A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Livingston, County of Columbia, and the State of New York was held at the town hall, 119 County Route 19, Livingston, NY on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

Present:

Supervisor James Guzzi

**Deputy Supervisor Will Yandik** 

Councilman Phil Massaro

Councilwoman Kelly McDonald

Councilman William Bender

Supervisor Guzzi opened the meeting with a moment of silence, and the pledge to the flag at 7:00 PM.

## Resolution #72

# Motion to approve monthly minutes

A motion was made by Councilwoman McDonald, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to approve the minutes of the April 10th meeting.

Votes 5 Ayes

# Monthly Town Reports

The following reports were read:

**Town Supervisor** 

Town Clerk

Dog Control- no report

Highway.

**Building inspector** 

# Resolution #73

# Motion to approve the monthly reports as read

A motion was made by Councilwoman McDonald, seconded by Councilman Bender, to approve the monthly reports as read

Votes 5 Ayes

#### **New Business**

Joe Laiz from the NYS Deferred Compensation Plan gave a presentation on the retirement program they offer and its benefits to town employees. It would not cost the town any money to implement.

### **Old Business**

Discussed the Historic Resource Survey Grant through the New York Preservation League. It is just for cataloging resources the town has, and the deadline is next month. The award is for \$10,000. Originally it was thought there was no cost involved for the town, but the town needs to pledge \$500. Joe Gatti, the town historian, has offered the use of the history barn account for the \$500. If the grant does not go thru, no payment is needed.

#### Resolution #74

# Motion to Pledge \$500 for Historic Resource Survey Grant

A motion was made by Councilman Bender, seconded by Councilman Massaro to pledge \$500 for the survey grant from the History barn account.

Discussed the recently purchased Bobcat Skid Steer Loader and the availability of an after market extended warranty for it. The one thru Bobcat itself seemed to be the best one at 3 years, 2000 hours for the full machine for \$2697.00

### Resolution # 75

# Motion to approve purchase of the Bobcat Skid Steer Loader warranty

A motion was made by Councilman Massaro, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to approve the purchase of the Bobcat Skid Steer Loader after market warranty thru Bobcat for \$2697.00.

## Votes 5 Ayes

Discussed the new proposed fee schedule for the building dept applications. The board needs more time to go thru it before moving forward.

Discussed the computer technician job that went out for bid. Two applications were received. It was recommended that Joseph Tarantino be offered the position at a rate of \$60 per hour.

# Resolution #76

## Motion to hire Joseph Tarantino as the town computer technician

A motion was made by Councilwoman McDonald, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to hire Joseph Tarantino at a rate of \$60 per hour for the town computer technician position.

#### Councilman Bender abstained

The bus bids for the summer Rec Park program were opened. Michael S Johnston had the lowest bid, and Zanchelli, the second lowest. It was noted that all the bids were complete in their paperwork.

# Resolution #77

# Motion to approve the bus bid for the summer rec program

A motion was made by Councilwoman McDonald, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to award the bid for the summer rec program bus to Michael S. Johnston.

### Votes 5 Ayes

Discussed the Code Enforcement Officer position interviews. There were 4 applicants. They have been completed and the board made the decision to continue with current interim CEO James Trapp in the position.

# Resolution #78

# Motion to appoint James Trapp as Code Enforcement Officer

A motion was made by Councilwoman McDonald, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to appoint James Trapp to the position of Code Enforcement officer thru December 31,2014.

# Votes 5 Ayes

### New Business (continued)

Discussed appointing an assistant court clerk to help out the court clerk on an as needed basis. It will come out of the budget and not require any additional funds.

### Resolution # 79

### Motion to appoint James Andrews as assistant Court Clerk

A motion was made by Councilman Massaro, seconded by Councilman Bender, to appoint James Andrews to the position of assistant court clerk.

### Votes 4 Ayes

### Deputy Supervisor Yandik recused himself

The rugs in the town hall meeting room and the clerk's and supervisor's assistant's offices need to be cleaned.

### Resolution #80

### Motion to get rugs cleaned

A motioned was made by Councilman Bender, seconded by Councilwoman McDonald, to approve hiring a rug cleaning service to clean the rugs in the town hall meeting room and clerks/assistant to supervisor offices as well.

### Votes 5 Ayes

The town board discussed the earlier presentation given by Joe Laiz for the Deferred Compensation Plan, decided to move forward with adopting the plan, and will make arrangements for Mr. Laiz to come back to talk to town employees about it.

#### Resolution #81

### Motion to adopt Deferred Compensation Plan

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilwoman McDonald, to adopt the Deferred Compensation Plan as offered by Joe Laiz.

## Votes 5 Ayes

Discussed the recent loss of a planning board member as well as still needing a ZBA member and recommended advertising for both positions. Will first check with alternate ZBA member John Ross to see if he is willing to move up to a full time position on the board.

# Resolution # 82

Motion to advertise for open positions on the Planning board and Zoning Board of Appeals

A motion was made by Councilwoman McDonald and seconded by Councilman Bender to approve advertising for open positions on the Planning Board and ZBA board (alternate)

#### Votes 5 Ayes

Supervisor Guzzi reported we are getting about \$14,000 more in CHIPS funding this year.

# **Committee Reports**

Buildings- the light out front of the town hall was fixed. The wire at the rec park should be fixed shortly.

Citizens Advisory- a meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday

Senior Council-nothing to report

Recreation: Sat June 7<sup>th</sup> and Sat June 14<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 am are the scheduled dates for children to sign up to attend the rec park summer program. It is on a first come/first serve basis. Maximum capacity of 100. Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> will be for non resident applicants if room is available in the program at a cost of \$150 per child. Applications are available at the town clerk's office or online at the town web site. Interviews for counselor positions will be set up shortly. There are 3 openings. The building is ok, not sure if the water to it had been turned back on yet. The port a potty is in place.

Planning and zoning- They plan to adopt zoning book updates at the June meeting.

**Ethics- No report** 

Highway- No report

Communications- The new fire alarm law will run a total of 6 times in the newspaper and is also on the website. RFPs have been sent to 3 agencies in regards to updating the website and the town should have some to look at by next month's town board meeting. Most likely will cost in the \$2000 to \$3000 range to do.

Office Support- The new technician will be asked to look at the 2<sup>nd</sup> computer in the clerk's office as it has been having problems.

Historian- the history barn had 2 people last month, and 15 people that looking into their genealogy. Historian Joe Gatti also reports the copier donated from the court clerk's office is working well.

Special Projects- Nothing new. The NY Times article about the power lines will be out next week. Eminent domain is still on the table for the Western route.

County Environmental Management Council: Nothing to report

**Audit Committee:** 

Resolution #83

Motion to pay bills

A motion was made by Councilman Bender, seconded by Councilwoman McDonald, to pay the bills as presented.

# 50-58 Highway

# 126-149 General

Vote 5 Ayes

**Public Comment** 

There were comments from the public in support of keeping the Pine Haven Nursing Home owned by the county and not privatized.

It was asked it the town bills are available for public viewing and also if the town looked into submitting the new town alarm law to the NYS codes council for review and approval.

# Resolution #84

# Motion to adjourn

A motion was made by Councilman Massaro, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, to adjourn

