

**PRESENT:** Supervisor S. Broderick; Dep. Sup. B. Conrad; Councilmembers W. Geiben; J. Jacoby, R. Morreale & J. Myers; Atty. A. Bax; Eng. B. Lannon; Chief F. Previte; Finance Dir. J. Agnello; Highway Supt. M. Zahno; Water Foreman D. Zahno; Historian M. Maggard and Dep. Clerk C. Schroeder

**ZOOM ATTENDEES:** Bldg. Insp. T. Masters; Dep. Bldg. Insp. E. Zimmerman; Sr. Coordinator M. Olick and 1 press (NFP).

The Supervisor called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent reflection.

*AGENDA:* Additions: Morreale: WPC - New Hire Training. Geiben: Police Agreement.

**Geiben MOVED the agenda, as amended. Seconded by Morreale and carried 5-0.**

*APPROVAL OF MINUTES:*

**Geiben MOVED to approve the minutes of 2/27/2023 – RTBM. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

**ABSTRACT: Morreale MOVED to approve the Regular Abstract of Claims Numbered 22-03809 and 23-00447 thru 23-00618 and recommended payment in the amount of \$825,218.14 plus a post-audit of \$104,004.48. Seconded by Geiben and carried 5-0.**

*OLD/PENDING BUSINESS* – None

*NEW BUSINESS - Clerk's Correspondence:* The Clerk's office received notification on 3/6 from the Niagara Falls Country Club on their intent to renew their alcoholic beverage license for on-premise consumption at the Halfway House and Beverage/Golf Cart.

Notification marked Received and Filed.

*DEPARTMENT HEAD STATEMENTS:*

Police: Chief Previte said they have two recruits who are currently at the Police Academy. One of the recruits, Cody Bruyere, was selected by the Academy staff as the President. Both of them are representing the Town and department very well.

Water: Foreman Dan Zahno said they have a Pressure Regulating Pit that is in severe need of replacement. It is leaking and falling apart. He budgeted for this in 2022. He would like to get this replaced sooner than later.

Broderick said GHD would need to write up a proposal on what it is going to cost to design it and send it out to bid.

Broderick directed the Town Engineer to provide the Town with a proposal on the Pressure Regulating Pit project, along with engineering costs. This will be addressed at the next meeting

Highway: Supt. Zahno said he hired a new MEO-1 from the N.C. Highway Dept. Jonathan Pressley will start on March 20, 2023.

Seniors: Coordinator Olick invited everyone to the St. Patrick's Day celebration on Friday, March 17, beginning at 11:00 a.m. They will be having Irish music and snacks.

Recreation: Broderick said they are still searching for a Recreation Director. Niagara County Civil Service does not have a valid list to go off of. The Town has posted the job on-line. They are also in the process of contacting SUNY Brockport as they have a program for recreation that is required by Civil Service.

**BRODERICK**

1. Legal: Nothing
2. Engineer: Nothing
3. Finance: Nothing

Niagara County Contract (Senior Van Services): **Geiben MOVED for approval of the contract with Niagara County for Senior Van Services and authorized the Supervisor to sign said contract. Seconded by Jacoby and carried 5-0.**

Forest Management Plan: As part of acquiring Stonehaven Camp, Broderick said the Town qualified for a \$300,000 DEC Grant. This \$1,000,000 grant went across New York State. The Town got the lion's share of it at \$300,000. Because of that, the Town has several hoops to jump thru to get the grant. One of them is a Forest Management Plan. Broderick said the Town needs to approve the Plan.

**Geiben MOVED to approve the Forest Management Plan, as presented and authorized the Supervisor to sign said Plan. Seconded by Morreale and carried 5-0.**

Atty. Bax said this is a Plan the Town has adopted to ensure the Park remains "Forever Green" and is an asset for the residents to use.

Broderick said it is the intention of the Board, and future Boards, because of this Agreement, to keep this land as a preserve. Along with the DEC Grant, the Town acquired a Greenway Ecological Grant of \$226,200. The Ecological Grant is above and beyond the Greenway Money the Town gets annually. The total amount of grant funding is \$526,200, the Town received on a park the Town purchased for \$665,000, which means the Town paid \$138,800 for the park. The purchase also includes a \$35,000-\$40,000 tractor. That brings the Town's commitment to the park – a 69-acre parcel of land to \$100,000 even. Broderick said they should be closing on the property in the next few weeks.

Geiben thanked the Supervisor for his leadership and his connections to be able to secure these two grants.

Broderick said the property will be known as the Town of Lewiston Stonehaven Preserve.

GEIBEN:

Seasonal Laborer: **Geiben MOVED to hire William Krell, Seasonal Laborer, P/T at the Senior Center for 6-months at \$15.50/hr. Seconded by Morreale and carried 5-0.** Starting date to be determined by the Senior Coordinator.

Police Agreement: Geiben asked the Attorney if he heard anything from Village Atty. Leone relating to an outline of the Police Agreement. Bax said he did not but will reach out to him.

Geiben suggested the Supervisor set a meeting with Councilman Jacoby, the Village Mayor and her designee to discuss the agreement. He suggested the meeting be held prior to the Town Board meeting. Broderick said he would reach out to the Village to schedule that.

JACOBY: Nothing to Report

MORREALE:

WPCC: Morreale said he had a meeting with Jeff Ritter about sending his newest employee, Nick Conde, to school to obtain his CDL license at a cost of \$5,900. Funds to come from contractual.

**Morreale MOVED for approval. Seconded by Geiben and carried 5-0.**

MYERS: Myers said the Sanborn Area Historical Society will hold an Antique Show & Sale on March 18 (Sat) 9 to 4 and March 19 (Sun) 10 – 4 at the Farm Museum. There is a \$3.00 admission for the 2-day event.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: No one spoke.

**Geiben MOVED to adjourn. Seconded by Morreale and carried 5-0.** Time: 6:17 p.m.

Transcribed and  
Respectfully submitted by:

Carole N. Schroeder  
Deputy Town Clerk