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A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Livonia, County of Livingston and the State of New York was held at the Livonia Town Hall, 35 Commercial Street, Livonia on February 20, 2020.

PRESENT: Eric Gott, Supervisor

Joseph Breu, Councilmember Peter Dougherty, Councilmember Matt Gascon, Councilmember

Colleen West Hay, Clerk

Jim Campbell, Attorney, Town of Livonia

ABSENT: Andy English, Councilmember

OTHERS PRESENT: Several residents.

The Town Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Gott at 7:00 PM. Attorney Campbell led the pledge.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Supervisor Gott opened the floor for comments. There were none.

RESOLUTION 40-2020

APPROVE 2/6/2020 MEETING MINUTES

On motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, Gascon)

Nays - 0

Resolved to approve the meeting minutes from 2/6/2020.

DISCUSS MOWING BIDS

Supervisor Gott reminded the Board that we will be mowing Vitale Park ourselves this year, but we still have the Library, Town Hall, Hemlock Park and the cemeteries that will need to be mowed. Chris Hoffman is looking to hire a full-time employee for the Village of Livonia and asked if we were interested in sharing services. He talked about mowing, mulching, planting, shoveling, etc. Supervisor Gott is interested in pursuing this if we can make it work. He will put together information on what the town has paid for these services over the last couple of years and get that to Mr. Hoffman. Supervisor Gott also shared that we do not want to hire or manage the employee. The person would be a Village employee and report to Mr. Hoffman. We would just pay for the services we receive. The Board members expressed support for the idea. Councilmember Gascon stated that there may be other small maintenance items the person could do as well.

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Supervisor Gott added that before he talked with Mr. Hoffman, he was contacted by Mike Benson regarding refiguring his bid for property maintenance without Vitale Park.

RESOLUTION 41-2020

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH CLARK PATTERSON LEE

Supervisor Gott reminded the Board that we received a grant for \$167,373 to help defray the costs of replacing the outlet culvert and dam gate at Vitale Park. The total project cost is \$219,424. Clark Patterson Lee sent us a letter outlining the services they will provide under the grant and what those services will cost: \$15,799 (for survey, design, permitting and bidding) and \$9,875 (for construction services) for a total to Clark Patterson Lee of \$25,674. Permitting costs are not covered under the grant, but the Town has money set aside in the current budget to cover that.

On motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Gascon, Dougherty) Nays - 0

Resolved to authorize Supervisor Gott to sign the agreement with Clark Patterson Lee not to exceed \$25,674 for engineering services as they relate to the old Conesus Lake Outlet culvert replacement and dam gate replacement.

RESOLUTION 42-2020

INCREASE LIBRARY FUND BUDGET

On motion of Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember Breu the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, Gascon) Nays - 0

Resolved to increase the Library fund budget in the amount of \$11,170 as follows:

Revenues & fund balance

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Appropriations

L7410.1	2,825 (wages)
L7410.4	6,445 (contractual)
L9010.8	1,460 (NYS retirement)
L9030.8	150 (FICA)
L9035.8	40 (Medicare)
L9060.8	250 (medical insurance)
	\$11,170

DISCUSSION REGARDING WATER

Councilmember Dougherty shared that someone approached him and wanted to know if some of the Supervisors from Livingston County went to Albany regarding expanding water service in Livingston County. Supervisor Gott replied that no one went to Albany, but the water situation in Livonia was discussed at the last meeting of the Livingston County Water and Sewer Authority.

AMBULANCE DISTRICT DISCUSSION

Councilmember Breu reported that the Ambulance District commissioners plan on coming to next month's meeting to bring the board up to date on cost savings, coverage, etc. Supervisor Gott shared that we knew there would be a large void with the passing of Ed Sparks, but they have made a huge difference in coverage just in the last two weeks. They have a ton of new volunteers. Councilmember Breu reported that the Ambulance asked Conesus for an increase in support, and they are wondering when they can get something from Livonia. Supervisor Gott advised that former Councilmember Seelos always asked for the \$25,000 for the Ambulance because he was the liaison to Emergency Services. The Ambulance just has to make a formal request so we can get it on a voucher.

LIBRARY WATER LEAK

Councilmember Gascon asked Councilmember Dougherty about the water leak at the Library. Councilmember Dougherty reported that there have been no more issues since the problem was fixed.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Supervisor Gott reported that Highway Superintendent Coty is having knee replacement surgery and will be out 3-4 months. PJ Dwyer is up to speed and will be filling in. Supervisor Gott shared that we expect to have the damaged truck back in the next day or two. Thankfully, the frame was not damaged. The exhaust was broken off from the engine, but that is fixed now.

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VITALE PARK GRANTS

A resident asked for more information about the grant projects. Supervisor Gott explained that there are three grant projects we will be working on at Vitale Park.

- The first one is to redo the dam and floodgates at the Conesus Lake Outlet. There is no surface flow with the current gate configuration. After the gate modification, we will have water flow from the top, which will help to clean the seaweed out.
- The second project will be replacing the culverts that connect the old outlet with the new outlet and installing a bridge over the top. The drainage pipes that are there now are undersized and trap debris, so everything backs up. The hope is that if the water flow is improved, it will help reduce harmful algal blooms.
- The third grant project is to place natural shore-scaping on the east side of the park. Once completed, the project will serve as a prototype and will help educate people about natural shorescaping. The new thought is to get away from traditional concrete break walls and replace them with plants and shrubs.

RIX HILL ROAD CLOSURE

Councilmember Gascon reported that Rix Hill Road near Hemlock Lake Park will be closed for bridge replacement, starting February 24 through September (possibly).

KATHRYN'S WAY DETENTION POND

A resident asked if there has been any progress regarding the detention pond in the Kathryn's Way subdivision put in by Jerry Gilbert. Supervisor Gott answered that Mr. Gilbert has been contacted by Code Enforcement Officer Adam Backus to address complaints that the detention pond has turned into a retention pond, and it is creating a nuisance. Supervisor Gott reported that Mr. Gilbert said he must drain the pond and is waiting for the ground to freeze. Supervisor Gott stated that he assumes that Mr. Gilbert is going to be receiving some appearance tickets soon if the problem is not resolved. Supervisor Gott added that Attorney Campbell is involved in that as well. Supervisor Gott added that we will deal with it.

RESOLUTION 43-2020

AUDIT OF CLAIMS

On motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, Gascon)

Nays - 0

Resolved to pay claims 130 through 174 in the amount of \$95,121.09 from the Abstract dated February 20, 2020.

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RESOLUTION 44-2020

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, Gascon)

Nays – 0

Resolved to enter into Executive Session with Attorney Campbell at 7:18 PM to discuss the employment history of a specific individual.

RESOLUTION 45-2020

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Gascon seconded by Councilmember Dougherty the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, Gascon)

Nays - 0

Resolved to Return to regular session at: 7:33 PM.

RESOLUTION 46-2020

AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN ENGAGEMENT LETTER

On motion of Councilmember Breu seconded by Councilmember Gascon the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes - 4 (Gott, Breu, Dougherty, Gascon)

Nays – 0

Resolved to authorize Supervisor Gott to sign the engagement letter with employee relations attorney Webster Szanyi.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilmember Dougherty seconded by Councilmember Gascon the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colleen West Hay, RMC, CMC
Town Clerk