

Town of Lewis  
Regular Town Board Meeting  
March 11, 2025  
Lewis Town Hall

**Present:** Counselors Lanita Canavan, Terry Pulsifer, John Blades, Steven Denton and Supervisor James Monty, Highway Superintendent Kevin Denton

**Public Present:** Gerald Spooner, Tim Pierce

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Guests:** Troy Trombly – Municipal and Community Relations Manager from NYSEG was present to answer any questions, discuss the new smart meters (that may be coming to this area in June) and went over what to expect when they start to install the new smart meters. He also spoke about the bills and the rate hikes that have occurred in the last couple years. Gerald Spooner asked Supervisor Monty what supplier the Town uses. He said they use NYSEG. Gerald also had questions for Troy and discussed the regular meter and having the option to switch to the smart meter. Troy stated there will be a charge if someone was to keep the old meter.

**Regular Board:** 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 Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

a. AFR Extension - Granted

**Budget Transfer** - Supervisor Monty requested 1 (one) Budget Transfer.

\$6,535.08 - To Move Funds into Appropriate Line Item for Workers Comp

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:** A motion was made to accept by John Blades and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Highway Superintendent, Kevin Denton stated they need a couple of pickups replaced. He did find two trucks, brand new 2023 and 2024, through Onondaga State Contract. He's asking to purchase one out of the Water District Funds and the second one with CHIPS money.

A motion was made to accept the purchase of two trucks, per the State Contract price, by Terry Pulsifer and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Counselor Canavan Asked Kevin if the new compressor was here. Kevin stated it is here.

**a. Water Rent Collection Report**

January Collections	\$2,718.49
February Collections	\$4,329.90
February Late Fees	\$18.00

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

**Correspondence:**

1. Essex County Auditors Report - In Packet
2. County Calendar - In Packet
3. Landfill Report - A motion was made to accept the Landfill Report by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.
4. Adirondack Park Agency - In Packet
5. NYSEG - In packet
6. Charter Changes - In Packet
7. Office of the Aging - In Packet
8. Cornell Cooperative Extension - In Packet
9. Social Security Newsletter - In Packet
10. Rabies Clinic - In Packet
11. Essex County Ag Society - In Packet
12. Department of Taxation & Finance Franchise Values - In Packet
13. NYDOT Work Notification - Replacement of the I87 NB Exit 32 Off-Ramp over Spruce Mill Brook.
14. North Country Vacant Rental Program - In Packet
15. Board of Elections - In Packet
16. Elizabethtown Library Thank You Card - In Packet

**Old Business:**

- a. Stevens Invoice for ARPA Work – For new bathroom handicap accessible for Lewis Fish & Game Club - \$15,000.00. Tim Pierce mentioned that the American Legion would volunteer to paint the Fish and Game Building.
- b. Confirmation of Speed Limit Change in Lewis – Notice of Order for 40mph on US Route 9 for a distance of 1.4 miles in the Town of Lewis

**New Business:**

- 1. Youth Commission Report – A motion was made to accept the Youth Commission Report by John Blades and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed, motion carried.
- 2. Animal Control – Received a notification from the Dog Catcher, Glenn Williams, to end his term 12/31/2025.
  - a. Ag & Markets Inspection Report

A motion was made to accept by Steve Denton and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

- 3. Codes Report – Five permits issued, renewal, demo & C of O - \$1,447.00 –  
- One inspection completed.

**Resolutions:**

**25-3-1 Resolution** to Transfer Funds - \$24,000 out of our NYCLASS account to the General Fund, building line to make payment on the upgrade to handicap bathroom at the Mt Fay Fish & Game Club.

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

**25-3-2 Resolution** of Appreciation to Judge Pierce thanking him for his 27+ years.

A motion was made to accept the resolution by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

A motion was made to go into Executive session at 8:05 by Lanita Canavan and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

A motion was made to go back into Regular session at 8:16 by Steve Denton and seconded by Lanita Canavan, 0 opposed motion carried.

Nothing was decided or voted on during the Executive session.

Counselor Canavan stated she would like the Ambulance Squad to have an Independent Audit.

**Audit and Pay Bills:** A motion was made to Audit and Pay Bills by John Blades and seconded by Terry Pulsifer, 0 opposed, motion carried.

General Fund	\$36,665.51
General Fund	\$21,895.37

General Fund	\$180,077.64
General Fund - A	\$22,883.13
Highway Fund	\$13,676.80
Highway Fund	\$6,887.92
Highway Fund - DA	\$23,955.13
Trust & Agency - TA	\$42,533.65
Youth Commission	\$254.51
Water Fund SW	\$1,949.78
Water Fund	\$545.30
Water Fund	\$5,512.71

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn at 8:35 PM by Steve Denton and seconded by John Blades, 0 opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Williams  
Town Clerk