

**A Regular Town Board meeting was held on May 5, 2022, at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**  
Robert A. Wicks, Supervisor  
Robert Geraci, Councilor  
Peter Moore, Councilor  
Jeffrey Kudarauskas, Councilor  
Kevin Rode, Councilor

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** NONE

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dina Falcone, Town Clerk; Anthony Rivizzigno, Town Attorney; Ken Svitak, Highway Superintendent, Al Yager, Engineer, and several guests and residents.

**Supervisor Wicks called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.**

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**Adoption of Minutes**

**RES#53/2022**

**Motion by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Rode** to adopt the April 7, 2022 and April 21, 2022 Town Board Meeting minutes.

Supervisor Wicks	Abstain from April 7, 2022	Aye for April 22, 2022	
Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye

**All ayes, motion carried and adopted**

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**Citizens Comments**

**Ruth Troy** of Canton Woods spoke about the programs they offer. Programs offered include but are not limited to:

- **Neighborhood Advisor Program:** Reaches isolated seniors in the Towns of Lysander and Van Buren by providing information, referral, and assistance accessing services. The Neighborhood Advisor helps seniors determine eligibility and fill out forms for entitlement programs. The Neighborhood Advisor Program is funded by the Onondaga County Department of Adult and Long-Term Care Services. For further information call the B'Ville Express Coordinator at [\(315\) 638-4536](tel:3156384536).
- **Meals on Wheels:** Operates independently of the Senior Center and works out of the Canton Woods kitchen. They provide nutritious, balanced meals for people living alone, handicapped, or temporarily shut-in. Meals are delivered by volunteers, five days a week, including holidays. A volunteer will deliver a hot meal and a bag lunch to the door in the morning. A small fee is charged. To order Meals on Wheels, call [\(315\) 638-2171](tel:3156382171).
- **AARP Defensive Driving Classes:** Taught at Canton Woods throughout the year. Contact the Center for dates, times and additional guidelines. \*Taking this class may save you money on your Auto Insurance.
- **Legal Assistance:** Through Onondaga County, Canton Woods offers free legal assistance to seniors over the age of 60. You must be an Onondaga County Resident to receive this service. Call the center for more information.
- **A multipurpose senior center:** Facilities for all types of recreation. The facilities include a large dining area, indoor and outdoor recreation areas, as well as a library. A wide range of programs are offered within the Center to meet the needs and interests of the diverse senior population.

- Canton Woods Library: Contains over 2000 hardcover books including monthly best sellers. There are also large print books and a wide selection of audio books. The variety of books parallels those found in a public library. Public donations to the Library are accepted at the Librarian's discretion.
- Outdoor facility: Gazebo, pavilion and picnic area.
- P.E.A.C.E, Inc. Luncheons: Canton Woods houses P.E.A.C.E. Inc.'s Senior Nutrition program each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:00pm. Connect with your friends and neighbors and enjoy a delicious, affordable lunch at Canton Woods, your Senior Nutrition Site. The meals are wholesome and mostly made from scratch. The best part is the suggested contribution of \$3.50. For information regarding PEACE's Senior Nutrition Sites contact Food Services, [\(315\) 470-3331](tel:3154703331) or visit their website at [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org) P.E.A.C.E., Inc.'s Senior Nutrition Program is funded by: U.S. Administration on Aging, the NYS Office of Aging and the Onondaga County Department of Adult and Long Term Services.
- Blood pressure screening: Most Friday mornings at 10am. A qualified health care professional will take your pressure and help to keep track of your numbers from month to month.
- Flu shots: Given by local pharmacies at the center. The shots are generally available at the end of September, or beginning of October. Check our monthly calendar for the dates in the fall.
- Fitness classes: The class format is extensive, with emphasis on strengthening, aerobics, flexibility and relaxation, and floor exercises for abdominal, hip and leg strengthening. The group is under the leadership of an experienced instructor. This FREE class is facilitated by a Licensed Physical Therapist. Strengthen your core, and improve your balance. Reduce your risk of falling.
- Tai Chi: A series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner and accompanied by deep breathing. It may reduce stress, improve balance, and alleviate pain.
- Chair Yoga: With Yvonne Martin RYT500 Certified Kripalu Yoga teacher. Discover Kripalu Yoga, a gentle mindful Hatha Yoga practice that emphasizes compassionate self- acceptance and mind –body awareness. The first class is always FREE.
- Zumba Gold: Modified low impact moves for all levels yet specifically designed for the active older adult and beginners. Instructor Susan Petrella leads the class as you move to the beat at your own speed.
- Art Group: Meets under the guidance and encouragement of retired art teacher, Mike Conway.
- Book Club: Meets once each month. Call the center for the current book selection, start reading and join in the lively discussion.
- Crafting: Join fellow crafters each Tuesday morning to share ideas, patterns, techniques and a few good laughs!
- Writing class: Take the time to put your special memories and experiences down on paper for family, friends or simply for your own enjoyment.

**Cindy Clarke** of West Genesee Street mentioned that PAC-B has recorded videos with all of the information Canton Woods provides.

**Charlie LaPrese** Chair/Board Member of Canton Woods stated that they do a tremendous amount for the community. He thanked the Board for their time and for the budgeted amount that the Town gives to Canton Woods on a yearly basis.

**John Kalkbrenner** of Smokey Hollow Road asked the Board about the trees that have been cut down and is concerned about shade where the kids play. He also mentioned his concerns with parking and kids' safety as they tend to run into the parking lot. **Mr. Yager** said that the parking area will be changed, as they are adding 66 spaces. Mr. Kalkbrenner said that Mr. Yager is doing a wonderful job at the park and he enjoys walking his dog there as well. He also asked that more benches be put in around the park for seniors.

## Town Board Comments

The Councilors thanked everyone for attending and watching PAC-B. **Councilor Geraci** spoke about Canton Woods and he mentioned that 1% of Town of Lysander's budget goes to Canton Woods. He said they have wonderful programs for senior citizens and encouraged people to visit.

**Councilor Rode** mentioned that he attended a function that Onondaga County sponsored. You can find information on this survey for LWRP at [www.syracuse.lwrp.org](http://www.syracuse.lwrp.org). The County and City of Syracuse are looking for ideas regarding the Inner Harbor. There is an opportunity to impact an area of the city many people try to visit. **Councilor Rode** thanked those involved for helping with cleanup on Brundage Road and for the Earth Day cleanup. He said that Senator Mannion announced he matched the \$100K with the county for Seneca River for Water Chestnut/Invasive species. **Councilor Rode** noted that he will not be at the next meeting as he will be out of town.

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## Supervisor's Comments

**Supervisor Wicks** thanked those who helped with the Brundage Road cleanup, and advised that there is a new manager at Anheuser Busch (Budweiser) who is working with him and Anheuser Busch will be signing a contract with Gypsum Express to erect a place where trucks can go and stage until they can get into the plant. Together they will be working on additional scales to move the trucks in faster. Once those are in place, that should alleviate the majority of what's going on. **Supervisor Wicks** said it is clear 80% of the garbage comes from truckers. The other comes from residents dumping there. He hopes they are not local residents but he said that if anyone sees someone littering to call the authorities. Supervisor Wicks stated that he would like to implement more assistance for older Veterans. This will be something he will be working on to get funding for and will keep the public apprised.

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## Department Head Reports

**Ken Svitak, HW Superintendent** stated that the current HW Pavement Management plan is underway and it is halfway complete. The state awarded TOL \$100K to add to the Pavement Management Plan and that will be available in the next couple of weeks.

**Dina Falcone, Town Clerk** advised the public that if they are current with their tax payments and received a letter from New York State regarding delinquent taxes and STAR exemption removal it is in error. The Onondaga County Real Property Director is currently working with NYS Department of Taxation to determine how many of the letters were mailed to residents. If you are concerned you may have delinquent taxes you can contact the office or look online at <https://ocfintax.ongov.net/Imate/disclaimer.aspx> Ms. Falcone continued that for those who received the letter regarding delinquent taxes and STAR removal here is the explanation from NYS: If you weren't before, you are now probably aware that NYS is re-instituting the removal of STAR exemptions for property owners who owe delinquent taxes. Letters were in mail boxes last week, but unfortunately a significant number of property owners are receiving this is in error. It should only have gone to property owners who owe 2021 taxes or earlier. The list was generated in early March and erroneously included property owners who had not yet paid their 2022 taxes in full. You can contact the county office referenced in the letter or NYS Dept. of Taxation at 518-457-5149 if you have any additional questions.

**Ms. Falcone** advised that The Town of Lysander will now be an early voting site. The information follows:

**June Primary: June 28 6am-9pm**

Early Voting for the June Primary will be:

June 18-26

Mon-Thur-Fri.	10am-6pm
Tues-Wed.	12pm-8pm
Sat-Sun.	9am -5pm

**August Primary: August 23 6am-9pm**

Early Voting August 13-21

Mon-Thur-Fri.	10am-6pm
Tues-Wed.	12pm-8pm
Sat-Sun.	9am -5pm

**November General Election: November 8 6am-9pm**

Early Voting October 29-November 6

Mon-Thur-Fri.	10am-6pm
Tues-Wed.	12pm-8pm
Sat-Sun.	9am -5pm

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**Regular Agenda Items**

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK  
TO ATTEND THE NYALGRO CONFERENCE IN JUNE, 2022**

**RES#54/2022**

**Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas** to authorize the Town Clerk to attend the New York Association of Local Government Records Officers School/Conference in Albany, New York June 12 – 15, 2022 at a total cost of \$718.60, which includes hotel, meals, and the conference.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye		

**All ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
BLOCK GRANT 5 YEAR PLAN ON MAY 19, 2022 AND ADVERTISE FOR SAME**

**RES#55/2022**

**Motion made by Councilor Rode seconded by Councilor Geraci** to hold a Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant 5 Year Plan on Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM in Lysander Town Hall. This resolution shall authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for same.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye		

**All ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH McLANE COMPANY,  
INC. REGARDING THE TAX CERTIORARI MATTER WITH THE TOWN**

**RES#56/2022**

**Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Rode** to approve the Settlement Agreement with McLane Company, Inc. regarding the Tax Certiorari matter. (Settlement Agreement to follow)

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye		

**All ayes, motion carried and adopted**

*Discussion:*

*Tax certiorari is the term for legal proceedings by which a real property's tax assessment is reviewed by an administrative agency and ultimately by the courts. The McLane Tax Certiorari matter against TOL will be settled.*

**MOTION TO HIRE GEORGE FIELDS AS PARK ATTENDANT**

**RES#57/2022**

**Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Rode** to appoint George Fields in the Parks and Recreation Department as Park Attendant with an hourly rate of \$13.20 per hour effective May 14, 2022.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye		

**All ayes, motion carried and adopted**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Rode** to adjourn the regular Town Board Meeting at 7:32 PM.

Supervisor Wicks	Aye	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye		

**All ayes, motion carried and adopted**

This is a true and complete recording  
of the action taken at this meeting.

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk