

AUGUST 10, 2017 OFFICIAL MINUTES

The Lorraine Town Board opened their monthly meeting at 7:03 pm at the Municipal Building.

Present were: Town Supervisor Vince Moore, Councilman David Johnson, Councilman Joe Hodges, Councilperson Virginia Clemens, Highway Superintendent Carl Dealing and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Melinda Milne. Absent was: Councilman Lester Hobbs.

Citizens present were: Marty Tokos, Joe Wasilewski, Kay Chapman, Amber & Shelby Roberts.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Moore.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION:

The Town Board acknowledged the citizens present.

Ms. Shelby Roberts advised she was attending the Town Board meeting to learn more about local government.

Kay Chapman from Tug Hill provided the August 2017 Announcements. The NYS DEC continues to make available a grant to offset costs of e-waste recycling. The application deadline is Jan. 31, 2018. The Justice Court Assistance Program grants are open for the 2017-2018 year. Deadline to apply is Oct. 12, 2017. Avangrid Renewables has announced the next set of public open houses for the Mad River Wind project on Sept. 20th at the Lorraine Fire Hall and Sept. 21st at the Redfield Fire Hall. The open houses will run from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm on both days. The date for the Tug Hill Commission's Annual Meeting has been set for Nov. 2nd at the Boonville VFW. The THC welcomes Geraldine Ritter as the newest Tug Hill Commissioner and Leona Cheresnoski of Lorraine was reappointed for another five year term. Leona has served on the Tug Hill Commission Board since 1983.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

- The Volunteer Transportation Center sent a thank you to the Town for their donation.
- NYS Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment provided their ruling on intervenor funding requests.
- NYS Legislative Commission on Rural Resources provided their Summer 2017 Newsletter.
- Senator Patty Ritchie provided information to assist homeowners with floor relief and information on the extension of the reduced speed limit for boaters within 600 feet of the shore on Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River.
- Charter Communication provided a summary of upcoming changes.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: John Howland was not present but provided the Board with an update on open cases. The Board discussed.

HEALTH OFFICER: The Town Clerk reported no new updates.

ASSESSOR: Mr. Jim Rounds was not present but advised the Board he will be holding office hours the last Tuesday of each month from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Municipal Bldg.

PLANNING BOARD: Marty Tokos provided his report on actions of the Planning Board. There was a discussion regarding re-appointments for Planning Board members.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Per Joe Wasilewski, there are no new updates.

COMMITTEES:

- Cemetery-Supervisor Moore advised of continued work being done to reset headstones. In addition, mowing is scheduled to be completed prior to the Town Picnic on Wed. Aug. 16th.
- Communities-Councilman Hobbs was not present but advised he expects the tennis court to be sealed next week.
- Special Projects-Councilperson Clemens and Mr. Howland have inspected the vacant properties in the hamlet compiling data and photos to be presented to Jeff Co Codes. Councilperson Clemens advises she will also be speaking with Chief Shelmidine prior to submitting the documentation for additional information.
- Grants-The blacktop for the Municipal Building was just completed as a result of the SAM Grant that the Town was awarded. Councilman Hodges updated the Board regarding submission of grant paperwork for a salt shed that he worked on with the assistance of Carl Dealing and Carla Fowler from Tug Hill.
- Buildings-Councilman Johnson advised a new lock cabinet has been obtained for office keys in the event of an emergency. He has received a quote from Siemens for new boiler controls as the current controls have been discontinued. He will obtain another quote per town policy. Carl Dealing advised the state boiler inspection is coming up. In addition, Mr. Dealing advised of a leak in the rafters of the highway department. Councilman Johnson will investigate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The July 13, 2017 Minutes were reviewed. **MOTION #60 OF 2017** was made by Councilperson Clemens and seconded by Councilman Hodges to accept the minutes as submitted. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. WECS-Revised Development Law. The Public Hearing was held this evening at 6:30 pm. The revision will be submitted to the State after correction of typographical error.
2. NYS County-Wide Shared Service mandate. Supervisor Moore supplied an update from County Administrator Robert Hagemann for the Board to review and discuss.
3. Paid Family Leave. There was a discussion. The Board has decided not to offer at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Petty cash: Replenishing is needed for postage.
2. Hwy Supt.: Mr. Dealing advised he is waiting for the posting of the bids for 2500 pickup. He will keep the Board updated. In addition, he advised of a new hire, Mr. Damian Smith. There was a discussion regarding the hiring policy and pay grades. The Board will review at the next Board meeting. Mr. Dealing advised the Board with updates on both completed projects and pending projects. He will check with the County on road work status for Co. Rte 189.
3. **RESOLUTION #14 OF 2017 LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2017 AMENDMENT TO THE TOWN OF LORRAINE DEVELOPMENT LAW**

Whereas the Town of Lorraine wishes to encourage growth in our community and protect the nuances of the Town and Whereas an environmental assessment was conducted in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (6 NYCRR §617.3,617.4) and a negative declaration was rendered and Whereas a public hearing on the proposed law was held on August 10, 2017 and attended by a quorum of Town Board members and Whereas the proposed amendments to the Lorraine Development Law have been reviewed by the Jefferson County Planning Board, the Town Attorney, and the Lorraine Planning Board now, therefore, be it Resolved Local Law #1 of 2017, Amendment to the Town of Lorraine Development Law is hereby adopted and be it further Resolved the Lorraine Town Clerk shall prepare and file the amended law with the Secretary of State.

MOTION #61 OF 2017 was made by Supervisor Moore to introduce Resolution #14 and seconded by Councilman Johnson following edit of typographical error. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

4. September Meeting. The Town Board will meet with Town employees at 6:00 pm on September 14th prior to the Town Board meeting.
5. Supervisor Moore will be forwarding Budget Worksheets to all department heads in next week or two.

6. RESOLUTION #15 OF 2017 BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Whereas the Jefferson-Lewis BOCES invoiced the Town in July 2017 for services provided in calendar year 2016, and Whereas there is no record of the Town receiving the 2016 invoice in calendar year 2016 or having knowledge of the delinquency and Whereas the 2017 budgeted appropriations for Drug & Alcohol Testing were established based on expected charges for calendar year 2017, Now therefore, be it Resolved the Supervisor be, and hereby is, authorized to make the following budgetary transfer:

From	To
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	
A90408.01.008.00, Workers Comp \$67	A59894.01.004.00, Drug Testing \$67

MOTION #62 OF 2017 was made by Supervisor Moore to introduce Resolution #15 and seconded by Councilperson Clemens. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

7. The Board discussed possible future projects for the Town as it relates to the upcoming budget.

BALANCES ON ACCOUNTS:

Highway:	\$564,828
General:	\$251,477

AUDIT & AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS:

The Board approved payment of General Abstract #8 of 2017 comprised of vouchers 1992-1994, 1997, 2005-2016, 2018, 2020-2022, 2027, 2031 with a total of: \$4461.58.

The Board approved payment of Highway Abstract #8 of 2017 comprised of vouchers 1992, 1997-2004, 2017, 2023-2026, 2028-2030 with a total of: \$8456.83.

The Board approved payment of Street Lighting Abstract #8 of 2017 comprised of voucher 2019 with a total of: \$164.40.

MOTION #63 OF 2017 was made by Councilman Hodges and seconded by Councilperson Clemens to accept and pay the bills. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION #64 OF 2017 was made by Councilman Hodges and seconded by Councilperson Clemens to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.