

February 9, 2022  
Town of Lyme  
Regular Monthly Meeting 6:30 P.M.

**Call to Order:**

Supervisor Countryman called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present included Supervisor Countryman, Deputy Supervisor Bourquin, Councilmember Gosier, Councilmember Farrell, Town Clerk Ariana Henderson, Highway Superintendent Weston, Bruce Kingsley, Jennifer Kingsley, Gregor Smith and McKenzie Lehman.

**Privilege of the Floor**

**Legislator William Johnson:** There was nothing new to discuss. He is the new chairman of the Jefferson County Legislators.

**Supervisor's Report**

**Resolution 2022-22:** Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve the January Supervisor's Monthly Financial report; Councilmember Farrell seconded the motion; all were in favor; motion carried.

**Highway Superintendent's Report**

There was no report.

**Clerk's Report**

Monthly Receipts were as follow: Total Local Shares Remitted: \$168.00; Total State County & Local Revenues: \$170.00 Total Non – Local Revenues: \$2.00

**Audit of the Bills (Abstracts #3 & #4)**

**Resolution 2022-23:** Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve Abstract #3 in the amount of \$12,556.82; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

**Resolution 2022-24:** Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve Abstract #4 in the amount of \$73,975.25; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

**Approval of the Minutes**

**Resolution 2022-25:** Councilmember Gosier made a motion to approve January 12, 2022 Minutes; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

## Committee Reports

### Assessor's Report:

**Resolution 2022-26:** Councilmember Gosier made a motion to accept Susan Locy resignation for the Board of Assessment review; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

### Municipal Water Board Report:

**Resolution 2022-27:** Councilmember Gosier made a motion to advertise for the public hearing for the 2022 water rates for March 9, 2022 at 6:25 p.m.; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

### Planning Board:

There was no meeting in January.

### Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA):

There was no ZBA Report.

### Youth Commission:

There was no meeting in January. Tammy McIntosh will be added as the school representative on the committee.

### ZEO/CEO Report:

Jim Millington submitted his mileage and activity through email for January. There were no questions.

### TMB Cemetery:

Councilmember Gosier stated that there was no business.

Supervisor Countryman met with Heather Lipczynski regarding the New Cedar Grove Cemetery and Old Cedar Grove cemetery. They discussed abandoning the cemeteries and the Town would have to take over the cemetery. Councilmember Gosier stated that they have tried twice before. Heather is worried about covering the cost of mowing this summer. They have money in the bank from donations. Councilmember Gosier said that the cemetery donations can't be spent. Only the interest in the account can be spent according to the law. All of the money in their account can be spent when the Town takes over. This is the process the Three Mile Bay Cemetery went through.

### Cape Vincent Ambulance:

Supervisor Countryman reported that the Cape Vincent Ambulance is moving along quickly. They will be advertising for the Town of Lyme Resident position on their board. Charlie Mount will need to formerly apply to be considered for the position.

## New Business:

### Veterans Park REDI Grant Bid:

Veterans Memorial Public Park bids are scheduled to be opened March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Gregor Smith explained that there was two ways to get reimbursed through REDI for the project The first option is the Town can make payments to the contractors and get reimbursed. The second way is to create a bank account for the REDI project and we submit invoices to DASNY for payment to the contractors. Councilmember Gosier asked if the payment would be held up if the Town chose the 2<sup>nd</sup> option. She reminded the Board that the Addie Jenny money is supposed to be used for the parks. She would like a copy of the Town Park Plans by email. The Board agreed to have Robin Grovesteen starting the process to use the Addie Jenny of \$125,000.00 for the Park.

### Three Mile Bay Water Tower Painting:

Gregor Smith stated that there is no new information on the water tower painting. The bid opening is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. March 3, 2022.

### Point Salubrious Water District Extension:

Supervisor Countryman read the Water Board Minutes. The options in regards to the potential Point Salubrious Water District are:

- 1.) Have the residents re-do a petition so that it is valid
- 2.) Perform a survey
- 3.) Give Bernier and Carr the permission to start the study for \$5,000.00

Supervisor Countryman said Warren Johnson stated that they could collect the \$5,000.00 between a few residents that have offered to pay. There are also people who are interested in signing the petition that didn't. Supervisor Countryman stated that any water district is an improvement for the Town. Councilmember Farrell agreed. Councilmember Gosier suggested having Bernier and Carr update the study so the residents have an updated cost for water per EDU. After the study is complete the information can be distributed to the residents.

**Resolution 2022-28:** Deputy Supervisor Bourquin made the motion to spend \$5,000.00 for Bernier and Carr to update the Point Salubrious Water District study; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

### Three Mile Bay Water District Extension:

Gregor Smith reported that the Sally Port Development is outside the Three Mile Bay Water District. The district will need to be extended for them to have water service. Gregor did reach out to our attorney regarding the SEQR and district extension. Clerk Henderson stated that Sally Port has paid the \$5,000.00 to cover the necessary costs. The Board may want to hold a special meeting to cover the long SEQR form before the April meeting. Sally Port will be responsible for bringing the water lines from the road to their building. Lance Development will follow the same process. Deputy Supervisor Bourquin asked what the pipe requirement size was. Gregor answered that they were looking to get fire protection as well so it would need to be 8 inch line. There was further discussion regarding the water lines.

**Resolution 2022-29:** Councilmember Gosier made the motion to have a special board meeting at 3:00 p.m. on March 3, 2022; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

### **Old Business:**

#### **BAR Appointment:**

There has been one application for the Board of Assessment Review. We need to formerly advertise for the two opens positions on the board.

**Resolution 2022-30:** Councilmember Farrell made the motion to advertise for two positions on the Board of Assessment Review Board.; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

#### **Park Committee:**

There has been several requests from residents that a Park Committee be formed for Veteran's Memorial Public Park. There was also a resident request to use the park for a fitness class. Councilmember Gosier offered to contact other towns to see what policies they have in place for their parks. She also feels that a Town Board member should be on the committee. Supervisor Countryman feels that the citizens should decide what policies are put into place at the park. Deputy Supervisor Bourquin feels like the Board has had enough input on the park. Councilmember Farrell agreed. The only issue that the Board had regarding the fitness class was that there may be construction going on when the weather improves. If there is than the fitness class could use Bi-Centennial Park.

#### **Zoning Law Revisions:**

There is a zoom meeting scheduled for February 15, 2022 with Barton and Loguidice to work on revising the Zoning Law.

#### **Work Force Worker:**

Councilmember Countryman would like to pursue the workforce program. Deputy Supervisor Bourquin mentioned that there are several things the workers are not permitted to do. Supervisor Countryman believes there are several jobs that could be assigned. He will speak with Highway Superintendent Pat Weston and look into getting more information.

#### **Clayton Training Sessions:**

Supervisor Countryman stated that the Town of Clayton is holding various training session including Sexual Harassment training required by New York State and some for the Highway Department. The training will be held April 19, 2022.

### **Online Privilege of the Floor**

There was no online privilege of the floor.

Privilege of the Floor

There was no privilege of the floor.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Adjournment

**Resolution 2022-31:** Councilmember Gosier a made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried; meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Ariana Henderson*

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Town Clerk