

TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LIVONIA

May 16, 2024

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Livonia, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at Livonia Town Hall, 35 Commercial St Livonia NY 14487

PRESENT: Eric Gott, Supervisor
Joseph Breu, Councilmember
Peter Dougherty, Councilmember
Andy English, Councilmember
Matt Gascon, Councilmember-absent
Hayley Anderson, Clerk
Jim Campbell, Attorney, Town of Livonia

OTHERS PRESENT: Several Residents.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gott at 7:00 PM.
Pete Dougherty led the pledge.

RESOLUTION 64-2024

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM 4/18/2024

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved to approve the Meeting Minutes from April 18, 2024.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Councilman English advised that Moe has hired someone at Vitale Park and so far everything is going great.

Councilman Breu advised that there are two new EMS graduates and they're both extremely dedicated individuals and we are lucky to have them. Having two new certified paramedics will be extremely beneficial for our paramedic program. This is a wonderful accomplishment and he expressed sincere appreciation to have them in our community.

Councilman Breu asked about updated financial help for the EMS. He went further to express that keeping the EMS off the Tax Levy is the ideal scenario, but he would like to see them get help with funding. Attorney Campbell will follow up with some options.

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Councilman Breu also advised that the Hometown hero banners up and they look great.

Councilman Dougherty reported that residents in Lakeville have expressed interest in an additional crosswalk from quicklees to south of Lakeville Park. Supervisor Gott stated he will get some phone calls in to see how we can move forward with this.

Councilman Dougherty reported that Chris west is interested in purchasing the Connell building and making 30-35 apartments or wants to know if the Town would be interested in making a recreation center or something along those lines, he wanted to be here tonight but could not make it. He is in the process of speaking with the village as well. Attorney Campbell advised this would be a Village matter as far as Zoning is concerned.

Supervisor Gott reminded the Board that prior to last month's meeting Bookkeeper Taylor sent out transfers so she can close the books out. Everything is closed out and complete.

Update on water-Eric Weis stated he is in the process of creating the map plan and report. The State changed the deadlines for WIIA grants, so most other things had to be put aside so he can get the grants done. He hopes to have something for the committee to review in July, and hopes to have the board take any necessary action in August. The hope is to submit the draft of the new map plan and report to the committee in July and any revisions to be presented to the Town Board in August.

A resident expressed concerns about paying a tax for water because they will not even be able to use it and will still have to pay the tax debt.

Attorney Campbell advised there are some mechanisms that can be used to exempt some homeowners that cannot hook up to water hookups, he reiterated that this is simply an option and not a guarantee that they won't have to pay the tax debt if the water project should pass. That is a discussion that will need to happen further into the process.

A resident asked how many homes are really struggling with their wells and what warrants this district being formed-Attorney Campbell expressed this is generally an interest expressed from residents with complaints like well water quality, water pressure, water quantity etc. This was that way this time. A public hearing would be required before the board makes a decision on this water project. Public information meetings will likely be held as well, which helps refine the plan and then helps the public hearing be productive. Attorney Campbell went further to explain that sub-committees do a lot of leg work. A resident asked about when the sub-committees meet, and it was advised these meeting dates can be posted on the website as long as the Town Clerk is made aware of them.

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A resident asked about any follow up from the Fire Commissioners, he stated he filed a complaint with the comptroller's office. Supervisor Gott stated that he hasn't heard any follow up. He explained that the Town starts their budget in August and would assume the fire commissioners would begin around then as well.

RESOLUTION 65-2024

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Paid to Supervisor for the General Fund	\$3,411.76
Paid to County Treasurer for Dog Licenses	\$178.50
NYS Comptroller's Office (Bingo and Games of Chance Licenses)	\$0.00
Paid to NYS Ag & Markets for the Spay/Neuter Program	\$65.00
Paid to NYS Environmental Conservation for Hunting/Fishing Licenses	\$217.28
State Health Department (marriage licenses)	\$22.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$3,895.04

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Dougherty, English, Breu)
Nays - 0

Resolved to approve Clerk Anderson's monthly report.

RESOLUTION 66-2024

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR GOTT TO SIGN LETTER OF PERMISSION FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO BE SERVED AT HEMLOCK FAIR 2024

On motion of Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember Breu the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays - 0

Resolved to authorize Supervisor Gott to sign the letter authorizing alcoholic beverages to be served at the Hemlock Fair from July 16, 2024 through July 20, 2024.

RESOLUTION 67-2024

HIRE CHRISTOPHER DUNHAM AS PART TIME VITALE PARK GROUNDSKEEPER

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

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ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved hire Christopher Dunham as a Part Time Groundskeeper for Vitale Park at a rate of pay of \$18.29 an hour effective May 11, 2024

RESOLUTION 68-2024

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF MAURA CLARK AS LIBRARY CLERK EFFECTIVE 5/10/2024

On motion of Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember Breu the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved to accept the resignation of Maura Clark as Library Clerk effective 5/10/2024.

DISCUSSION ON FEDERAL ROAD SPEED LIMIT AND WEIGHT REDUCTION

Supervisor Gott stated he would like to discuss a weight reduction on Federal Road and also a speed reduction from Livonia Center to Cadyville Road. The weight reduction would need to be investigated more, however a speed reduction could be submitted with a TE-9 form.

Supervisor Gott Spoke about the four-way stops being put in at Stone Hill and Livonia Center, and Stone Hill and Bronson Hill. Four-way stops can be put in by the Town or County, but the County is reluctant due to fear of higher speed rear end collisions. Additional caution signs have been placed at Stone Hill and Livonia Center and Stone Hill and Bronson Hill.

RESOLUTION 69-2024

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR GOTT TO SIGN TE-9 TRAFFIC FORM FOR A SPEED REDUCTION ON FEDERAL ROAD FROM LIVONIA CENTER TO CADYVILLE ROAD

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

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Resolved to authorize the Town Clerk to complete a TE-9 Form requesting the Department of Transportation, pursuant to section 1622.1 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, establish a traffic study to determine what measures of safety can be taken to prevent further accidents.

RESOLUTION 70-2024

APPROVE 2023 BUDGET TRANSFERS SUBMITTED BY BOOKKEEPER TAYLOR

On motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved to approve the budget transfers for the 2023 budget.

RESOLUTION 71-2024

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF PASQUALE GIULIANO AS GROUNDSKEEPER EFFECTIVE 5/1/2024

On motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved to accept the resignation of Pasquale Giuliano as Groundskeeper effective 5/1/2024.

RESOLUTION 72-2024

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

On motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved to pay claims 319-360 in the amount of \$52,862.53 from the Abstract dated May 2, 2024.

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RESOLUTION 73-2024

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, English)
Nays – 0

Resolved to pay claims 361-396 in the amount of \$66,728.89 from the Abstract dated May 16, 2024.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the meeting was adjourned at 7:26PM . Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hayley Anderson
Town Clerk