resident mentioned that they asked to have a sign put up there saying, "No Thru Traffic, Private Drive," but it has not been done. Supervisor Gott will talk to Dave Coty about that as well.

A resident asked for a sign at the Freedom Point parking area designating a 10 MPH speed limit. He hoped it would help people to slow down when leaving the park.

A person who owns property on the lake commented that he missed an opportunity in January to speak at a planning meeting regarding his neighbor's property. He lives out of the area, so he was not present to see the sign posted on the property. He understands that notices are published in the Livingston County News, but he does not want to have to subscribe to a paper to get that information. He wondered if the town could mail notices to neighbors who don't live in the county when there is going to be a public hearing on a particular parcel. Supervisor Gott will talk with Building & Zoning Director Kevin Masterson about it.

A member of the Conesus Lake Association commended the Town Board for their openness and communication.

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RESOLUTION 75-2013

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM 5/16/2013

On motion of Councilmember Seelos seconded by Councilmember Grouse the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays – 0

Resolved to approve the meeting minutes from May 16, 2013.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk West gave the following financial report for May 2013:

<i>Paid To</i>	<i>Amount Remitted</i>
Supervisor (General Fund)	\$4,581.12
County Treasurer for Dog Licenses	\$276.50
NYS Ag & Mkts for Spay/neuter Program	\$125.00
NYS DECALS	\$756.80
State Health Department (Marriage Licenses)	\$112.50
Total Disbursements	\$5,851.92

A resident asked if the Town Hall hours could be posted on the door so that people who stop in when the office is closed know when it will be open. She also said that it is hard for people who work to get to the office during the day. She asked if it could be open on an evening or weekend. Clerk West responded that she can put the hours on the door. She added that she and Deputy Clerk Miles have tried keeping the office open one night a week and on Saturdays in the past, and they even advertised the expanded hours, but no customers came.

RESOLUTION 76-2013

APPROVE TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

On motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember English the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays – 0

Resolved to approve the May 2013 Town Clerk's Report.

DISCUSSION REGARDING DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Supervisor Gott reported that Deputy Clerk Miles is retiring at the end of August. He

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commended her for the work she has done in the Town Clerk's office over the last seven and a half years. She will be missed.

Clerk West stated that she received nineteen resumes for the position of Deputy Town Clerk. She and Deputy Clerk Miles phone interviewed six candidates. They then conducted face-to-face interviews with two candidates. Clerk West is recommending the appointment of Leanne Holt to the position, effective July 8, 2013.

RESOLUTION 77-2013

APPOINT LEANNE HOLT AS DEPUTY TOWN CLERK EFFECTIVE JULY 8, 2013

On motion of Councilmember Seelos seconded by Councilmember Grouse the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays - 0

Resolved to appoint Leanne Holt as Deputy Town Clerk at a rate of pay of \$14.57/hour effective July 8, 2013.

RESOLUTION 78-2013

DECLARE THAT TOWN OF LIVONIA INTENDS TO BE LEAD AGENT ON STREAMBANK REMEDIATION GRANT PROJECT

On motion of Councilmember English seconded by Councilmember Gascon the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays - 0

Resolved to declare that the Town of Livonia intends to be lead agent in the SEQR process for the Streambank Remediation grant project.

WATERSHED MANAGER TO DISCUSS LAKE ISSUES

Supervisor Gott introduced the Livingston County Watershed Manager, Miranda Reid. She updated everyone on projects that she is currently working on:

- Streambank Remediation – Reid explained that three streams have been identified in the Town of Livonia as being in extreme need of repair: Wilkins Creek, the creek near Cleary Road east of East Lake Road, and the stream by Shoreless Acres. The Highway Department will be providing equipment and employees for the project as our 50/50 match. They will be taking out hard turns in the streams, restoring banks and using root wads to redirect water. We are in the SEQR process now. Engineering will follow as well as scheduling meetings with landowners. Finally permits will be obtained so construction can start.

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- Green Initiatives – Reid reported that she is working on several “Green Initiatives” including placing a rain garden at Long Point Park, conducting a rain barrel presentation, and conducting public education workshops. She described the rain garden as a bed below the surface of the ground that collects runoff from impervious surfaces, such as blacktop driveways or roofs, and holds the runoff so that it goes into the ground slowly. The dirt helps to filter impurities from the runoff.
- Kiosk at Long Point Park – Reid announced that they are working on a kiosk for Long Point Park. This will be an Eagle Scout project similar to what was done at Vitale Park.
- Invasive Species – Reid informed everyone that an invasive species plan for Conesus Lake has been passed. It outlines the roles and responsibilities of involved parties, provides for signage, includes outreach plans, and initiates a water quality monitoring program. In conjunction with the invasive species plan, a boat launch feasibility study has been done. The resulting report includes best practices at the boat launch regarding invasive species removal.

Gene Bolster, from the Conesus Lake Association, mentioned that Conesus Lake is the only Fingerlake to have three action plans in place: an aquatic invasive species plan, a blue-green algae plan and a fish kill plan.

Bolster explained that volunteers will be trained to monitor the lake for invasive species. Since early detection is key, this monitoring program is essential to prevent a full blown infestation.

Bolster also talked about the Boat Launch Stewards program. This strategy has been used successfully for over ten years to keep invasive species out of Adirondack waters. The stewards started work at the Conesus Lake boat launch last Saturday. People do not have to allow the stewards to inspect their boats, but cooperation has been high.

Supervisor Gott thanked Reid for attending the meeting and commended her on all the work she is doing. He remarked that it is wonderful to have agencies from all over partnering to address concerns regarding Conesus Lake. We are blessed to have cooperation from the local Town Boards, Livingston County, the Conesus Lake Association and others.

RESOLUTION

79-2013

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING FOR BUILDING AND ZONING OFFICER AND ESTABLISH AN INTERVIEW COMMITTEE

Supervisor Gott announced that our Building & Zoning Director, Kevin Masterson, plans to retire at the end of the year. He has been here since 1987 and has been a huge asset to

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the Town. Masterson, Attorney Campbell and Supervisor Gott have worked to put together a job description and list of qualifications. He would like permission to advertise for Masterson's replacement and to put together an interview committee.

On motion of Councilmember Grouse seconded by Councilmember Gascon the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays - 0

Resolved to authorize Supervisor Gott to advertise for a Building & Zoning Officer to replace Kevin Masterson who is retiring at the end of the year. Further resolved to appoint Councilmember Seelos, Supervisor Gott, Attorney Campbell, Kevin Masterson and Mayor Lathan to serve on the interview committee.

RESOLUTION 80-2013

WAIVE 30-DAY WAITING PERIOD FOR WAKO TACO TO APPLY FOR A LICENSE TO SERVE BEER AND WINE

Supervisor Gott stated that Matt Cole approached him to ask for a waiver of the 30-day waiting period for Wako Taco to apply for a license to serve beer and wine. The Town Board has granted such waivers in the past, and Cole feels it will help his business to be more successful.

On motion of Councilmember Seelos seconded by Councilmember Grouse the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays - 0

Resolved to waive the 30-day waiting period for Wako Taco to apply for a license to serve beer and wine and to direct Clerk West to draft a letter to that effect.

DISCUSS LETTER FROM SHARON MISTRETTA REGARDING POSTER IN PARK

Supervisor Gott reported that he received a letter from Sharon Mistretta asking for permission to put a poster in the kiosk at Vitale Park to ask for photos of Conesus Lake for a book she intends to publish. She will make a profit of \$1.75 on each book she sells. The board discussed the request and decided to deny it based on the fact that Mistretta will profit from the book. It has been their policy in the past to only allow not-for-profit agencies in the park.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Documents from Sue Englert.

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RESOLUTION

81-2013

APPROVE REQUEST FROM WOMEN’S GROUP AT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LIVONIA TO CONDUCT A FUNDRAISER AT VITALE PARK ON JULY 3

Supervisor Gott stated that he received a request from Connie Orme of the Women’s Group at United Methodist Church of Livonia. She proposes to conduct a fundraiser at Vitale Park on July 3rd. They want to set up a “Penny Candy” booth. They would supply their own tent and tables and would not require electricity or water. The board discussed the request briefly and felt it would be appropriate to allow it.

On motion of Councilmember Grouse seconded by Councilmember Gascon the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays – 0

Resolved to allow the Women’s Group from the United Methodist Church of Livonia to conduct a “Penny Candy” booth fundraiser at Vitale Park on July 3rd.

Supervisor Gott will let Park Manager Tom Vernam know. He will also ask the church to provide a certificate of insurance.

COUNTY MORTGAGE CHECK

Supervisor Gott announced that we received the mortgage check from the county for the first part of this year. Livonia continues to grow. Our check was \$85,689. The next closest check was Geneseo, in the amount of \$56,000.

MAIN STREET GRANT

A resident asked if the Historical Society received a grant to replace their front window. Supervisor Gott replied that three businesses in the Village of Livonia received grant money to make façade improvements, but the Historical Society was not one of the recipients. They will try again next year.

SUMMER RECREATION

Councilmember Grouse mentioned that the Summer Recreation Program starts Monday. They have 175 students registered so far. New counselors have been hired. She thinks that we will end up with a little over 200 students as there are always last minute registrations.

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RESOLUTION 82-2013

HIRE RECREATION WORKERS AND SET RATES OF PAY

On motion of Councilmember English seconded by Councilmember Gascon the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays – 0

Resolved to hire the following recreation workers and set their rates of pay as follows: Pam Garner @ \$11.39/hour; Dillon Fairhead @ \$7.25/hour; Kirstie Mosher @ \$7.25/hour; Mike English @ \$7.45/hour; Victoria Burley @ \$7.45/hour; Lindsay Futter @ \$7.95/hour; Kaitlin Fisher @ \$8.50/hour; McKenzie Mallabar @ \$7.45/hour; Kaitlyn Van Orman @ \$7.25/hour; Kelly Minnehan @ \$7.25/ hour (Substitute); Jessica Lambert @ \$7.25/hour; Hanna Briggs @ \$7.75/hour; Chad Richardson @ \$7.25/hour; Marissa Apollonio @ \$7.25/ hour (Substitute); Jack Horan @ \$7.25/hour; Jacob Bills @ \$7.25/hour (Tennis); Jenna Hauk @ \$7.25/hour; Samantha Herzich @ \$7.75/hour; David Hollingshead @ \$7.25/hour; Alyssa Hollingshead @ \$7.25/hour; and Taylor Mallabar @ \$7.25/hour.

NATURE PROGRAMMING AT CHIP HOLT CENTER

Councilmember Grouse reported that there will be six weeks of free nature programming at the Chip Holt Center this summer. This is not a drop-off program, so children must be accompanied by adults. There will be two programs a day, five days a week.

DISCUSS REQUEST FROM BOY SCOUT TROOP TO CAMP AT HEMLOCK LAKE PARK

Councilmember Gascon reported that he was contacted by a Boy Scout Troop from Spencerport asking if they could camp at Hemlock Lake park for an overnight. Councilmember Gascon would like to designate the open field near the pavilion for that purpose. The troop also wanted to have a campfire. Councilmember Gascon thinks the campfire is okay as long as it is in a contained bowl. They will also need the bathrooms to be unlocked all night. The board discussed the request and everyone felt that there would not be a problem with it. We will get a certificate of insurance.

BRIDGE AT HEMLOCK LAKE PARK

A resident asked if there has been any progress on the bridge at Hemlock Lake Park. Supervisor Gott replied that there has been no progress, but we are not giving up.

RESOLUTION 83-2013

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Supervisor Gott mentioned that the reason this Abstract is so high is that it includes road work and a truck purchase.

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On motion of Councilmember Grouse seconded by Councilmember Seelos the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays - 0

Resolved to pay claims numbered 278-329 in the amount of \$402,056.04 from the 2013 Abstract dated June 7, 2013.

RESOLUTION 84-2013

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

On motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember English the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, English, Gascon, Grouse, Seelos)
Nays - 0

Resolved to pay claims numbered 330-395 in the amount of \$95,100.15 from the 2013 Abstract dated June 20, 2013, further resolved to hold the check for People Counters under the library account until Councilmember Grouse informs the board as to what that check is for.

VITALE PARK CONCERTS

Supervisor Gott added that the concerts at Vitale Park will start this Sunday. He thanked Tim Wahl for putting the schedule together.

Supervisor Gott reminded everyone that the next town board meeting will be held at Hemlock Lake Park on the third Thursday in July. There will be no meeting on the first Thursday in July.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember Grouse the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen M. West, Town Clerk