

Town of Lewis
Regular Town Board Meeting
August 9, 2022
Lewis Town Hall

Present: Counselors Lanita Canavan, John Blades and Steven Denton, Supervisor James Monty. Counselor Terry Pulsifer-Excused.

Public Present: Gerald Spooner, Glen Crowningshield, Herb Clark and Jeff Scott.

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Monty at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests: None

Public Hearing Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to accept the Public Hearing Minutes of July 12, 2022 by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Regular Board Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to accept the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2022 by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Supervisor's Financial Report: A motion was made to accept the Supervisor's Financial Report by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

1. Budget Transfer – Supervisor Monty requested a budget transfer in Water of \$1,666.54 to cover the cost of SENSUS software support. A motion was made to accept the Budget Transfer by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Public Commentary: Jeff Scott was concerned about Thrall Dam. Commented on whether the Town has heard from Mr. Ryan Hathaway on any plans or ideas. Mr. Monty stated that Ryan has reached out to him and will be in to talk to the Board soon.

DPW/Water Report: A motion was made to accept the DPW/Water Report by John Blades and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

a. Water Rent Collection

DPW – Supervisor Monty stated the Town should have their new truck by the end of August 2022. Highway has finished blacktopping. They have been mowing the sides of the roads and taking care of the dirt roads.

Correspondence:

- a. County Expense Report - In Packet
- b. County Calendar - In Packet
- c. Landfill Report - A motion was made to accept the Landfill Report by Lanita Canavan and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.
- d. ADK Harvest - In Packet
- e. July Public Health Report - In Packet
- f. Charter Change - In Packet
- g. Regional Housing Analysis - In Packet
- h. Final Assessors Report 2022 - \$194,105,629.00 for the Town of Lewis.
- i. Interstate 87, Exit 32 Rehab - In Packet
- j. NYSEG Information - In Packet

Old Business:

- a. Home Rehab Grant - The Town applied for a \$500,000.00 for rehabilitation grant for the Town of Lewis.
- b. NYSERDA Grant - Granted a 60 day extension.
- c. Executive Session Personnel - Supervisor Monty called for an executive session to discuss personnel.

A motion was made to go into executive session at 7:22 PM by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

A motion was made to come out of executive session at 7:27 PM by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

No final decision was made in Executive Session.

A motion to was made to re-open Executive Session by Lanita Canavan and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

New Business:

1. Codes Report - None
 - a. Codes Officer Hiring - Supervisor Monty stated that Les Howard has filled the position.
2. Animal Control Report - Supervisor Monty had 1 (one) complaint on County Route 10.
3. Youth Commission meeting minutes and financials
 - a. June and July

A motion was made to accept the Youth Commission Minutes and Financials by Lanita Canavan and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

4. Bid Proposals for Hulbert Road Broadband - A bid came in from SLIC at \$51,750.00 and a bid from Chazy-Westport Communications came in as \$24,294.00. Supervisor Monty asked the Board for permission to use \$24,294.00 of ARPA Fund monies for the Hulbert Road and Christmas Tree Lane Broadband. A motion was made to accept the bid proposal from Chazy-Westport Communications by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Resolutions:

22-8-1 Resolution for Water Fund Amendment. A motion was made to accept the Water Fund Amendment by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried. Counselor Pulsifer was excused.

22-8-2 Resolution Awarding Contract to Chazy and Westport Communications. A motion was made to accept the Chazy and Westport Communication Contract by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried. Counselor Pulsifer was excused.

Counselors Canavan and Blades called back a Candidate for a second interview for the Assessor position. Counselors Canavan and Blades would like to make a recommendation to the Town Board to accept Ben Goff as the Town Assessor. A motion was made to accept Ben Goff as the Lewis Town Assessor by John Blades and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

John Blades	Yes
Lanita Canavan	Yes
Stephen Denton	Yes
James Monty	Yes
Terry Pulisfer	Excused

Counselor Canavan has a price to have dangerous trees removed out of the Roscoe Cemetery. A quote was given to Counselor Canavan from Marshall Dickerson to remove the trees and clear off the debris from the site at the cost of \$4,600.00. Supervisor Monty asked for a recommendation to hire Marshall and use the ARPA funds. A motion was made to accept Marshall Dickerson to remove trees and debris from the Roscoe Cemetery using ARPA Funds by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 Opposed, motion carried. Lanita Canavan Abstained.

Audit and Pay Bills: A motion was made to audit and pay bills by John Blades and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

General Fund	\$13,963.34
General Fund A	\$22,961.01
Highway Fund	\$4,954.19
Highway DA	\$182,383.30
Water Fund	\$12,212.90
Water Fund SW	\$75,249.96
Trust & Agency-TA	\$77,424.68
Youth Commission	\$39,409.04

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn at 7:31 PM by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Williams
Town Clerk