

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Conesus, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 6210 South Livonia Road, Conesus, New York on the 5th day of March 2024.

PRESENT: Donald Wester	-----	Supervisor
Gary Sparks	-----	Councilman/Deputy Supervisor
Jerome Butterbrodt	-----	Councilman
Brian McCarty	-----	Councilman
John Fama	-----	Councilman
Sharon M. Knight, MMC/RMC	-----	Deputy Town Clerk
Dan Marusiak	-----	Highway Superintendent

OTHERS PRESENT: Ron Maxwell, Code Enforcement Officer, Matt Cicero, Commissioner Town of Livonia Ambulance District #1 and ten members of the community.

Councilman Fama led everyone in the Pledge to the Flag.

DISCUSSION TOWN OF LIVONIA COMMISSIONER AMBULANCE DISTRICT #1

Supervisor Wester welcomed Commissioner Matt Cicero to address the Town Board and those in attendance with the 2023 Year-End Review of the Town of Livonia Commissioner Ambulance District #1.

Commissioner Cicero shared the following:

- Every ten years boxes are changed out.
- 180 mutual calls in 2023
- 95 percent or greater with first ambulance coverage
- Revamped quality assurance and quality improvement programs
- Obtained new AED's through grants.
- Remounted an ambulance saving approximately half the cost of buying new.
- Drastic improvements to winter rehab capabilities – provides heated environments to emergency personnel on scenes.
- Administered CPR saving a life.
- Delivered a baby.
- Approximately 1,142 service calls
- 30 active members
- 9 members provided over 1000 hours for 71% of all calls.
- 3 members provided 50% of hours
- Looking at the affects if a top eight members no longer available to volunteered
- Insurance was ½ million dollars last year.
- \$60,000 for Livonia and \$17,000 for Conesus
- Considering paying volunteers
- Proposal to paid staffing along with equipment 1.3 million dollars excluding insurance money.

DISCUSSION TOWN OF LIVONIA COMMISSIONER AMBULANCE DISTRICT #1-continued

- The Town of Livonia has raised tax rates for the last two years without additional tax dollars to the Ambulance.
- Paid paramedics are being considered for next year.
- Requesting additional discussions with the Towns of Livonia and Conesus

Supervisor Wester shared an impressive ambulance response to the golf course.

Councilman McCarty stated he was helped a great deal, and their work is appreciated.

Further discussion of the request for financial assistance will be reviewed by the Board at a future meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Next Town Board Tuesday April 2, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
2. Congratulations to the Town of Conesus 2024 Teen-Recipients Emily Foley and Michael Marusiak

RESOLUTION #38 APPROVAL OF AMENDED MINUTES

On a motion of Councilman Butterbrodt and seconded by Councilman Fama the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 4 NAYS 0 ABSTAIN 1 (Councilman McCarty)

RESOLVE to approve the minutes of January 2, 2024, and request they be posted on the Town of Conesus website.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Abstain, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #39 APPROVAL OF AMENDED MINUTES

On a motion of Councilman McCarthy and seconded by Deputy Supervisor Sparks following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 3 NAYS 0 ABSTAIN 2 (Councilmen Fama and Butterbrodt)

RESOLVE to approve the amended minutes of January 4, 2024, and request they be posted on the Town of Conesus website.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Abstain Councilman Fama- Abstain, Councilman McCarty - Abstain, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #40 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman McCarty following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to approve the minutes of February 6, 2024, and request they be posted on the Town of Conesus website.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #41 ACCEPT THE SUPERVISOR REPORT

On a motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Deputy Supervisor Sparks following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to accept the Supervisor’s monthly report for February 2024.

Receipts \$13,918.20, Highway Fund \$584,592.97 Special Districts \$164,273.00 TOTAL \$762,784.17

Disbursements General \$31,517.46 Highway \$96,097.36, Special District \$.00, Cell Tower \$.00 total \$127,614.82.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #42 ACCEPT THE TOWN CLERK REPORT

On a motion of Councilman McCarty and seconded by Deputy Supervisor Sparks following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to accept the Town Clerk’s monthly report for February 2024 as follows:

- Total Local Shares Remitted \$540.75
- New York State Department of Health \$0.00
- NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program \$4.00
- NYS Environmental Conservation \$0.00
- TOTAL \$544.75

RESOLUTION #42 ACCEPT THE TOWN CLERK REPORT-continued

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

DISCUSSION ASSESSOR REPORT

Assessor Rados was not in attendance.

DISCUSSION CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Code Enforcement Officer Maxwell reported on the following:

- A phone call was received from a gentleman questioning if campsites are allowed. Information was shared but he has not called back.
- Code Enforcement Office McGrain is working from home.
- Code Clerk Carol Crane continues to be out of the office; therefore, all phone calls, complaints, and inspections are all be completed by Code Enforcement Officer Maxwell

DISCUSSION HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Highway Superintendent Marusiak reported on the following:

- Snow and ice removal is ending for the season.
- Emergency repairs on the building
- Resolution on the agenda to purchase mower.
- Bigger projects for this year are Turkey Hill and Partridge Corners.

Jones Hill Road continues after seven years of planning and the cost continues to climb.

DISCUSSION UPDATES ON KEY ISSUES:

Conesus Lake Association Representative

Councilman Fama updated those in attendance on programs available. Watershed on Wednesday, March 6th at 6:30 P.M. entitled *Total Solar Eclipse* with a speaker coming from the Rochester Museum and Science Center. Visit their website at [2024 WATERSHED EDUCATION CENTER PROGRAM SCHEDULE - Conesus Lake Association](#) for additional available programs.

Town of Conesus and Livingston County Planning Board Representative

Supervisor Wester reported the need for a Solar Moratorium as projects continue to improve.

DISCUSSION UPDATES ON KEY ISSUES:-continued**Town of Conesus Zoning Board of Appeals Representative**

Councilman McCarty updated those in attendance of the last meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals on three area variances as follows:

James Ryan – looking to build a guest house with a 2-car garage. Approved.

Howard Heitner – install a deck where the generator is currently located and would like to move the generator to another side of the house. The generator would be two feet from the property line. Approved

Steven Hyde – requesting an 18-foot on the front yard setback which fails to meet Section 155-38C. He plans to build a 21' x 12' garage (1 car) located at 5792 East Lake Road in the Lake Upland District. Additional information was requested with finer details about the project.

Livingston County Board of Supervisor/GLOW/Liv. Cty. Water & Sewer

Supervisor Wester updated those in attendance stating:

The County is looking to purchase new ambulances.

He attended the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) Conference stating we are making headway. A visit was made to the Governor's Mansion. A scan code was provided for PDF and Word Documents of resolutions.

DISCUSSION - AARP MONEY – HIGHWAY GARAGE

Supervisor Wester updated the Board on the improvements to the highway garage stating the following:

- A meeting was held with Engineer Jeff Wilson and MRB Group who will be working together.
- The project cost is estimated at \$250,000.00.
- The highway crew is doing a great job at the back of the building and the front of the building will also need additional work.

DISCUSSION - RICKY GREENE MEMORIAL PARK PROJECTS

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 11:00 A.M. on the 30th of March. There is no age limit. Donations are welcomed but soliciting is not allowed.

Reservations will continue to be accepted by Hazel Delaney and by the Town Clerk's Office. Councilman Butterbrodt is the liaison for the park.

DISCUSSION UPDATE CELL TOWER BOND/PROJECT

We are waiting for the bonding to be put in place.

DISCUSSION NEW YORK STATE RETIREMENT REQUIREMENTS

Deputy Town Clerk Knight was asked to provide information to Board Members regarding NYS Retirements requirements for monthly calendars of activity members of the retirement system.

RESOLUTION #43 APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRARS

On a motion of Councilman Butterbrodt and seconded by Councilman McCarthy following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to appoint Sharon M. Knight as Registrar and Sandra Bean as Sub-Registrar.

FURTHER RESOLVE to not pay a salary to the Registrars as payment will be made by voucher.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #44 AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF TOWN HIGHWAY MACHINERY

On motion of Councilman Butterbrodt and seconded by Councilman Fama the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to authorize the purchase of Town Highway Machinery as follows:

RESOLUTION #44 AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF TOWN HIGHWAY MACHINERY - continued

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #45 ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF BARBARA ANDERSON

On motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman McCarty the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to accept the resignation of Barbara Anderson

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #46 APPOINTMENT OF BRIAN MCCARTY – BOARD OF ASSESSEMENT REVIEW

On motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Butterbrodt the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 4 NAYS 0 ABSTAIN 1 (Councilman McCarty)

RESOLVE to appoint Brian McCarty to the position of Board of Assessment Review.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Abstain, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

DISCUSSION BLEACHERS

Supervisor Wester reported of a volunteer willing to remove the bleachers from the Ricky Greene Memorial Park. It was determined the bleachers may be a liability to the Town. Visitor Holly Sampson stated she would also be interested in the bleachers. No action was taken by the Board.

DISCUSSION – DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

Deputy Town Clerk Knight updated the board on the continued service of two experienced Town Clerks that are working on updating the outstanding items in the Clerk’s office in preparation of a Board appointment to the position of Town Clerk.

Eighty-four percent of taxes have been collected and the New York State Town Clerk’s conference will be held in Albany in April.

RESOLUTION #47 APPROVAL OF AN EXTIMATE FROM HURRICANE TECHNOLOGY

On motion of Councilman Butterbrodt, seconded by Councilman McCarty the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to approve an estimate from Hurricane Technology to install color hands free video door phone monitor, surveillance hard drive and seventy-five feet of cable.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

DISCUSSION – RURAL BROADBAND ACCESS

Supervisor Wester updated the Board on the request to install a concrete slab for an electronics cabinet at the Town of Conesus Town Hall property as requested by Broadband Consultant, Richard Frank. The project would be completed within two years and would provide improved high-speed access by Fiber Optic Network in the Town of Conesus. The Town of Conesus would receive free internet at their Town Hall.

DISCUSSION – VISITOR’S COMMENTS

Several visitors addressed the Board on the following topics:

- Many issues on property being run by Mr. Ribble
 - Off Dugway Road with an assortment of cottages
 - Consist of 28 acres
 - Advertising as <https://themountainmeadow.com>)
 - Who owns the property?
 - This is operating as a full blow business.
 - Neighbors have lost privacy.
 - No site plan or approved by the Town in anyway.
 - Many vehicles travel onto property.
 - A cabin is located on the right-of-way.
 - Unsanitary conditions
 - Port-a potty emptying issues with large trucks narrowly backing out.
- Easter Egg Hunt – need the bathrooms open at Ricky Greene Memorial Park
- The Ga-ne’-a-sos History Keepers are meeting again. The last meeting was in 2019 which was pre-covid.
- Questions will be sent to the Supervisor.

RESOLUTION #48 ACCEPT THE CLAIMS

On motion of Councilman Butterbrodt and seconded by Councilman McCarty the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to pay the vouchers in the following amounts:

General Fund - \$188,498.63

Highway Fund - \$9,302.36

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

RESOLUTION #49 ADJOURN THE MEETING

On motion of Councilman Fama and seconded by Councilman Butterbrodt the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE that no further business is on the agenda the meeting is adjourned at 8:52 PM. Carried unanimously.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Butterbrodt - Aye, Councilman Fama- Aye, Councilman McCarty - Aye, Deputy Supervisor Sparks - Aye, Supervisor Wester – Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon M. Knight, MMC/RMC
Deputy Town Clerk