

Town of Lewis
Regular Town Board Meeting

August 8, 2023

Lewis Town Hall

Present: Counselors Lanita Canavan, John Blades, Steven Denton, Supervisor James Monty, Highway Superintendent Kevin Denton and Codes Officer Les Howard. Counselor Terry Pulsifer was excused.

Public Present: Glenn and Donna Crowningshield.

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests: Jennifer Smith from HAPEC spoke about the CDBG Grant. They have had three applicants, have been at their house and have done all the assessments they needed to do. They have one more that needs to be approved as they just received the paperwork last week. Still need two more applicants. Jennifer sent out 5 more letters that were on the list. HAPEC will be putting all the bids out this fall.

Supervisor Monty is concerned we may need to put an extension out as we are getting close to the deadline. We are a year in with a two-year grant and doesn't want the Town to run out of time. He asked if we could put bids out for the three projects that are already.

Regular Board Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to accept the Regular Town Board meeting minutes by Lanita Canavan 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 John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

- a. Budget Transfer – Supervisor Monty requested a motion for the following budget transfer:
\$131.87 to cover the increased subscription cost for software.

A motion was made to accept the Budget Transfer by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Public Commentary: None

DPW/Water Report: Superintendent Denton said roads are holding up better than most but getting rough considering all the rain we've had.

Town had a water break by Phil Pulsifer's old residence, Sheehan's will be helping to fix it. Kevin spoke with Jason Frasier, General Foreman for the County. Hoping to finish up the blacktopping on Trout Pond Rd in September.

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

- a. Water Main Break – Lewis-Wadhams Road.
- b. Boil Water Order – 9 Homes on the Lewis-Wadhams Road have a boil water order until further notice.
- c. Water Rent Report – A motion was made to accept the Water Rent Collection Report by John Blades and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- a. County Expense Report – In Packet
- b. County Calendar – In Packet
- c. Landfill Report – Supervisor Monty stated the Landfill is doing very well. Usage is down some, as far as the tonnage we have collected, as compared to 2022. Tickets sales are up.

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

- d. Charter Changes – In Packet
- e. APA Meeting – In Packet

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Codes Report – Codes Officer Howard stated he has issued a few permits for the month. He has been dealing with a septic issue with property owners, APA is involved.
2. Animal Control Report – Received 5 calls this month.
3. Youth Commission – Things are going well with the summer program. Averaging roughly 90 kids a day.
A motion was made to accept the Youth Commission Minutes by John Blades and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.
4. Emergency Squad Request – A resolution request is being made by the Ambulance Squad for the creation of an Ambulance District.

Resolutions:

Bond Anticipation Note Resolution – “Bond Resolution of the Town of Lewis, Essex County, New York, adopted August 8, 2023 Authorizing improvements, paving and repairs to various Town Highways including purchase of material and any ancillary costs relative thereto in the total estimated maximum cost of \$375,000.00, appropriating said amount for such purposes, and authorizing the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of \$375,000.00 to finance said project and appropriation” authorizing the issuance and sale of serial bond of the Town of Lewis, Essex County, New York.

MOTION: James Monty
SECONDED BY: Steve Denton

ROLL CALL:

Supervisor Monty	Yes
Councilman Blades	Yes
Councilperson Canavan	Yes
Councilman Denton	Yes
Councilman Pulsifer	Excused

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MOTION: James Monty
SECONDED BY: Lanita Canavan

ROLL CALL:

Supervisor James P. Monty	VOTING – YES
Councilperson John Blades	VOTING – YES
Councilperson Lanita Canavan	VOTING – YES
Councilperson Stephen Denton, Jr.	VOTING – YES
Councilperson Terry Pulisfer, Jr.	EXCUSED

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	\$3,369.31
General Fund - A	\$24,762.05
Highway Fund	\$15,669.71
Highway Fund - DA	\$11,884.87
Trust & Agency - TA	\$64,149.80
Youth Commission	\$38,180.23
Water Fund SW	\$329.61
Water Fund	\$4,645.13

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn at 7:30 PM by John Blades and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Williams
Town Clerk