

# TOWN OF LLOYD TOWN BOARD

## WORKSHOP MEETING

MAY 2, 2018

**Present:** Councilmember Leonard Auchmoody **Also present:** Rosaria Peplow, Town Clerk  
Councilmember Michael Guerriero Kate Jonietz, Secretary  
Councilmember Claire Winslow

**Absent:** Supervisor Paul Hansut \*  
Councilmember Joseph Mazzetti

**5:00 PM** – Deputy Supervisor Auchmoody opened the meeting and asked everyone to remain standing after the pledge of allegiance for a moment of silence for Joseph “Jodi” Pavero, III who was on the Town of Lloyd Board of Assessment Review since 2002 and recently passed away. He asked Councilmember Winslow to led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1. REPORTS

**Finance** – Karen McPeck, Bookkeeper to the Supervisor

**Assessor** – Jennifer Mund

Jennifer Mund reported that the Tentative Assessment Roll has been filed and there is a copy in her office available for review Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 4 PM. After Ulster County updates their webpage link to the roll, she will make it available on the Town website.

Grievance Day is Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4PM to 8 PM.

She said they will miss Jodi Pavero, member of the Board of Assessment Review. He was competent, reliable and made a difficult time a little easier.

The Final Assessment Roll will be filed with Ulster County on July 1 after grievances have been settled.

The Final Assessors Report will be balanced and will also be filed on July 1<sup>st</sup> with Ulster County and New York State and that will end her portion of this tax year.

The process starts over on July 1<sup>st</sup> and it will be another busy year with all the new construction in Town.

There hasn't been any information from the New York State about the changes to the Enhanced Star Program. She hopes to receive information over the summer so she knows how to direct people when they come to apply or renew. There are multiple layers of exemptions that she used to administer and now the state is going to administer. A lot of people who will be affected are the people who really need the exemption and those who are alone and don't have anyone to help them through the process. Her office will be doing a lot of outreach this year.

**Building & Zoning Department** – David Barton

David Barton reported that revenue is a bit down partly because of the burn ban; they cannot issue burn permits. CO and Violation searches are up because people are buying houses. The Town receives a small percentage of the mortgage tax when people purchase homes so could mean a small windfall for the town. This was a large amount of money in 2007 because the housing market was raging.

There is a resolution on tonight's agenda to set a Public Hearing for June 20<sup>th</sup> on Local Law E Adaptive Reuse. The Planning Board unanimously voted to rescind the language for Adaptive Reuse as opposed to a moratorium which tends to be open ended. The Planning Board will then take the time to review the current Comprehensive Plan.

He and Kate Jonietz, Secretary to the Supervisor, have been discussing the wireless microphones they are currently using during meetings. These microphones are designed to talk right up close to them and the audience and home audience cannot always hear the person speaking. They want to replace the current conference table, which was a hand me down, and get tables which are wired. Kate has a proposal for the table and new microphones. The microphones are called boundary mikes, “pucks”. They are on the table like a disc and pick up sound 360 degrees. The pucks are wireless and can be placed anywhere, they will be especially useful for big meetings. Even if one or two were covered with a map or papers, the other mikes on the table would pick up all of the conversation. The proposal is for eight microphones and the table.

Kate Jonietz said the biggest problem with the current microphones is that they are wired directly to the channel (television). They are designed to pick up within 8 inches. If someone talks close to the microphone it is loud in the room which make it louder on the TV but speaking away from the microphone the channel does not pick up the sound. The Planning and Zoning Boards are busy during their meetings reading maps that they are not cognizant to speak into the microphones. They are still waiting for other quotes because they want to get the pucks that match the wireless adapters that are in the soundboard so they do not have to replace those.

The new tables will be collapsible and stackable. They will also replace the chairs with banquet style chairs that are also stackable. The vendor, W.B. Mason, is a town supplier and on the state bid list. The price is 60% off retail and will be approximately \$10,000.00.

Barton thanked Adam Litman, Water and Sewer Administrator, who brought him records he found at the Water Plant that they thought had been lost. He and Adam are going to digitize the Water Department files and attach them to Section, Block and Lot so that 30 years from now if someone has a question about some installation they will have the maps and all the information. They have the equipment to digitize in the building department. They will return the hard copy and digitized copy to the Water/Sewer Department and also have the information in the Municipality Program which is a parcel tracking software.

They are currently using GIS to map all the Fire Hydrants so that when Litman does his flow test they can attach flow pressure to a hydrant, which will help the fire department know what hydrant has the best flow.

Mark Reynolds, reporter asked what the goal is for the meeting room.

Barton responded that currently when they project on the screen behind the board members, the board members are blinded by the light of the projector. They would like to mount two large scale 50" T.V.s on pivoting arms so one can be turned to the board members and one to the audience and then the presenter could feed the information that is being discussed such as maps and site plans directly from his laptop.

Jeff Wagner, resident 3 Tillson Ave., asked if the language in the Adaptive Reuse code could be modified instead of rescinding the entire code.

Barton responded that the Planning Board considered three options to recommend to the Town Board; one was to consider a moratorium which could be opened ended and would drag out. The second was to do a rewrite of the law and hope that no one showed up to use adaptive reuse because their application would go under the existing law. The last was to take out all the language. Most of the buildings on the adaptive reuse list have no historic value and nothing that could realistically be saved. The Planning Board feels that eliminating the language completely is best.

Claire Winslow, councilmember, commended the Planning Board members for attending a seminar on Adaptive Reuse, which she felt couldn't have been better timing. They have taken the opportunity to educate themselves and have done the right thing by eliminating the language completely.

Leonard Auchmoody, Councilmember, said that in the seventeen plus years since the Adaptive Reuse has been adopted it has only been used three times.

**Dog Control – Andrew McKee**

**Highway – Superintendent Richard Klotz**

Richard Klotz reported his department is doing a lot of clean up and will start paving on Monday.

He said they asked for \$50,000.00 but received \$37,000.00 from FEMA; NY State usually pays 25% but is only giving 12% which is \$6,000.00.

Lenny Auchmoody, Councilmember said the company that is grinding the sidewalks at Bridgeview is doing a great job. He asked Klotz if the sidewalk pieces that sit too high for grinding could be picked out.

Klotz responded that they could not because the trees have to be removed first.

**Justice – Eugene Rizzo/Terry Elia**

**Police – Chief Daniel Waage**

Chief Waage read the following report

**PATROL ACTIVITIES:**

CALLS FOR SERVICE-----	815
OTHER/PUBLIC SERVICE-----	316
ACCIDENTS-----	37
TICKETS (PARKING/UTT'S) -----	72 (3 parking) (69 UTT'S)
ARRESTS-----	47

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FOOT PATROL-----HAMLET (OFFICER/SGT) -----Approx. 190 hrs.  
SCHOOLS (OFFICERS/SGT)-----Approx. 95 hrs.  
FOOT PATROL-----HAMLET (CHIEF/LT.)-----Approx. 4 hrs.  
SCHOOLS (CHIEF/LT.)-----Approx. 12 hrs.

**April 03<sup>rd</sup>** –Town of Lloyd Police Youth Rec. League took place. Members of the Town of Lloyd Police Department joined approx. 20 children from the community and played kickball, soccer and basketball.

**April 4<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>** - Lt. Janso presented veterans at Hudson Valley Rehab and Wingate at Ulster with a star from an American Flag (stars were removed from American Flag's that were taken out of service) and a red, white and blue ribbon in appreciation for their service.

**April 05<sup>th</sup>** - Detective Maggie Waage (Ulster County Sheriff's Office) presented Crimes against Children to the Civilian Police Academy.

**April 11<sup>th</sup>** - Lloyd Police Civilian Police Academy took place. Sr. ADA Elizabeth Culmone-Mills (Ulster County District Attorney's Office) presented on the topic of Domestic Violence.

**April 11<sup>th</sup>** – Lloyd Police assisted at a planned lock down drill and K-9 training at the Highland High School and Highland Middle School.

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** -Officer John Zani received an award from Ulster County STOP DWI for being Ulster County's Second Place Municipal Top Cop Award Recipient. Chief Waage and Officer Zani attended awards luncheon.

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** - Ms. Felicello's Flex Class (Highland High School) came to our Headquarters to meet our members and take a tour of the station.

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** –Lt. Janso and Sgt. Roloson brought spaghetti dinners to members of project care / senior citizens. Dinners were purchased from the Highland Middle School Fundraiser to support their school trip to Boston

**April 18<sup>th</sup>** - Lt. Janso, Sgt. Roloson, Sgt. Kalimeras, Officer Zani and Officer Day instructed on the topics of Community Policing and Traffic Stops to the Lloyd Police Civilian Police Academy.

**April 20<sup>th</sup>** - members of the Town of Lloyd Police Department, Highland Fire Department, Mobile Life & Torson's Funeral Home assisted Highland High School with a mock DWI accident to demonstrate the consequences and tragedy of impaired driving prior to prom.

**April 21<sup>st</sup>** - Highland Fire Dept. Annual Dinner took place and was attended by Sgt. Roloson.

**April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>** -Chief Waage, Lt. Janso and Officer Burns read to second and fourth grade classes for the Highland Elementary School for their PARP program.

**April 25<sup>th</sup>** -Chief Waage, Sgt. Kalimeras and Sgt. Scott instructed on the topic of DWI for the Lloyd Police Civilian Police Academy. During the Mock DWI Accident the Town of Lloyd Police were assisted by Highland Fire Department, Mobile Life Support Services and Torson's Funeral Home. Vehicles donated by Premier Auto Body.

**April 28<sup>th</sup>** - members of the Town of Lloyd Police Department joined members Town of New Paltz Police Department and the New York State Police for "A Hero for Heroes" Special Olympic Event. Participants had an opportunity to interact with members of law enforcement and then close the day out with an obstacle course competition. Lt. Janso and his partner Eric Fernandes won first place in the "A Hero for Heroes" obstacle course competition.

### **Recreation/Buildings & Grounds – Frank Alfonso**

#### **Town Clerk – Rosaria Peplow**

Rosaria Peplow stated that before she gave her report she wanted to thank David Barton for working with Adam Litman to create a GIS layer of the Highland Water and Sewer District lines. Sandi Avampato was the Planning and Zoning Secretary. She and I obtained a Records Management Grant from the NYS Department of Education years ago for Record Management. The Grant was to do a feasibility study on implementing GIS at the Town level. The Town of Lloyd took the lead and joined with the Town of Esopus, Marlborough and Plattekill.

The Town of Lloyd was the first town to have its tax maps digitized. Ulster County took the digitized map in exchange for updating the town's map at no charge in the future. The plan was to have layers created of the roads in the Town of Lloyd. The Highland Water and Sewer lines fire hydrants., etc. She researched and gave copies of all the improvements of the water and sewer line contracts to Ray Jurkowski, Morris Associates. This was preliminary to having the water and sewer lines on a digitized map. She was so pleased that this was finally happening and was anxious to call Sandi and let her know.

#### **Tax Collection**

- \$1,569,062.86 for taxes was paid to the Commissioner of Finance.
- Unpaid tax bills reminders were mailed to property owners on April 30, 2018. My office will collect taxes until June 1, 2018.

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NYS Town Clerks' Conference some highlights of some of the workshops attended

- Association of Towns of New York State- Lori Mithen-DeMasi, Counsel and Sara Brancatella Associate Counsel.

The New York State FY 2019 Budget authorizes local governments to establish charitable gift reserve funds and to offer real property tax credits to incentivize contributions to these new local charitable funds. This is an optional program available to counties, cities, towns, villages and school districts. • Any locality that opts to participate is required to adopt a local law or resolution. • The participating locality may also adopt a local law or resolution authorizing a real property tax credit of up to 95 percent of the value of the contribution, to be applied against the real property taxes of the contributor. The locality may choose to establish a limit on the amount or percentage of such credit to be allowed in any given fiscal year. • The governing board or the chief fiscal officer of the locality must establish a procedure for contributions to the fund.

- Rising Cemetery Abandonment and Mandated Town Management

One hundred seventy-five (175) cemeteries have failed in NYS since 1990. 74% are underfunded.

Ways to prevent closure

1. General Municipal Law 165 authorizes Towns to assist not for profit cemeteries. A cash amount not to exceed \$1500 but it was recommended that the Town provide support by mowing, removing felled trees and providing bookkeeper services.
2. Not for Profit Law 1506-c. Abandoned cemetery maintenance by cemetery corporations.

Upon application and approval by the cemetery board, a cemetery corporation may assume management and maintenance of an abandoned cemetery.

- Freedom of Information Law, Robert Freeman, Director, NYS Committee on Open Government. She downloaded the updated pamphlet *Your Right to Know* and placed copies of it each Department's mailbox and also sent it to the Departments and to the local newspaper reporters via email.

- NYS DOH Marriage Licensing, Jim O'Connor, Vital records Field Representative Changes in issuing marriage license regarding the age requirements

1. If either applicant is under 17 years of age, a marriage license cannot be issued.
2. If either applicant is 17 years of age, such applicant(s) must present the written consent of both parents and a justice of the Supreme Court or a judge of the Family Court having jurisdiction over the town or city in which the application is made.

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- 341 Transfer Station permits have been issued to date.
- \$525 Summer Fun registrations
- \$200 Tony Williams, Berean Park, Village Field rentals
- \$522.46 in Sporting licenses sold, the Town's commission is \$30.54
- \$10,537.00 from Transfer Station

\*5:40PM Hansut arrived

**Water & Sewer** – Adam Litman

Not present

**Supervisor** – Paul Hansut

Supervisor said that he will bring back Tri-Board meetings of the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Town Board. The language of a possible adaptive reuse law will be discussed. He wants all Boards to take part in this discussion as the fault tends to fall back on the Town Board when something goes wrong with a law. He put copies of the 2013 Comprehensive Plan in all the Town Board members mail boxes and there will also, be Tri-Board meetings to review and revise that document.

**2. OLD BUSINESS**

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Insurance renewal – Dave LaVoie**

Supervisor stated that he met with insurance representative and the increase this year will be 17.34%. He received an email and hard copy of comparisons of other insurances that are available and he will distribute to everyone.

**4. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Alex Cacchio, Employee Town of Lloyd Highway Department, said he has worked for the Town for 13 years, has lived in Lloyd for 30 years and he is the CSEA President. He read the article in the newspaper about the town parking lot being named in memory of the late Frank Lombardi, former Highway Superintendent. He said he would like to suggest that the Town Highway building be named for Frank. He felt that Frank's name should be at the Highway Department since that is where his heart and soul were. He was a special man and loved by this community

Hansut responded that there were other Highway Superintendents and thanked him for his comments.

Mike Guerriero suggested that they get compile a list of the previous highway superintendents and list them outside of the Highway Department.

**5. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS**

**A. MOTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero to authorize closing of the following streets for the Seventh Annual Springfest to be held on Saturday, May 19, 2018 from 8:00 AM to 9 PM: all of Main Street and Vineyard Avenue from Milton Avenue to 54 Vineyard Avenue to Woodside Place. No overnight parking permitted on these streets starting Friday, May 18, 2018.

**Four ayes carried.**

**B. MOTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Guerriero to appoint William Brown as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals to complete the unexpired term of Anthony Pavese to expire 12/31/2019.

**Four ayes carried.**

**C. MOTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero to appoint Russ Gilmore as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals to complete the unexpired term of Paul Symes to expire 12/31/2020.

**Four ayes carried.**

**D. MOTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Winslow to authorize closing the following streets: Phillips Avenue north to New Paltz Road easterly to Main Street, along Vineyard Avenue south to Milton Avenue to Van Wagner Avenue to Vineyard Avenue north into the hamlet of Highland for the Memorial Day Parade on Monday May 28, 2018 from 8:00 AM to approximately 11:00 AM.

**Four ayes carried.**

**E. RESOLUTION** made by Guerriero, seconded by Winslow to hire Adam P. Cusa as MEO at the rate of \$20.37 effective 5/14/18 at the recommendation of Richard Klotz, Highway Superintendent, and supported by the Highway Department budget subject to pre-employment physical.

**Roll call:** Winslow, aye; Guerriero, aye; Hansut, aye; Auchmoody, aye.

**Four ayes carried.**

**F. RESOLUTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero

**WHEREAS**, a proposed local law has been drafted as Local Law E - 2018, and is hereby introduced at this meeting as follows (copy of local law attached); and,

**WHEREAS**, this Board will hold a public hearing on the adoption of the said local law attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 12 Church Street, Highland, New York, at 7:00 P.M. on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 2018 with respect to the adoption of the aforesaid local law;
2. **WHEREAS**, this is a Type I action under SEQRA, and Part I of a Full Environmental Assessment Form has been prepared on behalf of the Town Board,

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with the Town Board assuming lead agency to do all necessary reviews in this matter; and

3. The Town Clerk is directed to publish and post a notice of said public hearing in accordance with law and circulate, pursuant to the Town of Lloyd Code and the New York State General Municipal Law, to the Town of Lloyd Planning Board, the Ulster County Planning Board, and any other interested agencies for response prior to the public hearing.

**TOWN OF LLOYD  
ULSTER COUNTY, NEW YORK  
LOCAL LAW E OF THE YEAR 2018**

**A LOCAL LAW TO REPEAL SECTION 100-31 OF  
CHAPTER 100 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF LLOYD**

**Section 1. Purpose**

Chapter 100 of the Code of the Town of Lloyd Entitled “Zoning” is hereby amended by deleting Section 100-31 entitled “Adaptive reuse buildings.” in its entirety.

**Section 2. Effective Date**

This local law shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**Roll call:** Winslow, aye; Guerriero, aye; Hansut, aye; Auchmoody, aye.

**Four ayes carried.**

**G. RESOLUTION** made by Winslow, seconded by Guerriero to amend the 2018 budget as follows:

**HIGHWAY**

CHIPS White Street	5112.80	+\$30,000.00
CHIPS Lower Grand St	5112.81	+\$28,000.00
General Repairs CE	5110.40	-\$58,000.00

**Roll call:** Winslow, aye; Auchmoody, aye; Guerriero, aye; Hansut, aye.

**Four ayes carried.**

**MOTION** made by Auchmoody, seconded by Winslow to adjourn the meeting at 6:00PM.

**Four ayes carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rosaria Schiavone Peplow

Town Clerk