

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

**Present:** Counselors Lanita Canavan, Terry Pulsifer, John Blades, Steven Denton, Supervisor James Monty and Code Officer Les Howard.

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

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Guests: None**

A motion was made to accept the:

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 11, 2022, Public Hearing on Local Law #1, Exceeding the Tax Cap and Budget Workshop Minutes of October 20, 2022 and the Public Hearing on the 2023 Budget Minutes of November 3, 2022, as one, by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 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.

**1. Budget Transfer** – Supervisor Monty requested 4 (four) budget transfers:

\$268.25 – To cover longer season of port-a-potty usage.

\$5,599.20 – To cover increased fuel costs. This transfer will be every month until the end of the year due to exceeding the fuel line. The monies will come from the salt and sand line.

\$500.00 – To cover electric and internet costs.

\$329.87 – To cover electric and internet costs.

**Total Transfer - \$6,697.32**

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

**Public Commentary: None**

**DPW/Water Report:** Supervisor Monty stated the report came back, the testing was fine. He stated we will need new testing for lead as we had higher lead level at 2 of the locations. They are asking Andy to follow up with them and re-test.

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

- a. **Water System Inspection Report** – Supervisor Monty stated they found 3 deficiencies. The pipes in the treatment room are starting to corrode, and some of the bolts are also corroded need to be replaced. The pipes need to be sanded, wire brushed, primed and repainted.  
The fire hydrants need to be inspected, and the ones that need repainting, be repainted.  
The top of the storage tank needs to be cleaned and possibly be painted.
- b. **Water System Mapping** – Community Resources has applied for grant funding and application to the NY Rural Water Association Mapping. For Town of Lewis, our share of the project would be \$2,570.00. Supervisor Monty stated it would be a good investment to the water district and the mapping itself.  
A motion was made to accept the Water System Mapping by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

#### **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 John Blades and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.
- d. ADK Harvest – In Packet
- e. Charter Change – In Packet
- f. APA Notices – In Packet
- g. NYSEG Newsletter – In Packet
- h. 480a Stumpage – Town of Lewis received \$288.98 from Diversified Upstate Enterprises, LLC and \$1,945.80 from Shirley Forest. The monies from the stumpage will go into the equipment fund.

#### **Old Business:**

- a. Nature Conservancy Grant has applied to a new funding source and needed a letter of support. Supervisor Monty gave them a letter of support stating we support them doing the work,
- b. Date for Light Bulb Exchange – Receive grant from NYSRDA exchanging lights bulbs for LED bulbs. NYSEG has offered to give us the light bulbs. Supervisor Monty asked the Board if they'd like to help participate in handing out light bulbs, and literature on how to save energy, out the to the homeowners. The date and time will be December 10, 2022 from 9am-1pm.

#### **New Business:**

1. Codes Report – Les Howard, Code Officer, stated he issued 9 permits, since the last Board Meeting, and received roughly \$1,450.00 in revenue.

2. Animal Control Report – Glenn Williams, Animal Control Officer, submitted a report. Had 1 (one) call pertaining to a horse being loose. He contacted the Sheriff’s Department.  
Glenn attempted to contact the dog owner of the dog that bit a person. He couldn’t touch base with him. He will continue to reach out to him.
3. Youth Commission Meeting Minutes and Financials – Youth Commission hasn’t had a meeting due to scheduling conflicts.
4. Request for Deputy Tax Collector – A motion was made to accept the Deputy Tax Collector, at the salary of \$200.00 a year, by John Blades and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.
5. 2023 Town Budget – Supervisor Monty stated we will put in the 2023 Town Budget as discussed at the Public Hearing Meeting. The General fund rate is \$1.29 per thousand, Highway fund is \$1.81 per thousand for a total outside of district of \$3.10. Within the water district is \$3.11 per thousand with a decrease of \$.33 per thousand over last year.

A motion was made to adopt the 2023 Town Budget by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**Resolutions:**

**22-11-1 Resolution for Water District Mapping.** A motion was made to accept Water District Mapping Resolution by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Steve Denton, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**22-11-2 Resolution Appointing Deb Olsen, Deputy Town Tax Collector.** A motion was made to accept Deb Olsen as Deputy Town Tax Collector by John Blades and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**22-11-3 Resolution Adopting the 2023 Town of Lewis Budget.** A motion was made to accept the 2023 Town of Lewis Budget by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

**Roll Call Vote:**

John Blades	Yes
Lanita Canavan	Yes
Steve Denton	Yes
Terry Pulsifer	Yes
James Monty	Yes

Supervisor Monty stated that we need a replacement transmitter and a flow meter up to the well house, due to a power surge, for a total cost of \$2,000.00. A motion was made to accept by Steve Denton and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Supervisor Monty asked the Board if they had anything to add. Counselor Pulsifer stated that the Lewis Fire Department will be holding a Community Event on December 11, 2022. The Event is a pancake breakfast with Santa with gifts being given out to the children.

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

Water Fund SW	\$829.87
Water Fund	\$497.84
Highway Fund	\$20,043.93
Trust & Agency-TA	\$29,330.80
Highway-DA	\$80,317.28
General Fund	\$4,519.76
General Fund-A	\$29,142.62

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn at 7:33 PM by John Blades and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Williams  
Town Clerk