

Joint Town/Village Meeting

October 29, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Present: Town of Lewiston:

Sup. S. Reiter; Council Members A. Bax, M. Marra, E. Palmer & R. Winkley; Deputy Tn. Sup. G. Catlin; Tn. Atty. M Dowd, Finance Office M. Johnson; Eng. R. Smith; Stormwater Manager G. Caverly & Town Clerk C. Brandon.

Village of Lewiston: Mayor T. Collesano; Trustees D. Brochey, N. Conde, V. Eydt & B. Sutherland. Village Atty. E. Jesella; Eng. R. SanGiacomo; Village Clerk A. Welch; Deputy Treasurer K. Goodman & Supt. Public Works B. Meigs.

Also Present: 2 residents and 3 press reps.

Sup. Reiter opened the meeting at 6:07 p.m. There are 2 Town items that need to be taken care of first.

Cliff Road PRV Improvement Project:

Eng. R. Smith: We went out to bid on this project and the apparent low bidder was New Cal Construction Inc. with a bid of \$84,000.00. I am asking that the Town reject this bid based on the company's inexperience with this type of project and award the contract to Yarussi Const. Inc. with a bid of \$123,000.00.

Reiter stated that Yarussi Const. Co. has done many town and school projects within the community.

Winkley MOVED to reject the low bid on the Cliff Road PRV Improvement Project and award the contract to Yarussi Construction Co. with a bid of \$123,000.00. Seconded by Marra and carried 5-0.

Street Light Request:

A request from St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church of 1073 Saunders Settlement Road for a street light on pole # 1069 (National Grid) has been reviewed by Lighting Chairman John Barber and is recommended for installation.

Palmer MOVED to request that a street light be installed on Pole #1069 (National Grid). Saunders Settlement Road. Seconded by Marra and carried 5-0.

Sup. Reiter opened the joint meeting and invited the Mayor to speak regarding water issues.

Mayor Collesano said that the offer that had been made was a double program for both the Town and Village and ask Village Engineer Richard SanGiacomo to speak.

Mr. SanGiacomo presented the following water rate analysis.

		Water Rate Analysis	
		Town Vs Village	
		Town	Village
Water Systems			
Water Purchased		804,314,400 gal.	94,450,000 gal.
NCWD Charge		\$0.75/ 1000 gal.	\$0.75/1000 gal.
Tax Levy		\$695,625.00 (\$0.87/th)	\$133,310.62 (\$1.41/th)
Total Cost of Water Purchased		\$1.62/th gal	\$2.16/th gal
Water Rates		*\$2.13/100 CF - \$2.46/th gal	#\$3.55/100CF - \$2.65/th gal
* Minimum \$14.90 billed every 2 months # No minimum billed quarterly			
Village 2012-2013 Water fund	Expenses	Revenue	
Water Administration	Village Rate	Town Rate	Town Rate
	\$32,169.00	\$0.00	
Transmission/Distribution	\$37,387.00	\$0.00	
Employee Benefits	\$84,736.00	\$0.00	
Source of Supply	\$204,400.00	**\$124,377.50	

Metered Sales		\$376,911.00	\$189,115.25
TOTALS	\$358,686.00	\$124,377.50	\$376,911.00
			\$189,115.25
** Based on Village Household Metered Usage (76,775,000gal.)			
Water savings \$204,400.00 - \$124,377.50 = \$80,022.50			
Village personnel water fund expenses	\$139,496.00		
Difference			(\$59,463.50)

SanGiacomo stated that unless the village distribution cost can be offset, the Village would pay \$59,463 to join with the Town.

Reiter questioned the billing process and staffing needed to do this. Personnel issues were discussed with the Town could absorb one employee from the Village. The Town is willing to work with the Village on consolidation.

Bax said it would be difficult with consolidation without stepping on someone toes.

Discussion took place that this scenario would affect the public works department where the employees do a variety of jobs.

Sutherland said that some type of lease could be worked out between the municipalities with perhaps a formal agreement within 3 years.

Reiter stated that the Village has more questions that they need to answer and let us wait until your next budget is completed.

Bax commented that with shared services there would be savings especially for the village residents.

Reiter said that the deadline would be April while Sutherland stated that February was a better deadline date.

Police Dept. Issues:

Mayor Collesano stated that the Village was not sure what figures are being distributed. The Village had heard the figure of \$294,500 was in the budget. Was the figure to go back to \$240,000?

Reiter said that to date the first payment received was for \$120,000.

On Motion of Councilman Winkley, Seconded by Palmer with all in agreement the Boards went into an Executive Session.

Also Present: Deputy Sup. G. Catlin; Town Atty. M. Dowd; Village Atty. E. Jesella; Village Atty. E. Jesella

Items Discussed:

1. Substations/Residents
2. 2012 Village Festivals Costs
3. Contract Amounts for 2012-2013 & 2013-2014.
4. December Joint Meeting.

Marra MOVED to exit Executive Session and reconvene. Seconded by Bax and carried

Marra MOVED that the Village of Lewiston contribution for the 2011/2012 Police Dept. be set at \$250,000.* The contribution for the 2012-2013 year be set at \$284,000. Motion carried unan. *(\$120,000 has been received.)

Meeting adjourned by mutual agreement at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted & Transcribed by:


Carol J. Brandon, Town Clerk