

## 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 7th day of March 2023 at 6:00 PM. Notice was published in the Sentinel.

Present: TOWN: Supervisor Michael Falk, Deputy Supervisor Leta Button, Councilperson Bill Carey, Councilperson Mark Petroski, Councilperson Andy Torpey, Town Clerk Jennifer Heim, Town Attorney Jim Campbell, CEO/Building Inspector Charlie Johnson, Highway Superintendent John Sokolofsky. VILLAGE: Mayor John Skiptunas, Deputy Mayor John Wadach, Trustee Brian Smith, Trustee Josh Petraitis, Trustee Carolyn Fleming, DPW Ben Luft

Guests: See Attached Sign-In Sheet Below

Supervisor Falk called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Board Meeting Protocols**

Supervisor Falk read Town Board meeting protocols as follows:

“The Town of Lima follows NYS Open Meetings Law procedures. All meetings of the Town Board are duly noticed and open and accessible to the public. The public is there to witness the proceedings only. In the event of a Public Hearing, people may sign in and speak to the board and those assembled regarding the hearing topic for a maximum of 5 minutes once per board meeting. Speaking time belongs only to the speaker and may not be re-assigned to someone else. Privileges of the floor may be granted to anyone who wishes to address the board on any topic at all. In order for the public to be properly noticed the Privileges of the Floor must be applied for and approved by five calendar days prior to the Board meeting date. Privileges of the floor are not to exceed 20 minutes. Approval authority for privileges of the floor is held by the Supervisor or the Deputy Supervisor if the Supervisor is unavailable”

Trustee Wadach made a motion to allow the public to speak, seconded by Trustee Fleming. Supervisor Falk voiced the concern that other members of the public were not notified to have the opportunity to speak, the motion went as follows:

CARRIED    Ayes: 5        Skiptunas, Wadach, Petraitis, Fleming, Smith, Carey  
              Nays: 4        Falk, Button, Petroski, Torpey

### **Approve the Agenda**

Upon motion by Councilperson, Button to approve the joint meeting agenda, seconded by Mayor Skiptunas, the vote was unanimous.

### **Village Budget Input**

Mayor Skiptunas stated they are currently working on their budget.

### **Zoning, ADU (accessory dwelling units) and the Future**

Supervisor Falk discussed items from a NYS conference he attended where he learned about Governor Hochul's proposed mandates. If we don't have 1 % growth over the next 3 years, we will lose control over our local zoning to NYS. ADU's are one way to make up the percentage needed. The Governor will remove the R1 zoning class across NYS and make it all R6 if we do not meet NYS requirements.

### **Combined Town & Village Cleanup Days**

The Town & Village Cleanup Days will be May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 6<sup>th</sup> from 8AM – Noon. Permits can be obtained from the Town Clerks office during regular business hours. Invoices will be split between Town and Village. Costs are not certain with the new company Casella. Supervisor Falk will advise Mayor Skiptunas once the amount is known. The town will pay for the electronics portion.

### **4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration – Fireworks at Mark Tubbs Park**

Supervisor Falk stated the contract for fireworks was signed September 2022 with the cost being \$8,800 with the same show as last year. The Town and Village will split the costs.

### **Proposed Water District #5**

Discussion was held. Trustee Wadach asked why the Village didn't know about the Town connecting to Village water. Supervisor Falk mentioned there has been discussion for eighteen months and the information was there. Trustee Wadach referenced Supervisor Falk's message on the Town website

regarding “the Avon water Tower is reaching the end of its life, and this will have an impact on the Village water system.” Supervisor Falk said he received this information after speaking to Supervisor David LeFeber. Still referencing Supervisor Falk’s message on the website regarding “Not all Village of Lima out of district users are equal, but they all pay the same rate – a rate that is higher than the users inside the Village borders are charged.” Trustee Wadach stated the village is not ripping people off and the rates for the proposed district #5 water district will be much higher than the rates currently charged by the Village.

Mayor Skiptunas stated he supports those that want the water and those who do not. Supervisor Falk mentioned everyone in the district will be included.

**Speakers:** Ron Blodgett, Lee DeKramer, Jean Beutner

Upon motion by Councilperson Petroski to adjourn the joint meeting at 7:17PM, seconded by Councilperson Skiptunas, the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Jennifer Heim, CMC/RMC, Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

DATE: MARCH 7, 2023

| Name              | Title | Address           |
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| Andy Mouch        |       | Heath Markham Rd  |
| Mike Neenan       |       |                   |
| CC Gardner        |       | Corby Rd          |
| Marty Gardner     |       | "                 |
| <del>Burt G</del> |       | 6577 Woodruff Rd  |
| Rob Beutner       |       | 2049 Rainbow Lane |
| Bob Finucane      |       | 6790 Teaks Rd     |
| Jeanne Butner     |       | 2049 Rainbow Lane |
| Lo DeKramer       |       | 2009 Dorset Blvd  |
| Ken Brodson       |       | 1550 BRACE ST     |
| Jan Cates         |       | 1589 York         |
| Mindi Lewis       |       | 2437 Clay St      |
| Louise Lewis      |       | 2520 Clay St      |
| Stephen Werner    |       | 7280 Kober Drive  |
| WAYNE CHILDS      |       | 7625 E. MAIN ST.  |
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