

## TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF LIVONIA

August 17, 2023

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Livonia, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at Vitale Park, Lakeville NY.

**PRESENT:** Eric Gott, Supervisor  
Joseph Breu, Councilmember  
Peter Dougherty, Councilmember  
Andy English, Councilmember  
Matt Gascon, Councilmember  
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.  
Joe Breu led the pledge.

### **PUBLIC HEARING ON AGRI-TOURISM**

Following distribution of the proposed Local Law #4-2023 to the Town Board members on July 20, 2023 notice of said Public Hearing was duly published in the Livingston County News on August 3, 2023, with same being posted on the same date at the Town Hall, and Livonia's web site.

Clerk Anderson read the Notice of Hearing for the record.

Supervisor Gott declared the Public Hearings open at 7:05PM.

### **Comments:**

A resident stated that he was told 2 tents or more on a property now can be labeled a campground, and they can be rented as an AirBnB. He would like to preserve his property naturally and use it for travelers to stay for a farm visit. Julie Holtje and Attorney Campbell stated this could be incorporated into the current language. Supervisor Gott expressed it to be his wish for the definitive language be added to avoid any gray area.

Another resident thanked the Town Board and the Building and Zoning department for all their hard work on this project.

Supervisor Gott asked if anyone else from the public or the board wished to comment. Supervisor Gott stated that the public hearing would remain open and there would be another opportunity to comment before the hearing was closed.

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With everyone who wished to be heard having been heard, the Public Hearing was closed at with a motion from Matt Gascon and Seconded by Joe Breu at 8:15PM

## **PRIVELAGE OF THE FLOOR**

A Resident from Pennemite Road came to express concern about the amount of marijuana being smoked at Vitale Park and all Town Parks. She asked the board to consider a resolution to not allow smoking at the parks. Supervisor Gott stated the Town could look into re-visiting the verbiage on the signs for the park to include no smoking of any kind.

Councilman English stated the Town Board should be thinking about a Full Time employee at Vitale Park because currently Moe Watson is handling everything at the park with Part Time help, and that Hemlock Park needs to have someone overseeing it as well. A Full Time Employee could be incorporated with responsibilities at both parks and allow for a smooth transition.

Councilman Breu reported that the Hometown Hero program is taking off and applications have been coming in. There was an issue with the flag brackets and 7 have broken and flags have gone missing. At next month's meeting councilman Breu will be prepared to present pricing for new brackets, that hopefully will rectify this problem.

The Ambulance Board would like to come next month to the meeting for their presentation.

A Member of the Building and Zoning department from Avon came and advised there is a lack of consistency in the Pebble Beach area and asked the Town Board to understand and support their Zoning and Planning Boards. He stated he would like to see more consistency in what variances are being allowed and not allowed. He went on further to express how important it is for each board to be properly educated, and for each of them to know and understand the others role, and to work together.

Julie Holtje from the BZ Department stated that she has implemented a process in which the applicants provide a letter of intent, with their own words so the board members can be prepared before the meetings. Further, she takes the time to go through the code book and point out the areas the members need to be focusing on in an attempt on educating the board members and limiting the time that is necessary to filter through the very large code book.

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Councilman Dougherty reported that the lakeville corridor project is still moving along, and the committee will meet again next Friday.

He also reported that Mary Mott has been appointed Library Trustee to fill Pat Genthners Term and will serve until December 2026.

Supervisor Gott reported that there will be a Pre-construction meeting for the Blank Road project this upcoming week.

## **PRESENTATION FROM MARY UNDERHILL ON CONESUS LAKE WATERSHED UPDATES**

Mary handed out the annual report of the watershed to all Town Board Members. The Conesus Lake Association has been working on putting in a stream gage to control lake levels.

She advised they are currently monitoring an Invasive species known as stary stone wart which is a macro algae with explosive growth.

RESOLUTION 129-2023

## **INSERT CONDUIT AT VITALE PARK FOR ELECTRICITY TO BE RUN IN THE FUTURE FOR A LIGHT UP SIGN**

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, Dougherty, Breu, English, Gascon)  
Nays – 0

Resolved to have conduit placed in at Vitale Park in the amount of \$8200 before the paving of the Parking Lot for electricity to be run in the future.

RESOLUTION 130-2023

## **TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Paid to Supervisor for the General Fund	\$3,012.03
Paid to County Treasurer for Dog Licenses	\$245.00
NYS Comptroller's Office (Bingo and Games of Chance Licenses)	\$0.00
Paid to NYS Ag & Markets for the Spay/Neuter Program	\$74.00
Paid to NYS Environmental Conservation for Hunting/Fishing Licenses	\$324.04
State Health Department (marriage licenses)	\$157.50
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$3,812.57</b>

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Clerk Anderson would like to put on an electronics collection day with Sunking for our residents. This would not cost the Town anything to do, except volunteering our time. Deputy Clerk Sharp is also on board with helping, and the Clerks office will be in charge of finding Volunteers, as well as asking the Board members if they would like to participate. Clerk Anderson will also ask the Highway Department to assist.

Hunting Licenses and Deer Management Permits have kept the office buzzing, and sales are normal for this time of year.

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, Dougherty, English, Breu, Gascon)  
Nays – 0

Resolved to approve Clerk Anderson's report.

RESOLUTION 131-2023

## **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM 7/20/2023**

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, Dougherty, Breu, English, Gascon)  
Nays – 0

Resolved to approve the meeting minutes from 7/20/2023

RESOLUTION 132-2023

## **AUDIT OF CLAIMS**

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

ADOPTED Ayes - 5 (Gott, Dougherty, Breu, English, Gascon)  
Nays – 0

Resolved to pay claims 653-692 in the amount of \$42,315.69 from the abstract dated August 3, 2023.

RESOLUTION 133-2023

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

ADOPTED	Ayes -	5 (Gott, Dougherty, Breu, English, Gascon)
	Nays -	0

Resolved to pay claims 693-740 in the amount of \$48,122.56 from the Abstract dated August 17, 2023.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the meeting was adjourned at 8:17PM Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Hayley Anderson  
Town Clerk