

April 24, 2024

The Town Board of the Town of Lyons met for a meeting on April 24, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Present: Jim Brady, Supervisor
Dan LaGasse, Councilman
George Dobbins, Councilman
Ryan Robbins, Councilman
Dan DeWolf, Councilman
Amy Shaffer, Town Clerk

Absent:

Also Present: Tim Moore, Ann Wick, Deb Hall, Andrew DeWolf, Donna DeWolf, Dave DeWolf, Evonne Pomerantz, Steve Sklenar, Denise Darcangelis, Glenn Wasman, Phil DeSain, Jr, Michael Bouwens, Marc Lewis, Dave Doyle, John Cinelli, Christine Savage, John Hawman, Susanne Collins, Kevin Meehan, William Bailey

This meeting was duly noticed by contacting the Times of Wayne newspaper, as well as posting a notice on the Town bulletin board and on the Town's web site.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Dobbins moved to accept the minutes of the March 13, 2024 and March 27, 2024 meetings. Councilman DeWolf seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse abstain
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins abstain
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman LaGasse moved to approve payment vouchers from 3/25/24 through 4/19/24 totaling \$353,911.29. Councilman Robbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Deborah Hall, the Wayne County Museum Executive Director was present and gave a presentation on the NY 111th Volunteer Infantry Regiment Civil War Memorial Monument that is going in central park. The 3-figure bronze statue will sit on a 14-foot circular, eye-level, granite pedestal, raised approximately 12-18 inches from ground level. The granite pieces will be engineered with the names of the major battles that these men encountered and the casualty count for each. The 40-foot circular concrete patio surrounding the monument will include a small granite pedestal with bronze title plaque as well as three granite benches. There will be space allotted for future smaller plaques which will expand on the stories of this local regiment. Ms. Hall shared the construction plans with the Board and all that attended the meeting. A previous construction permit was applied for with the Town Code Enforcement Officer. Construction will be starting soon. Construction will be completed in phases with the last of the phases being the placement of the bronze statues and that will not be until 2025. After the presentation, Ms. Hall opened the floor up for any questions. Mr. and Mrs. Dave DeWolf were present and voiced their concerns in relation to the project. They do not want the Veterans Memorial in Taylor Park. They would like all military memorials to remain located in Central Park. They would also like to see a flagpole placed back in Central Park. Further discussion ensued.

Supervisor Brady updated Mrs. DeWolf in relation to her request for no parking signs on Route 14 North. He received an email from the State indicating that they went back to 2007 and could not find where there were ever any no parking signs in that area. At this point, the town will need to complete paperwork to request such and submit to the state. Supervisor Brady will complete the necessary paperwork and submit.

At 7:05 PM, Councilman LaGasse moved to open the public hearing in relation to Local Law 2 of 2024 which is an update to the existing Code of Ethics. Councilman Robbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman LaGasse posed a couple of questions in relation to the draft set forth. Councilman Dobbins will make some revisions and the board will vote on it at next month's meeting.

At 7:21 PM, Councilman Robbins moved to close the public hearing. Councilman LaGasse seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

At 7:22 PM, Councilman Robbins moved to open the public hearing in relation to 65 Geneva Street special permit for conversion of property from single family home into a two-family home in a district where a special permit is required. It was confirmed that when the property was purchased, it was purchased as a single-family home. Discussion ensued in relation to the history of this property. Councilman LaGasse mentioned that he would like to see Mr. Bailey's application and review process when considering tenants. He also stated that it would be nice to see illustrations of exterior view concepts showing details such as the front porch.

Councilman DeWolf moved to close the public hearing at 7:40 PM. This is subject to a SEQR review, subject to a state environmental review and the town is giving it a preliminary classification. And further, the Town Board moved to refer this application back to the Planning Board to consider conversion of this property to two-family use. Councilman Robbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

The next item up for discussion is 3 Holley Street. This public hearing was left open from the previous town board meeting. Ms. Evonne Pomerantz of Family Promise stated that at the last meeting the board had requested that she look into seeing if the agency would be willing to place 24/7 around the clock staffing at this location. She indicated that is not something that is in the budget. The organization may be switching gears with this request at this time. The board will leave the public hearing open at this time and will wait to hear back from Ms. Pomerantz.

Councilman DeWolf moved to approve the Brew & Vine Walk through downtown Lyons on May 23, 2024 from 5:00-8:00 PM. There will be music in Central Park from 6:00-8:00 PM. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman Robbins moved to approve Trolley Fest at 1 Montezuma Street on Saturday, June 15th from Noon-5:00 PM; contingent on receiving liability insurance verification. (This was received within a couple of days.) The event is to highlight foods and vendors from local area along with local music talent. Councilman DeWolf seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman Robbins moved to authorize Supervisor Brady to sign the agreement for the 2024 Catalyst Program Grant. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman LaGasse moved to authorize Supervisor Brady to sign the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor 2024 grant agreement. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

The boundary line agreement item for 8 Jackson Street has been tabled until Attorney Villani can thoroughly review the documents.

JoAnn Salerno of Glow Up Girls sent a request email to the town board. They are looking for money to offset funds to help with a full-day, six--week summer program which would include participation in a week-long equestrian camp. As some of the board has questions, Supervisor Brady will invite JoAnn to the next board meeting to present her request.

Regarding required Planning and Zoning Board training, Councilman Robbins moved to allow members who attend in excess of the required 4 hours per year to rollover any excess to the following year not to exceed one year. Councilman LaGasse seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

The board is tabling the second half of the Planning Board's request until someone reviews the resolution and provides an updated draft in relation to what trainings are acceptable.

Councilman LaGasse moved to accept Marc Lewis as the Provisional Building Safety Inspector which allows up to 32 hours of work per week. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye

Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

The board discussed having written town board meeting procedures. This is an item where they would like to review it further. Councilman LaGasse moved to allow the inclusion of the acceptable reasons to enter into an Executive Session to the bottom of the agendas. Councilman Dobbins seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman Dobbins moved to allow posting for a part time secretary to the Code Enforcement Department where this individual will also assist with handling any Freedom of Information Law requests. (FOIL) Someone will need to work on a job description, hours, pay, etc. Councilman DeWolf seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

The town received a \$50,000 grant for a wastewater feasibility study to send wastewater to the Village of Newark. At this point the town needs to advertise the RFQ (request for qualifications) to find an engineering firm for this project. Councilman Dobbins moved to allow Supervisor Brady to advertise an RFQ for this project. Councilman DeWolf seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Councilman Robbins inquired as to when brush pickup would be happening this year. Superintendent Moore stated that it is starting tomorrow. Superintendent Moore suggests getting your brush out to your curb within the next couple of weeks and the town will pick the brush up between now and Memorial Day.

The Board provided updates on any unfinished business.

At 9:05 PM. as there was no further business, Councilman Dobbins moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman DeWolf seconded. Vote:

Councilman LaGasse voting aye
Councilman Dobbins voting aye
Councilman Robbins voting aye
Councilman DeWolf voting aye
Supervisor Brady voting aye

Amy L. Shaffer
Lyons Town Clerk