

## Official Minutes

A joint meeting of the Town and Village Boards of the Town of Lima, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 7329 East Main Street, Lima, New York, on the 18th day of August 2020 at 6 PM. Notice published in the Sentinel and Town of Lima website.

PRESENT: Supervisor, Michael Falk  
Councilperson, Leta Button – arrived at 6:23PM  
Councilperson, Bruce Mayer  
Councilperson, Jon Belec  
Town Clerk, Jennifer Heim  
Mayor, John Correll – via telephone  
Village Trustee, Jerry Warsaw  
Village Trustee, John Wadach  
Village Attorney, Matt Lenehan

Excused: Highway Superintendent, Keith Arner  
Town Attorney, Jim Campbell  
Councilperson, Bill Carey  
Department of Public Works, Ben Luft  
Village Trustee, Joe Schwing  
Village Trustee, John Kattato

Guest(s): John Beiter, Blake Petraitis & Chrissy Petraitis

Supervisor Falk called the meeting to order at 6PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Eagle Project – Blake Petraitis**

Blake presented to the board an Eagle Scout project to add additional horseshoe pits at the Mark Tubbs Park with funding by the Rotary. After discussion all were in favor and agreed more details, planning and costs would be needed before approval.

### **Village Input for Town of Lima Budget 2021**

Supervisor Falk and Mayor Correll discussed costs for fireworks, fire, ambulance services, brush grinding, youth program for 2021, Village water

project costs for phase 2 and Village water project costs for phase 3. After discussion it was agreed to double the firework display next year at a total cost of \$8,000, a 50/50 split between the Town \$4,000 and the Village \$4,000.

Fire Protection costs of \$95,000 to be paid by the Town to the Village and

Ambulance services will be discussed further to determine what fees the Town will be paying to the Village as they are uncertain at the time of the joint meeting.

Brush grinding, Mayor Correll was uncertain at this time.

Summer Recreation Youth Program was discussed by members of both boards; however, with the COVID pandemic HFL School Director of Community Programs, Ari Freedman-Weiss, has not announced whether they will have a Summer Recreation Youth Program next year.

Village water tower renovation was discussed by Mayor Correll, indicating they are still waiting for the electric panel to be installed and again because of the COVID it is difficult to get parts. Total cost of 1.16 million. Mayor Correll stated this project should be completed by the end of October.

The 15A project was discussed and Mayor Correll anticipates this project to get started in 2021. Correll will know the breakdown of cost to the Town once bids are received and discussion is had with Pat Nicoletta, Engineers for the Village, to determine what portion of costs is Town and what portion is paid by the Village.

### **Town Hall Renovations**

Supervisor Falk mentioned the new elevator to be installed at Town Hall that will reach the stage with handicap accessibility. During this construction there will be temporary front doors to facilitate a push door entrance. All meetings will be contained to the 1<sup>st</sup> floor. Elections will still be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor as well. The Food Pantry will remain open, utilizing side doors in the front of Town Hall. Said project should be completed in 3 to 4 months.

## **Park Update**

Trustee Wadach explained ideas for a parking layout at Mark Tubbs Park. Wadach will get some plans, amount of time to complete these project and costs together to discuss at a later date. Wadach was informed that Highway Superintendent will be retiring so he will not be involved with any work plans with this project. Wadach went on to say Arner did an exceptional job with anything he did.

Mayor Correll mentioned coach McCaffrey complained about the amount of dog feces on the baseball field. After discussion Trustee Wadach volunteered to pick-up the feces until baseball season is over and the dog fence is installed for the dog park.

Horseshoe pit project is complete per Trustee Wadach, complete with flower boxes as well.

Dog park project, Supervisor Falk mentioned the drainage tiles have been installed and the town has paid invoice. Dennis Neenan will provide the equipment to install the fence in the fall or winter.

Mayor Correll mentioned the grant from AARP was rejected without explanation. This grant was to help fund the dog park, trails and picnic tables at the park. After discussion the board agreed to share the cost and purchase 4 picnic tables. Upon Trustee Warsaw to purchase the tables, seconded by Councilperson Mayer, the vote went as follows:

CARRIED                      Ayes: 7 Falk, Mayer, Button, Belec, Correll, Wadach, Warsaw  
   Nays: 0

Mayor Correll agreed to make the purchase of the picnic tables.

Councilperson Button discussed accessible play equipment for Mark Tubbs Park. She mentioned reaching out to the community for play equipment ideas, creating a committee, funding, etc. Trustee Wadach suggested Councilperson Button reach out to Marcye Bears of Bears Playgrounds first as she has helped the community before. Councilperson Button will reach out to Bears and try to get a committee formed. Further discussion will be held.

Upon motion by Councilperson Carey to adjourn at 8:30PM, seconded by Councilperson Mayer, the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Jennifer Heim, CMC/RMC  
Lima Town Clerk