

State of New York
County of Lewis
Town of Leyden
Minutes (October 8, 2024)

Supervisor Rosalie White called the regular meeting for the Town of Leyden Board held at the Town Hall on October 8, 2024 to order at 5:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Members in attendance were: Councilmembers Stanley Jones; Steve Fox; Town Clerk Janice Dosztan; CTHC Christine Healt; Codes Inspector Joe Pfeiffer; Bruce Myers; and Lois Compo (Councilmember Bruce Krug and Andy Millick – Absent)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Lois Compo asked if it would be possible to get 2 trees removed from the Leyden Hill Cemetery and to have the stones that fell over put back on the foundations.

Bruce Myers asked why the Town is purchasing sand instead of screening sand from the Town's Property. Supervisor White informed him that the price of purchasing it would be cheaper than the Town workers doing it. He believes that they should not be buying it.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Stanley Jones and seconded by Steve Fox to accept the minutes from the September 10, 2024 regular meeting as amended. Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

A motion was made by Steve Fox and seconded by Stanley Jones to accept the minutes from the October 3, 2024 budget meeting as amended. Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

BILL APPROVAL:

Steve Fox would like Buell Fuels to update their tax exempt from Oneida County to Lewis County. Supervisor White is also requesting that they adjust our invoices to reflect the lock in prices as of 10/1/24 bids for their 9/30/24 deliveries.

Steve Fox would like more information on the sand purchase before authorizing payment on the invoice. Voucher #H81 is tabled until November's meeting.

General Fund bills numbered 187 through and including 203 were audited; Highway Fund bills numbered 71 through and including number 82 (#81 held) were audited. All bills were signed and ordered to be paid by a motion from Steve Fox and seconded by Stanley Jones Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

Supervisor White reported revenues received; \$3,684.66 September Interest–NYClass Investment & Community Bank; \$300.00 Medical Ins. Premiums – September; \$345.60 Clerks August Revenue Paid in September; \$1,047.00 Justice July Report State Aid (AIM Payment)

CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT:

The clerk's **September** monthly report was passed. Total taken in **\$817.60** for the following breakdown

<i>Dog License Renewal</i>	\$ 140.00
Marriage Cert	\$ 40.00
Building Permit	\$ 437.60
Zoning Permit	\$ 150.00
Septic	\$ 50.00

Paid to:	Town of Leyden Supervisor	\$ 780.10
	State Health Dept.	\$ 22.50
	NYS Ag & Markets	\$ 15.00
	Total Dispersed	\$ 817.60

CORRESPONDENCE, ETC:

Supervisor White received a request for a letter of support (“CON” Certificate of need) from North Star Alliance that was due back 9/25/24. To operate an ambulance in Jefferson, Lewis, and St. Lawrence county’s; letter was sent. Supervisor White received a notice from the Lewis County Manager on 9/30/24 saying not to send a letter of support.

HIGHWAY:

Cone Road paving has been completed.

Purchase of sand at \$6.00/ton.

2025 BUDGET:

Supervisor White informed the Board that a Public Hearing needs to be scheduled for the Preliminary Budget no later than 11/7/24.

Steve Fox introduced Resolution #48

RESOLUTION #48
SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING
PRELIMINARY BUDGET

BE IT SO RESOLVED; that The Town Board of the Town of Leyden does hereby schedule a Public Hearing on November 6, 2024 at 5:00 pm to take comments on the Preliminary Budget. Motion made by Steve Fox and seconded by Stanley Jones. Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

ZONING PERMITS-SIGN FEE SCHEDULE (PER ZONING LAW SECTION 210 & 535):

The Planning Board submitted a letter on 10/5/24 regarding the fee for placing signs and they are asking the board for further consideration.

CTHC:

Christine Healt informed the Town Board of all the grants that are available to the Town and the deadlines.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Supervisor White informed the Board that the Court House will need to be cleared out for voting on 11/5/24; set up will be 11/4/24. The chairs/tables will need to re-set for court on 11/6/24; she will ask for the highway’s help.

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Steve Fox spoke with Natalie Roth from Benn Reality LLC regarding the Town of Leyden Justice Building. She gave comparable listing to the building and believes you can list the building for \$75,000.00-\$139,900.00.

Steve Fox introduced Resolution #49

RESOLUTION #49
TOWN OF LEYDEN
JUSTICE BUILDING
LISTING PRICE

BE IT SO RESOLVED; that The Town Board of the Town of Leyden does hereby accept the listing price of the Town of Leyden Justice Building of \$75,000.00-\$139,900.00 provided by Benn Reality LLC. Motion made by Steve Fox and seconded by Stanley Jones. Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

A motion was made by Steve Fox to go into executive session at 5:41 to discuss a personnel matter; seconded by Stanley Jones.

Motion by Steve Fox to leave executive session at 6:10; and seconded by Stanley Jones.

Discussion was held on the behavior of a guest towards the Supervisor and Highway Superintendent.

Stanley Jones introduced Resolution #50

RESOLUTION #50
CONDUCT & BEHAVIOR
DURING TOWN BUSINESS

BE IT SO RESOLVED; that The Town Board of the Town of Leyden would like to engage in legal counsel regarding conduct and behavior during town business. Motion made by Stanley Jones and seconded by Steve Fox. Motion carried with 3 ayes and 0 nays.

Discussion was held on recording future meetings.

Steve Fox informed the Town Board that Wreaths Across America will take place in December. He will be placing wreaths in cemeteries in Constableville, Port Leyden, and Talcottville.

Next regular meeting will be November 12, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the Town Hall

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Fox and seconded by Stanley Jones. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted
Janice Dosztan, Town Clerk