

November 13th, 2018 LaFayette Town Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Town Board Meeting held by the LaFayette Town Board on November 13th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the LaFayette Commons Office Building at 2577 Route 11 in the Town of LaFayette.

Present: Daniel Fitzpatrick, Supervisor
Carole Dwyer, Councilor
Michael Johnson, Councilor

Absent: Steve Zajac, Councilor
Melanie Palmer, Councilor

Recording Secretary: Jackie Bush Roorda Town Clerk

Others Present: Thomas Chartrand, Budget Officer
Kevin Gilligan, Town Attorney
David Prince, Library, LCC & Parks and Rec
Ralph Lamson, CEO
Jeremy Belfield, Tiffany Turner, LCS
Rosemary & Herb Brodt, Donald Moody
Amanda & Benjamin Seemann, Chris & Caleb Fowler
Marquise Williams, Jacoby Hydeberg, Michael Weis
Timothy & Brian Kramak, Dante Friedman
Thomas Meaney, Adam McIntyre, Cody Doolittle

1. Supervisor Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed all in attendance.
2. Pledge to our U.S. Flag was led by Councilor Dwyer.
3. The Town Clerk, Jacqueline Roorda took the Roll, Councilors Palmer & Zajac were absent.
4. Town Board Minutes of October 9th and November 8th, 2018 Regular Meeting.

Councilor Johnson moved and Dwyer seconded the motion to accept the October 9th, 2018 and November 8th, 2018 regular meeting minutes as submitted by Town Clerk Jackie Bush Roorda. Motion carried 3 -0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Steve Zajac	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Swap agreement with Oliver’s Campers & Town of LaFayette.

Supervisor Fitzpatrick advised that this swap deal is no longer being considered.

B. CNY SPCA 2019 Contracts

Councilor Johnson moved and Dwyer seconded the motion authorizing Supervisor Fitzpatrick to execute the CNY SPCA Cruelty Contract for 2019 (provides investigation) and the CNY SPCA Agreement to provide and maintain a pound or shelter for stray dogs picked up in LaFayette. Motion carried 3 -0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

C. CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services & Educational Resolution & Proposal for 2019.

Supervisor Fitzpatrick moved and Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the below Resolution Supporting Participation in the CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Education Compliance Assistance Program. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes

Resolution Supporting Participation in the CNY Stormwater Coalition Staff Services and Education Compliance Assistance Program

Resolution authorizing the items listed below pursuant to requirements of the New York State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System General Permit.

WHEREAS, Town of LaFayette

herein called the “Municipality”, after thorough consideration of the various aspects of the problem and consideration of available information, has hereby determined that certain work, as described in Attachment A, herein called the “Project”, is desirable, is in the public interest, and is required in order to implement the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Central New York Regional Planning & Development Board, herein called the “Board”, has provided program planning and implementation assistance pertaining to the requirements of the New York State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES)

Stormwater Phase II General Permit for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) operators since 2002, and

WHEREAS, the Board has proposed staff and education assistance services in support of sustaining the CNY Stormwater Coalition and to provide a regional public education, outreach and training compliance program to reduce municipal staff burdens, ensure consistency, provide widespread priority audience targeting the most efficient use of limited municipal funds by distributing total program costs over a number of entities within a twelve month timeframe as outlined in Attachment B;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAFAYETTE TOWN BOARD

1. That DANIEL FITZPATRICK, TOWN SUPERVISOR or such person's successor in office is the representative authorized to act in behalf of the Municipality's governing body in all matters related the Project;
2. That the Municipality agrees that it will fund its portion of the program cost in the amount of \$3,600, and that those funds will be made available to the Board upon receipt of invoice.
3. That one (1) certified copy of this Resolution will be prepared and sent to the Board upon adoption.
4. That this Resolution take effect immediately.

D. Award Ropes Course/Apulia Road property to the highest bidder

Councilor Johnson moved and Dwyer seconded the motion awarding the Apulia Road (former Ropes Course) property to the highest bidder, Ken Griffin, for the amount of \$41,000 subject to permissive referendum. Motion carried 3 -0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

**RESOLUTION
SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM**

TOWN OF LAFAYETTE

November 13, 2018

WHEREAS, the Town has received a number of offers to purchase the former “Ropes Course/Nature Trail” tax parcel no. 007.-03-11.0, being a 48.35 +/- acre parcel of vacant property on Apulia Road in the Town in response to the Town’s Request For Proposal dated October 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has considered all offers and finds the highest purchase proposal \$41,000, advanced by Kenny Griffin of 6845 Frank Long Road, Jamesville, New York to be reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the Town has no public use for this excess property and is willing to sell same to Mr. Griffin for the proposed amount of \$41,000; and

WHEREAS, other proposals were received, as follows:

- Casey Christopher \$15,000
- Douglas Kautz \$35,500
- Richard Leone \$40,140
- Jon P. Morris \$34,355
- Thomas Anthis \$36,612

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town Board hereby approves the sale of the aforementioned property to Kenny Griffin for the purchase price of \$41,000; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the proposed purchase price of \$41,000 is a reasonable market value for the subject parcel; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town will not provide a survey or an abstract of title for the property to the buyer; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the sale of said property to Mr. Griffin will be subject to the terms and conditions and provisions of the Town's October 1, 2018 Request for Proposals; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that the Town will provide a quit claim deed to the buyer; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, that this sale of publicly owned Town property is subject to permissive referendum.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing order was duly put to a vote and, upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

DATED: November 13, 2018

6. OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

A. Jeremy Belfield, LaFayette School Superintendent gave a brief summary of the proposed capital improvement project that will be voted on December 13th, 2018 from 1:00PM – 9:00PM at the Jr. and Sr. High School. The 3.1 million dollar project's main focus is on safety in the schools such as additional security cameras, campus notification system upgrades, door hardening, and window hardening. Construction improvements include masonry repointing, stair replacement and site improvements.

The Capital Project cost of \$3,100,070 due to long-range financial planning practices of the District along with state aid and other fiscal factors, is to have no additional tax impact.

Jeremy introduced Tiffany Turner, who handles all state aid and thanked that Town Board and advised anyone with any questions with regard to the proposed Capital Project to feel free to contact them or visit www.lafayetteschools.org

6. REPORTS

A. Departmental

1. Supervisor Report

Tom Chartrand reports that our interest is quite strong. Tower rent is up about \$16,000 to the good. Court fines are still very low at 30% lower of what they were at this time last year which is concerning. The highway balance of \$88,000 is the balance of the 2017 -2018 snow plowing season and the \$398K is the winter severity payment from the last three years that the county and Dave Knapp were able to secure for us. The budget should be okay at the end of the year. Tom also advised that the Tax Cap is filed with the State. Currently the general budget is at 85%, the highway budget is at 86% and the library budget is at 79%. There are a couple transfers listed below.

Supervisor Fitzpatrick moved and Dwyer seconded the motion to approve the transfer of appropriations as listed below. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes

HIGHWAY FUND

To:				
	DA5142.4	Snow removal	Contractual	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
			TOTAL	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
From:				
	DA599	Appropriated Fund Bal.	Winter Severity	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
			TOTAL	<u>\$50,000.00</u>

2. Highway – no report

3. Town Clerk

a. Monthly Report for October, 2018 and payment to Supervisor’s Account were in packet for Town Board review.

b. Town Clerk, Jackie Roorda reported that the second round of DMP’s (deer management permits) for Department of Conservation sporting licenses have been busy and the glitches in the system seem to have been corrected.

c. Scrapping of old code enforcement computer and printer.

Councilor Johnson moved and Fitzpatrick seconded the motion declaring the Levovo computer, Brother Printer and Logitech keyboard previously used by the Code Enforcement Office as scrap items. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
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Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes

4. Building and Code Enforcement

a. Code Enforcement Officer Ralph Lamson provided the report for building permits issued so far for 2018.

5. Justice Court

a. Justices Monthly report for September 2018

92 - Total cases for Judge Perrin; \$8,887.00 was taken in for the month of September, 2018.

77 - Total cases for Judge Shute; \$5,353.00 was taken in for the month of September, 2018.

b. Monthly checklist review of Justice Perrin and Justice Shute's court records for Justice Court Audits for January – December 2017 and July 2018 were available for the Town Board's review prior to the regular meeting.

Councilor Johnson moved and Supervisor Fitzpatrick seconded the motion to approve the January through December 2017 LaFayette Justice Court audit reports as submitted by David Lamson, of Lamson Tax and Accounting Services. Motion carried 3 -0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes

6. Library – The September 10, 2018 Board of Trustees Minutes and Director's Reports were available for the Town Board's review. Dave Prince advised that they are on their final phase of renovations which involves the circulation desk. He is also in the process of getting additional quotes for the electronic sign and advises that there will be wireless service contract as well. Discussion regarding having enough money for the sign, sharing the cost with the Town as both the Library and the Town will be utilizing and benefiting from the sign.

7. LCC – David Prince advised that they have wrapped up the soccer season; basketball for grades 5 & 6 starts December 1st; for wrestling they have 5 coaches and will be hosting their first home match at Grimshaw on February 1st.

Sign-ups for the Song Mountain Ski program are scheduled for Thursday evening and the adult exercise program had an issue at the Community Center therefore have they moved the program to the LaFayette VFW. The senior exercise class has increased in numbers, therefore they are looking for increased space to run the program.

8. Parks and Rec – Prince advised that the flower boxes have been picked up and stored at the landfill for the winter. He also ordered a porta-potty for the south end of the park for walkers & runners as he maintains that during the winter and he is researching a replacement mower.

7. LEGAL MATTERS/ATTORNEY/LITIGATION – N/A

8. NEW BUSINESS – N/A

9. Motion to audit and pay bills.

General Fund	13413-13461	\$ 57,254.64
Highway Fund	13462-13485	\$ 81,445.97
Special District	13487-13488	\$ 205.66

Councilor Dwyer moved and Johnson seconded the motion to audit and pay the above listed bills. Motion carried 3 - 0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes

10. Motion to adjourn.

Councilor Dwyer moved and Fitzpatrick seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 3 - 0.

Daniel Fitzpatrick	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Carole Dwyer	Councilor	Voted	Yes
Michael Johnson	Councilor	Voted	Yes

The Town Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Bush Roorda
LaFayette Town Clerk

