

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on August 17, 2023, at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert A. Wicks, Supervisor
Jeffrey Kudarauskas, Councilor
Kevin Rode, Councilor
Peter Moore, Councilor
Robert Geraci, Councilor

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dina Falcone, Town Clerk, Ken Svitak, HW Superintendent, Kevin Merrill, Parks and Recreation Director, Anthony Rivizzigno, Town Attorney, Jennifer Fricano, Comptroller, and several guests and residents.

Supervisor Wicks called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.

Adoption of August 3, 2023 Minutes

RES#147/2023

Motion by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Geraci to adopt the August 3, 2023 Town Board Meeting minutes.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING
AMENDING LL NO. 5 OF 2023 SOLAR MORATORIUM

RES#148/2023

Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Moore to open the public hearing at 6:36 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Fred Burtch: *I don't remember offhand exactly how many times but this seems like this is like maybe the second or third time that this has come up this year where we've had an open public hearing regarding solar panels and the solar fields. And so I don't know when it was a public hearing or if it's proper to ask a question or just to say that? How does the Board proceed? Is it something that we're going to have to do and like a continuation and a resolution constantly?*

Supervisor Wicks: *Well, as things change, we have to adapt to things that are changing, just like we had a conversation last week when there was the fire. They don't know what caused it, or how to put it out, right? The cost associated with that – our fire districts don't even know. I was at a meeting the other night. I don't even know if they have the equipment to do that. So as things change, the reason we're we are putting a moratorium on that until that flushes out to see what the problem was. But the state, I think, may also put a statewide moratorium, and they are going to take it out of our hands. But if things change, you have to adapt to what the current information is. We didn't know about that information before this.*

Fred Burtch: *That's proper and I can agree with it. I don't think you're going to find an argument from the citizens of Lysander about having a moratorium on that and I see it on the agenda to vote on it later tonight. And so I guess I'm curious. What is it – and I'm sorry for not knowing this - but what gives the Board the authority to push that off another six months or to the next year? Don't worry I'm not arguing, I'm for why don't we do it every six months for up to twenty years? It doesn't make any sense.*

Like I don't think we're going to get any citizens arguing, you know, my question is has the Board been approached by any of these firms or any property owners that install these things or looking to install these things? Asking the Planning Board where are we headed? Has the Board been approached by anybody or is this ban on the code? No approach? Okay.

(Some comments have been edited as they were unintelligible).

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING
AMENDING LL NO. 5 OF 2023 SOLAR MORATORIUM

RES#149/2023

Hearing all comments, motion made by Councilor Rode seconded by Councilor Geraci to close public hearing at 6:42 PM.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Citizens Comments

Fred Burtch of Plainville Road

Town Board Comments

The Councilors thanked everyone for attending and chose to move on to the agenda. **Councilor Rode** noted that he found information about the recent flooding, which is on the website.

Supervisor's Comments

Supervisor Wicks noted that he spoke with Senator May about issues affecting the town, including the water chestnuts and the recent flooding of certain areas. He advised that if anyone has any issues with flooding to contact his office so that he can keep track of it, and he will then report it to the county, so that they eventually they can assist with funding for damage. **Supervisor Wicks** noted that he is working on the waterfront revitalization grant which will help with the CLUP. He is working with the economic development committee and it's plans for Micron coming in with a county-wide plan. Regarding the waterfront grant, there will be public hearings where people will be able to come forward and express their opinions.

Department Head Reports

Ken Svitak, HW Superintendent stated that the culvert on Stanford and Jayhawk is complete and will be paved in about a week. He said no one has contacted him about the water chestnut issue.

Kevin Merrill, Parks and Recreation Director mentioned that the pickleball tournament is not sponsored by the Town of Lysander, it is mainly the facility that is being used for the tournament.

Councilor Kudarauskas asked Mr. Merrill why the garbage cans were removed from the park. Mr. Merrill said that they were removed from the shelters as he said they are unnecessary. He said there are 15 or 20 garbage cans in the park. He said they brings cans to the pavilions when they are in use.

Jennifer Fricano stated that she is working on the budget, and the teamster's healthcare funds have been audited, and they are working on a new policy regarding escrow accounts.

Regular Agenda Items

**MOTION TO ADOPT LL NO. 7 AMENDING LL NO. 5 OF 2023
SOLAR MORATORIUM EXTENSION**

RES#150/2023

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Moore to adopt Local Law No. 7 of 2023 to approve the extension of the Town of Lysander solar moratorium from October 20, 2023 to April 20, 2024.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH A
CONSULTANT REGARDING THE LWRP GRANT**

RES#151/2023

Motion made by Councilor Rode seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign an agreement with a consultant to fulfill the requirements of the LWRP (Local Waterfront Revitalization) grant.

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

All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Supervisor Wicks stated that Onondaga County will be putting out an RFP to facilitate a grant through Onondaga County.

MOTION TO DECLARE THE KODAK PROJECTOR SURPLUS

RES#152/2023

Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Rode to declare the following item surplus from the Parks and Recreation Department:

Kodak Pageant Sound Projector Model AV-126-TR Serial Number 126-F26103

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 BUDGET TRANSFER
FOR THE PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN NO. 2**

RES#152/2023

Motion made by Councilor Kudarauskas seconded by Councilor Rode approve the budget transfer provided by the Town Comptroller for the Pavement Management Plan No. 2, submitted by the Highway Superintendent for \$300,680 to Revenue and \$300,680 to Road Maintenance.

Supervisor Wicks	No	Councilor Kudarauskas	Aye	Councilor Geraci	Aye
Councilor Moore	Aye	Councilor Rode	Aye		

Four ayes, one no, motion carried and adopted

There was discussion at the work session regarding this. It is being proposed to add an additional \$300K for maintenance and Supervisor Wicks stated that he is not in favor of it. He advised that this may cause problems with future needs that may arise, and the town's bond rating.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Councilor Rode and seconded by Councilor Moore to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 6:56 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