

Town of Lewis
Regular Town Board Meeting
February 14, 2023
Lewis Town Hall

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

Public Present: Gerald Spooner and Glen Crowningshield

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests: Luke McNally – Nature Conservancy. Luke is a Forrester with hunting and conservation organization called Rough Grouse Society. His job is to work with private land owners that own forest land to implement NRCS funded projects. He stated there is new money available for land owners who would like to do some cuts to benefit the wildlife-deer, turkey, grouse, etc. He is also on the board of directors for the Boquet River Association which is trying to revitalize within the water sheds. He will try to be at the Town Meetings in case anyone has any questions for him.

Regular Board Meeting Minutes: A motion was made to accept the Organizational - Regular Board Meeting Minutes 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.

Public Commentary: None

DPW/Water Report: Kevin Denton stated they used more salt this year due to the rain we've had.

Supervisor Monty stated the water report came back normal.

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

a. **Water Inspection Report** - The Water Inspection report came back as satisfactorily. Items that needed to be addressed have started to be worked on. A motion was made to accept the Health Inspection Report by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

b. Water Rent Collectors Report

Correspondence:

- a. County Expense Report – In Packet
- b. County Calendar – In Packet
- c. Landfill Report – Supervisor Monty stated we had a substantial loss in revenue from 2021. He believes it was due to the pandemic in 2021, people were cleaning their homes and buying a lot of punch cards. A motion was made to accept the Landfill Report by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.
- d. APA Information – In Packet
- e. DEC Permit – In Packet
- f. Community Food Shelf Report – In Packet
- g. Office of the Aging Newsletter – In Packet
- h. Caregiver Assistance News – In Packet
- i. Yearly E-Waste Report – In Packet
- J. Life Guard Training – In Packet

Old Business:

- a. **Release of Funds Rehab Grant** – Supervisor Monty stated our release of funds were approved for \$388,760.00. It will be put into an account for the rehab program.
- b. **Firefighter Property Tax Relief** – In packet, the NYS Law is attached.

New Business:

- 1. **Codes report** - Codes Officer Howard stated he's trying to focus on getting properties cleaned up.
- 2. **Animal Control Report**
 - a. **Ag and Markets Inspection Report** – Supervisor Monty stated the Inspection passed.
- 3. **Youth Commission** - A motion was made to accept the Youth Commission Meeting Minutes by John Blades and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.
- 4. **Mt Fay Fish and Game Request for ARPA Funds** – Requesting ARPA funds to upgrade the electrical services and ball field at the club house at an estimated cost of \$30,000 - \$50,000.

Resolutions:

23-2-1 A motion was made to accept the Resolution Approving Standard Work Day reporting for appointed and elected officials (amending resolution 22-6-2) by John Blades and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

23-2-2 A motion was made to accept the Resolution to support the Wilmington/Whiteface 100K Mountain Bike Race by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

A resolution was made to hold a public hearing to extend the AUD filing date. A motion was made by Lanita Canavn and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

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

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| General Fund | \$29,116.73 |
| General Fund - A | \$163,524.22 |
| Highway Fund | \$5,637.69 |
| Trust & Agency - TA | \$29,217.62 |
| Youth Commission | \$766.50 |
| Highway - DA | \$12,646.33 |
| Water Fund SW | \$4,290.19 |
| Water Fund | \$278.18 |

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:50 PM by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Williams
Town Clerk

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