The regular monthly 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 12th day of April, 2018.

Present:

Supervisor James Guzzi
Deputy Supervisor Will Yandik
Councilperson William Bender
Councilperson Phil Massaro
Councilperson Thomas Shumsky

Supervisor Guzzi opened the regular meeting of the Town Board with the pledge to the flag, at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution # 54

Motion to approve the March monthly minutes

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Shumsky, to approve the minutes of the March monthly town board meeting.

Votes: 5 Ayes, 0 No

Communications: a letter written by the Town Supervisors on the Gates on Railways by the Hudson River. The gates are considered counterproductive to citizens. The 15 day public comment period was extended.

Supervisor’s Report

The following reports were read by Supervisor Guzzi:

Town Supervisor

Town Clerk- Total local shares remitted to town of $7516.64 for March

Highway- Received a thank you letter from Red Hook regarding storm help from the Town of Livingston. The highway dept. plowed and sanded roads, worked on storm clean up, sweeping roads, getting prices for road work, put the 3230 tractor back together and working on breaks and wheel bearings now.

Building Dept- 4 building permits, 0 C/O, 3 Abstract C/O’s, 0 Mobile Home. 0 Fire Alarm Registration, 29 Weddings. Total for month: $7348.12 Year to Date: $10,123.37
A letter of resignation from Jay Trapp was read, leaving effective April 18th.

Dog Control- none
Assessor- none

Resolution # 55
Motion to approve the monthly reports as read

A motion was made by Councilperson Shumsky, seconded by Councilperson Bender to approve the monthly reports as read.

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 no

New Business

Friends of Twin Lakes update- Steve Blair reported that the committee met this past winter and discussed rules and the posting of rules. They have $600 left from last year and a welder will be building a donation box as a possible revenue stream. Have not made attempts at grants yet but need to get in touch with the County for no-smoking policy. Need topsoil re: drainage to get water where they want it to go. Will talk to Highway Superintendent Dave Lyons re signage.

The town board is working on the bid specs for the generator for Town Hall.

The insurance company for the town, inspected the buildings, and they were re-measured, to determine new insurance rates. The town handyman had repaired some pipe leaks in the heating system prior to the inspection.

In regards to the summer youth program, Donna Campion took the certification class. The Rec park is de winterized and open and the new tennis net is up.

In regards to the alarm law, per Councilperson Shumsky, now there is a $25 onetime fee to re-register, he would like to have a motion that the town waive the $25 fee and have the residents only pay the initial fee of $25 to Columbia County. Per Supervisor Guzzi, this will get more systems registered and information will only need to be updated yearly, with no fee.

Resolution # 56
Motion to waive the $25 town registration fee for fire alarm systems for town residents

A motion was made by Councilperson Shumsky, seconded by Councilperson Bender to have the town waive the $25 registration fee for fire alarm systems and have them only pay the $25 fee to Columbia County

Votes 5 Ayes, 0 No

Supervisor Guzzi and Deputy Supervisor Yandik are working on the 1 page newsletter that will advise seniors of what is happening in the Town of Livingston (this will include the new alarm
law). Pauline Czajka from the nutrition site has proofed the draft and added a few things. The newsletter will also go on the town website as well.

An update on the Eagle Scout project by Shane Dunn was presented to the town. It is for the sign in front of town hall and also a Veteran’s rock. Visual of both were presented. The cost is $952 which he hoped to cover with donations. The timeline for completion is to have fund raising done by April 30th and have the project completed by May 30th.

Committee Reports

Buildings- no report
Citizens Advisory- no report
Senior Council- no report
Planning and zoning- no report
Ethics- no report
Highway- as per the supervisor’s report
Communications- no report
Office Support- no report

Historian- A sign was donated to the library- Potts Memorial Entrance. Needs handicap bar for the men’s room and to have the old wash sink removed. He will coordinate with the town handyman to complete the tasks.

County Environmental Management- no report
Emergency Management- no report
Special Projects- no report
Twin Lakes: no report
Audit Committee:

Resolution # 57

Motion to pay bills

A motion was made by Councilperson Shumsky, seconded by Councilperson Massaro, to pay the bills as presented.

# 32-40 Highway
# 75-105 General
Vote 5 Ayes, 0 No

Public Comment

Pauline Czajka from the Senior Nutrition Center would like the change the menu for the Christmas party and add a 1 man band for entertainment, the information for both were given to Donna Campion, Supervisor’s assistant.

A town resident wanted an update on the fiber optic installation, per Supervisor Guzzi, we did win a grant from Gtel and were told it would be done by mid 2019.

Councilperson Shumsky complemented all the fire companies that responded to the house fire on Rt 82.

Per Supervisor Guzzi, a memorial for deceased Town Justice Robert Moore will be held in June or July of this year.

Supervisor Guzzi gave a brief overview on his work on some of the County committees. He spoke on the topic of civilian response to active shooter events training and discussed some highlights of the training.

Resolution # 58

Motion to adjourn the meeting

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Yandik, seconded by Councilperson Shumsky, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote 5 Ayes, 0 No

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Molinski
Town Clerk