

AUGUST 8, 2019 UNOFFICIAL MINUTES UNTIL SEPTEMBER MEETING

The Lorraine Town Board opened their monthly meeting at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building.

Present were: Town Supervisor Vince Moore, Councilman David Johnson, Councilman Joe Hodges, Councilman Gordon Hutton, Councilman Lester Hobbs, Highway Superintendent Joe Wasilewski and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Melinda Milne.

Citizens present were: Marty Tokos, Jennifer and Jenna Tubolino, John Howland, Sandra Clark and Joan Fowler.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Moore.

CITIZENS RECOGNITION:

The Town Board acknowledged the citizens present.

Joan Fowler would like to discuss a Junk Law Violation Notice with Mr. Howland.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

- Volunteer Transportation Center sent information on their services.
- JCIDA sent a correspondence asking the Town list them as an “Involved Agency” with projects where the Town assumes a role of “Lead Agency”.
- Jefferson County HR sent information regarding Labor Class Employees and Section 75 Rights.
- Jeff Co Soil & Water sent their July 2019 Newsletter.
- NYS Dept. of Env. Conservation sent a list of information sessions for the Round 15 Grant.
- Charter Communications sent information on upcoming changes.
- Deer River Wind Farm Project sent a Notice of Public Statement Hearing on Aug. 6th.
- NYS Board on Electric Generation Siting & Environment sent a Notice of Procedural Conference.
- Capital Consultants sent information on their services.
- The Lorraine/Worth 3rd Annual Community Picnic is being held Aug. 8th.
- CTHC provided their August 2019 Tug Hill Announcements.

ENFORCEMENT OFFICER: John Howland was present and discussed open cases. He provided an updated list of Violation Notices and photos of open cases. Mr. Howland is asking for a Board decision on two specific cases as to whether or not to proceed to State Supreme Court. **MOTION #61 OF 2019** was made by Supervisor Moore and seconded by Councilman Hobbs to not send Mr. Alex Bellinger to State Supreme Court at this time but to continue to seek compliance. All present were in favor. Motion was carried. **MOTION #62 OF 2019** was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Hodges to proceed to State Supreme Court with Ms. Lisa Graves’s property. Supervisor Moore abstained from the vote. Councilman Hutton and Councilman Hobbs were in favor. Motion was carried.

HEALTH OFFICER: The Town Clerk reported no new updates.

ASSESSOR: No new updates.

PLANNING BOARD: Marty Tokos provided his report on actions of the Planning Board.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: No new updates.

COMMITTEES:

- Cemetery-No new updates.
- Communities-Councilman Hobbs advised the playground inspection was completed. There are still some issues with weeds. He would like the Port-a-Potty kept through September.
- Special Projects-No new updates.
- Grants-No new updates.
- Buildings-Councilman Johnson advised he received another quote for gutters. There was a discussion and comparison of the two quotes received to date. He would like to verify both quotes are based on a prevailing wage. There was a discussion about possibly doing the front of the building this year. He will keep the Board updated.

APPROVAL OF TOWN CLERK MONTHLY REPORT:

The Town Clerk Monthly Report for July was presented to the Board for their review. **MOTION #63 OF 2019** was made by Councilman Hodges and seconded by Councilman Hobbs to accept the report. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The July 11th Town Board Minutes were reviewed. **MOTION #64 OF 2019** was made by Councilman Hodges and seconded by Councilman Hutton to accept the minutes as submitted. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Solar Law. Supervisor Moore emailed a correspondence from the Town attorney regarding the Draft Solar Law to the Board. The Board reviewed and discussed various inquiries and recommendations from the attorney. Supervisor Moore will amend the document as agreed upon and forward to the Board.
2. Stowell Driveway. Supervisor Moore advised he will be forwarding the map for the parcel to the surveyor. He will obtain a quote and forward to the Board. Supervisor Moore will continue to correspond with the attorney regarding this issue and keep the Board updated.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Petty cash: Town Clerk advised no need for replenishing.
2. Hwy Supt.: Mr. Wasilewski provided his report to the Board.
 - He updated the Board regarding Tire Recyclers Inc.
 - Sexual Harassment/Workplace Violence Training has been completed.
 - The Cornell Local Road Training is on Oct. 10th and he would like Harold Downey to attend with him.
 - Mr. Wasilewski is planning on attending the Fall Conference Sept. 17-20.
 - NYS Dept. of Labor/PESH completed noise monitoring testing with a passing score.
 - Mr. Wasilewski reviewed equipment issues and repairs completed.
 - He advised the Board of completed work and work in progress.

3. **RESOLUTION #16 OF 2019**

APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

MOTION #65 OF 2019 was made by Supervisor Moore to introduce Resolution #16 and seconded by Councilman Hobbs. Heidi Erickson has been reappointed to the Board of Assessment Review for a term ending September 30, 2024. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

4. **RESOLUTION #17 OF 2019**

RE-APPOINTMENT OF THE TOWN OF LORRAINE ASSESSOR

MOTION #66 OF 2019 was made by Supervisor Moore to introduce Resolution #17 and seconded by Councilman Hutton. James Rounds has been re-appointed Town of Lorraine Assessor for a term ending September 30, 2025. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

5. **RESOLUTION #18 OF 2019**

2019 BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS

MOTION #67 OF 2019 was made by Supervisor Moore to introduce Resolution #18 and seconded by Councilman Hobbs. The June reimbursement from the County was credited to 2019 Highway budgeted revenue account. The Board expressed a desire for reimbursement from dust control services be credited to Highway Gravel & Material appropriation account. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

6. Supervisor Moore will be forwarding Budget Worksheets to department heads.

7. Financial Statements for July 2019 were provided and reviewed.

BALANCES ON ACCOUNTS:

Highway:	\$804,498
General:	\$276,340

AUDIT & AUTHORIZATION OF BILLS:

The Board approved payment of General Abstract #8 of 2019 comprised of vouchers 3228-3230, 3233-3241, 3265-3268 with a total of: \$6142.84.

The Board approved payment of Highway Abstract #8 of 2019 comprised of vouchers 3242-3264 with a total of: \$25,123.11.

The Board approved payment of Street Lighting Abstract #8 of 2019 comprised of voucher 3230 with a total of: \$154.46.

MOTION #68 OF 2019 was made by Councilman Hobbs and seconded by Councilman Johnson to accept and pay the bills as submitted. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION #69 OF 2019 was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Hobbs to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. All present were in favor. Motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Melinda Milne
Town Clerk/Tax Collector