

Regular meeting of the Trustees, Village of Lyndonville was held on Monday, March 4, 2024 at the Village Hall. The meeting opened at 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Mayor: John Belson
Deputy Mayor: Danny Woodward Jr.
Trustees: Anne Marie Holland
Kimberly Kenyon - Absent
Terry Stinson

Clerk-Treasurer Teri Woodworth
Supt. of Public Works Devan Freeman
Code Enforcement Officer David Reese - Absent
Attorney Katherine Bogan

Public – Present: Justin Edwards Carla Woodworth

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

ON MOTION of Trustee Stinson seconded by Trustee Woodward Jr., to accept the minutes of the February 5, 2024 regular meeting.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

- Nothing

USE OF FACILITIES

- Lyndonville Youth Football & Cheer are requesting use of the Lake Avenue Ball Fields from July 15, 2024 to November 1, 2024 for youth football and cheer. Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth noted a practice and games schedule as well as certificate of insurance will be provided prior to the start of the season once they're released from the NOFA league.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-10

USE OF FACILITIES – LYNDONVILLE YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEER

ON MOTION of Trustee Stinson, seconded by Trustee Holland, to approve the use of facilities for the Lyndonville Youth Football and Cheer pending a schedule and insurance prior to the start of the season.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

Report – Code Enforcement Reese- Absent

- Report – No report given at this time.

Report – Police Department

- Nothing at this time.

Report – Attorney Bogan

- Attorney Bogan spoke to Code Enforcement Reese regarding 43 Garland and how pleasant he is to work with.

Report – Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth

- Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth noted she will email the Board the budget to actual report for February 2024.
- Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth asked the Board for approval for Mayor Belson to sign the engagement letter for GASB 87 and GASB 96 with Bonadio & Co., LLP.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-11

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR GASB 87 AND GASB 96 – BONADIO & CO. LLP

ON MOTION of Trustee Woodward Jr., seconded by Trustee Holland, to authorize Mayor Belson to sign the engagement letter from Bonadio & Co., LLP for GASB 87 and GASB 96.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

- Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth presented the Board with a letter from the Lyndonville Joint Fire District terminating the accounting software agreement of Logics effective April 22, 2024.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-12

TERMINATION OF ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE AGREEMENT WITH THE LYNDONVILLE JOINT FIRE DISTRICT FOR LOGICS

ON MOTION of Trustee Woodward Jr., seconded by Trustee Holland, to accept the letter of termination of the accounting software agreement for Logics with the Lyndonville Joint Fire District effective April 22, 2024.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 1 Abstain (Stinson)

- Vouchers – Abstract A9-1 – A10 #17783 & #17831 to be paid for 2023-2024

General	\$ 9,009.66
Water	\$ 34,837.13
Sewer	\$ 4,177.18
Grand Total	\$ 48,023.97

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RESOLUTION NO 2024-13

VOUCHERS TO BE PAID FOR ABSTRACTS A9-1 – A10

ON MOTION of Trustee Woodward Jr., seconded by Trustee Stinson, to have Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth pay Abstract A9-1-A10 #17783 – #17831.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

- Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth requested a special meeting on March 25, 2024 at 2:30pm to present the 2024-2025 tentative budget.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-14

SPECIAL MEETING – MARCH 25, 2024 AT 2:30PM

ON MOTION of Trustee Woodward Jr., seconded by Trustee Holland, to set a special meeting for March 25, 2024 at 2:30pm for the presentation of the 2024-2025 tentative budget.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

- Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth noted the March water bills have been sent out.

Report – Superintendent Freeman

- Superintendent Freeman noted the WWTP is still supposed to go online April 1st. Superintendent Freeman noted the WWTP failed a leak test last week and the contractor is supposed to be coming back to fix the problem. Trustee Holland inquired how long the proposed fix of foam would last. Superintendent Freeman noted they are still working on the best solution.
- Superintendent Freeman noted they found a leak in the 3” line at Lyndonville Central School and shut off the line. Superintendent Freeman noted he will be notifying Lyndonville Central School that the line must be replaced due to leaking several times over the last several years causing the Village to lose 20 to 30 thousand gallons a day.
- Superintendent Freeman asked the Board for approval to purchase 36 more radio read meters costing approximately \$10,206.00 to continue with the update/upgrade of the meters.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-15

PURCHASE OF 36 RADIAL READ METERS

ON MOTION of Trustee Holland, seconded by Trustee Woodward Jr., to approve Superintendent Freeman to purchase 36 radio read meters not to exceed \$10,300.00.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

- Superintendent Freeman noted he sent a list of items to LaBella Associates for grant possibilities.
- Superintendent Freeman noted he’s going contact the builder for the H.H. Dobbins labor building with regards to MRB Group’s letter for the sewer connection. Clerk-Treasurer Woodworth noted the current outside user’s agreement is on file in the Clerk’s office. Superintendent Freeman noted the Village of Albion is working on their outside users’ agreements as well and will provide us copies for consideration for the H.H. Dobbins’ request.

Report – Trustee Kenyon

- Nothing - Absent

Report – Trustee Woodward Jr.

- Nothing

Report – Trustee Stinson

- Nothing

Report – Trustee Holland

- Nothing

Report – Mayor Belson

- Nothing

OLD BUSINESS:

- Nothing

NEW BUSINESS:

- AIM Funding – Mayor Belson presented the Board with the sample resolution from NYCOM Calling for an Increase in AIM Funding. Attorney Bogan noted to go forward with it.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-16

CALLING FOR AN INCREASE IN AIM FUNDING

Whereas, the Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) program plays a critical role in funding essential municipal services for cities and villages across New York State; and

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Whereas, city and village officials share the same priorities as our state leaders which is to make New York safer and more affordable; and

Whereas, New York’s local governments, who are on the frontlines of controlling property tax affordability and ensuring public safety, are integral to achieving those goals; and

Whereas, the State has not increased AIM funding in 15 years and according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, inflation has increased by nearly 45% during that same period; and

Whereas, this neglect from the State has led to rising municipal tax burdens and harmful disinvestment in essential municipal services and staff; and

Whereas, the property tax cap further limits the ability of local governments to properly fund the services their residents need; and

Whereas, the challenges of rising inflation, the increasing costs of labor and supplies, and the end of extraordinary federal aid, only accentuate the need for an increase in AIM funding; and

Whereas, the Governor’s 2024-25 Executive Budget proposes to keep AIM funding flat; and

Whereas, an increase in AIM funding would reduce the local tax burden and help revitalize communities across New York;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Village of Lyndonville urges Governor Hochul to work with the leaders of the Senate and Assembly and increase AIM funding in the 2024-25 adopted State Budget.

A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Senator Rott, Assemblymember Hawley and the New York State Conference of Mayors.

ON MOTION of Trustee Holland, seconded by Trustee Stinson,

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

- Mayor Belson noted EFC email with regards to additional WIIA funding available and asked the Board for approval to sign the letter of interest.

RESOLUTION NO 2024-17
ADDITIONAL WIIA FUNDING LETTER OF INTEREST

ON MOTION of Trustee Woodward Jr., seconded by Trustee Holland, to authorize Mayor Belson to sign the letter of interest for additional WIIA funding.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

ON MOTION of Trustee Holland, seconded by Trustee Woodward Jr., to adjourn the meeting at 6:14PM.

Vote: 4 Ayes (Belson, Holland, Stinson, Woodward Jr.); 0 Nays; 0 Abstain

Teri M. Woodworth
Clerk-Treasurer