

TOWN OF LEICESTER
WORK BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021
6:00 P.M.

The Leicester Town Board Work Meeting was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at 132 Main Street, Leicester, NY at Leicester Town Hall.

Present: David Fanaro, Town Supervisor; Karen Roffe, Matthew Durbin, Gerald Hull, Joni Santucci, Councilmembers; Russell Page, Highway Superintendent, Amy Neumann, Town Clerk.

Village of Leicester Board: Barry Briffa, Mayor; Ken Rizzo, Donald Jacobs, Mike Constantino, Village Trustees; Kirstie DeGraff, Village Clerk

Others: Jason Molino, Eric Weis, Paula Smith

The Meeting was opened at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge to the Flag led by Supervisor Fanaro.

Town/Village Intermunicipal Agreement: Mayor Briffa thanked Town Board for the invite to Town Board Meeting. Intermunicipal Agreement was signed in May of 2021. The Village Board would like to clarify a couple points in the agreement with the Town. Mayor Briffa asked the Town Board Members if they have read and seen the IMA. They all agreed they had.

Mayor Briffa wanted to know why the work order for the Fire Hall was denied and asked for specifics on protocol when receiving a work order request. Mayor Briffa stated, at the time the Village Board put the request in they did not know how complicated or not the job at fire hall was.

Supervisor Fanaro Answered when a work order is faxed over, it is emailed to Highway Superintendent and the Town Board, from Town Clerk. It is gone over with the Highway Superintendent and Supervisor as well as the Town Board, and if the scope of work is bigger than what Russ is comfortable with and or time allotted, it is denied based on conversations that happen with the Highway Superintendent and Town Board. Most Work orders are not denied

Town Board did not want to take the liability to dig next to a foundation and Supervisor also explained that if the scope of work had changed it should have been presented as such. Mayor Briffa asked that if it was not presented properly in their request that the Town Board or Supervisor should have informed the mayor of this. Supervisor Fanaro said that is not for us to decide how your board writes up work requests. The scope of work did end up being easier than was originally presented.

Mayor Briffa pointed out paragraphs #5 and #8. However, this request, the Highway Superintendent did not feel comfortable, so it was denied. Supervisor said maybe we will have to amend #5 and #8 and Mayor said they may want to amend those as well.

Councilmember, Gerald Hull reiterated that the Town has many miles of ditches and road work to be worked on as well as roads maintained and that is where most of the highway crews time is and should be spent, his opinion.

Supervisor Thanked the Village Board for their presence.

CPL, Eric Weis:

Water/Sewer Updates: Update on existing project with the Rt.36 Water Line. PR Valve situated near Starr Park. Last Part for Finline. Reconnection of services with York. New amendment of

Intermunicipal Agreement with York in James Campbells hands currently for new language. New Road Service Area Looking at summary of 3 different options. Option #1 is 8 Houses on New Road. Option #2 includes 8 houses and Speedway in need of water supply with pumpstation. Option # 3 Another connection to town of York and this provides fire protection and 34 homes as well as speedway and farm. Sending out Survey on web and mailed to the residents for Board feedback to have a direction to go in.

Grant Opportunities: Opportunities would be like we had for Rt 36 Water district, but we must do the work to get in the position to apply for these grants when they become available. Supervisor Fanaro added we want to see growth in this community as well as provide a good source of supply for water as well as quality water.

LCWSA, Jason Malino: County Wide Water is relevant to the Village and the Town. The Source of Supply is being purchased from other municipalities is limited. We are looking at larger water supply and the long-term goal is to get better source of water supply and quality as well as affordable. Common goal between the Village of Mt. Morris and Village of Leicester as well as Town of Leicester to provide this to our community. The Goal is to have an interconnected supply source so that we are never without water for the community, so that if there is ever a failure that we have a backup plan. We must find a way to align the common goals which is to have Quality and Quantity. The more multi-district application we have the better our options. Mayor spoke about the Sam grant he is still waiting on. Jason Malino assured him this is a different kind of grant than the Sam Grant, and not something to be afraid of applying for.

Water and Sewer: Supervisor spoke about the feasibility study that was conducted for Water and Sewer and the presentation that was presented at the time. Supervisor asked the Village Mayor if they have talked about Sewer since then, the answer was no. This Town Boards Goal is to Grow and provide quality water and sewer districts and to move forward.

Eric Weis: 5 years ago, this study was done for sewer. It was packaged different ways to be cost effective. Two lingering questions to answer is, where are we going to treat the sewer and is the Village going to participate. Eric would like to utilize existing structures for treatment and that would be Mount Morris. What does the sewer district look like, where will it be? A sewer district must be formed first to move forward. What properties are in the district. The More units the better the costs. Then apply for the grant funds. Hamlet of Cuylerville qualifies and possibly the Village if interested. Hamlet of Cuylerville has a sewer problem right now. A delay on the Village decision may make the Town decision harder however could still move forward. Set the District boundary is first. Petition method is people in district pass petitions for yes or no vote and what they are willing to pay. Second method is Ballot at Town Hall. Third method is to have Town Board form district on community's behalf, however that is subject to permissive referendum and force it to a vote. Eric would encourage the petition method. We should have the district formed by May 2022.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Court Records Open to Town Board for Audit: Councilmember, Joni Santucci and Councilmember, Matthew Durbin to Examine the Court Records.

Supervisor's Subjects: Meeting with White Creek Solar Investors, Gerald Deming, and Shawn Grasby.

Adjournment: A Motion was made to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:29 p.m. By Councilmember Matthew Durbin and Seconded by Councilmember Karen Roffe. Motion carried. Ayes 5, Noes 0.

Respectfully Submitted
Amy Neumann, Town Clerk