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Call to Order

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Common Council of Village of Lawrence was called to order by President Quick at 7:00 PM via Zoom and live.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Quick.

#### Roll Call

Present: Quick, Gritter, DeLoach, Glennie, Webster

Lorenzo-via Zoom.

Absent: NA

Also, Present: Theresa Stroud, Becky Everhart, Don Hanson, Donna Spenner and Mike Anchor

Guests: John Wellehan and Eric Hendries; Myndset Herbs and Dennis Cowan Plunkett Cooney Attorneys via Zoom.

#### Additions to Agenda:

### Conflict of Interest items

Quick-Law firm selection.

# Approval to pay bills and Approval of Consent Agenda and Minutes for Common Council June 8th, Public Hearing June 30th, and June 30th Special Session meetings.

Motion by Webster 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gritter

All Aye-Motion carried

#### Roll Call

Present: Gritter, DeLoach, Quick, Webster, Lorenzo, Glennie.

Absent: NA

# County Commissioner presented by Don Hanson-

Covert Generating plant being sold for 810 million.

County Sherriff's office, 5 counsels, cameras, van. All compatibility issues.

Bangor PD-has contracted with the Sheriff's office.

 August 5<sup>th</sup> Holtech will be at ISD if you want to attend meeting. (Removal of the power plant; demo)

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- o Webster, will it be open to the public?
  - Hanson-I don't believe so.

No further discussion.

# Township Supervisor-presented by Donna Spenner

- Senior lunch-held at fire station this month due to misquotes. August will move back to town hall; back to Bingo
- Audit-going on this week.
- Covid relief dollars update-tomorrow will be submitting forms to request dollars. Dollars will come in waives. Quick and Spenner to meet to discuss.
- Marihuana agency is up and running.
- Solar farm-Baker Road (old Sills farm area). 500 acres with 35-year life span. Will create 150 jobs during build, once completed will go down to a few. Safeguards for decommission is set in place.
- Vote August 3<sup>rd</sup>: has sample ballot example distributed? LPS bond proposal and Township Road millage.

Webster-in the LPS sample bond proposal provided: (instead of general obligation unlimited tax funds for the purpose of bonding school and purchasing school business?).

o Spenner; language is confusing and is usure about verbiage. This is a sample and will test and advise Judy to review.

# Lawrence Township Emergency Services Report - Chief Mike Anchor

- Last month's call-increase in car accidents
- Hose test completed; 298 ft failed from 10.000. ft. Will be replaced.
- Advertise for unit 1769 sale
- Working with Todd Christensen on cardiac data.
- Fair-next week; hand out flyer.

No further discussion.

#### Reports:

Quick-jump to Planning due to Myndset.

Planning had special hearing on 2 site plans; True Leaf and Myndset.

- 1. True Leaf-conditional approval. Waiting on review by Johnson and Andrew from Wightman.
  - a. Andrew- Concrete drive is over sewer on easement. True Leaf has requested conditional approval. Resubmitted site plan: building footprint has been adjusted and the building itself is now over the sewer which is not acceptable. due to new site plan which has not gone to Planning we cannot approve. Johnson also has concerns regarding the depth (20 ft). Wightman has required that they maintain no more than 10 ft horizontal and have not received response yet.

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b. Property legal description was not on plan and is a requirement.

c. Right of way connection missing.

- d. Lighting plan- no parking lighting; building only. At Village discretion.
- e. Grade plan for the extension of the building which would tie into the depth of the sanitation.

Quick-Planning has not seen the new site plan so can not make recommendation. No mention of revised plan during Planning meeting.

o Andrew and Brian recommend that stake out the building corners once finalized and visually verify.

o Quick-back to Planning.

- 2. Myndset-site plan; discharge. Will need to get with Brian and Andrew to address.
  - o Andrew-at Planning discussed submit supporting documentation to directly connect or put in holding tank.
    - o Wellehan-see presentation provided in packet which provides the breakdown of fertilizers in discharge water.

Johnson to do testing.

- Quick-pump stations have been an issue and need to be replaced. We are waiting for grant to replace. Therefore, we need testing and approval prior to allowing discharge.
  - o Wellehan-Is it the volume of discharge that is the concern? Johnson-for the pump station yes. Need to make sure the pump station can handle volume. Will be analyzing on Thursday. Also concerns with the lagoons due additional discharge.
  - o Wellehan-plan to do a 90% recapture.
    - Andrew-is its reverse osmosis?
      - Eric-current set up would remove the need.

Quick- Cowan, did you receive any additional communication for law office?

Cowan-no assumed everything was good.

o Stroud-got email from Alex that everything was in order.

Quick-doe we want a motion for conditional approval based on approved site plan, testing by Brian to be completed and sent off on Friday for review.

- Lorenzo-sounds like we can approved based on the maximum amount of discharge we can handle. If Myndset agrees to meet the requirements we could do a conditional approval.
  - o Wellehan-that would be great if it can be done.

Further discussion.

- Anchor, how you are planning to do excavation? Will you be doing burning?
  - o Wellehan, no plan to sell wood or haul away. Want to maintain as much of character of the lot as possible. Will submit in writing if needed.

Motion by Glennie for conditional approval based on recommendation from Brian. 2<sup>nd</sup> by DeLoach

Roll: Quick, Gritter, DeLoach, Glennie, Webster, Lorenzo

All Aye

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Motion carried; site plan approved, applications approved, and conditional approval based on recommendations from Brian

## President-presented by Quick.

- Law firm selection. As everyone is aware we currently use Kreis/Enderle. Joslyn has left the firm to Miller Johnson along with her assistant Margaret. Had discussion with attorney at; who will be doing the Marihuana business? Spoke with Joslyn today; she would be willing to accept all work and there would be a reduced rated. Quick to abstain; do we want to stay with Kreis/Enderle or move with Joslyn?
  - Webster to Quick-you have done pro-bono work; opinion or bringing documents under your skill set but fall under Kreis/Enderle. How does this effect that relationship?
    - Quick-my relationship with the firm; I don't know. Spoke with them; I will see what Council wants to do. It would be a Council business decision.
      - Stroud-prefers to stay with Joslyn.

Motion by Lorenzo to move legal services over from Kreis/Enderle to Miller/Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> by Webster

All Aye

Roll: Gritter, DeLoach, Webster, Lorenzo

Abstain: Quick, Glennie

No further discussion.

Quick-with Kevin Ouzts leaving the Planning Commission. He will be self-appointed to chair the Planning Commission. With Kevin being Pro-Tem; Webster will be appointed to replace. With the appointment of chairman of Planning Dave will remove himself from the PSC committee.

Clerk-Presented by Everhart

Update on past due water bills. A couple of conflicts but most have been paid current.

### No further discussion.

# Village Manager-Presented by Stroud

- Cameras for the park and Village and TV for conference room have been ordered.
- Special assessment for the Police department went through. It appears on tax bills.
- Ordered the 10-day notification forms for Blight; waiting on quote. Waiting on ticket books.
- Blackman project is being held up due to Consumers. Got them to agree to stop working on James Street and move over to South Street so we can finish our project.
- Working on recycling day for next year.

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- In discussion regarding East Street project next year.
- Paw Paw streets; North and South on next cycle.
- Working on Water Policy.
- Did a podcast with 103.7.

No Further discussion.

#### Chief of Police-Presented by Stroud

- 25 incident reports during the period of June 8<sup>th</sup> to July 12 ranging from Obstructing, damage to property, larceny, assault, larceny from abstain, DWLS and general assistance calls.
- Continue to run radar in town.
- Patrol Park regularly.
- Spending time in Business Park.
- Foot patrol.
- Business checks during and after hours.
- 5 written traffic citations and approximately 15 verbal warnings.
- During the month of June, VBC 911 dispatched 15 calls for service. 11 Police calls, 3 medical and 1 fire alarm.
- MSP was dispatched to 3 police calls: 1 primary and 2 backups.
- VBCS was dispatched to 7 police calls: 4 primary and 3 as backup.
- Waiting on mobile radio from Kenwood for new patrol vehicle.
- Applied for grant to get 2 hear starts for patrol vehicles.
- Have had some intermittent radio issues with the current vehicle.
- New sensor problem with current vehicle.
  - o Quick-now that we are up and running, we need to development a committee. (? Public Safety) Stroud will research. To join so far; Gribbler, Bianco, Anchor.
    - Stroud-thinking about getting with the Guidance Counselor at the school to join.

Quick-one committee is created we will need to do a resolution. Hope to get this done by next month.

# Administration-presented by Everhart.

No Report

# Community Development: presented by Glennie.

- Discuss web page update on members. Sent email to Stroud.
- Returning to Main Street model; various committees: Business, Design, Events Media committees consistent advertising.
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  - o Webster, we have been working on website for 10 years, but information is still not accurate. put her in contact. She has all the history files.
    - Stroud-still working on new website. Adding a "new" icon on the website and it will roll off everything 30 days. Current page is not user friendly.
- Do we want to do Trick or Treating on Saturday this year?

Motion by Webster to allow Trick or Treating on Saturday October 30<sup>th</sup>. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glennie

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All Aye Motion carried.

Stroud-can advertise in Courier Leader, Facebook local businesses.

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#### **DDA-Presented by President Quick**

See meeting minutes

#### LDFA-Presented by Quick

John Wellehan joining committee

- Quick-see minutes.
  - o Everhart-no meeting minutes received.

#### Parks & Rec-presented by Lorenzo

- Met with new athletic director.
- Widgets were installed.
- Talked to Dave Martin; quote for new dock has been ordered. Will be finalizing placement. Since ordered this week it should be installed prior to Labor Day.
- 3 commitments; lions club, True Leaf and Myndset Herbs \$5,000.00 each which will fully fund the launch.
  - o Stroud-maintenance? Will it have to be pulled in fall?
    - Lorenzo-no
  - o Spenner-when do you need the funds from Lions Club?
    - Lorenzo-as soon as you can; we had to do a 50% down payment to start.
  - o Webster-are you planning to do a recognition?
    - Lorenzo-yes; it anyone has ideas. Plaque etc. Would like to do the public presentation at the public paddle on Labor Day.
  - Webster-make sure you get letters out

### **PSC-Presented by DeLoach**

- Brian to get with Andrew on James St.
  - o Quick-public hearing on water ordinance
    - Johnson-no public present. Closed meeting in 15 minutes. PSC wants to get recommendation for approval on water policy from Council.
  - o Webster-is the new water policy separate from sewer?
    - Stroud-yes.

Motion by DeLoach to approve water ordinance 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gritter

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All Aye Motion carried No further discussion.

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### DPW- presented by Johnson-no report.

- Webster-is it possible to get the park fogged? The misquotes are bad.
  - o Johnson-will have to investigate it; we have had additional requests. We need to make sure it is safe for children and animals prior to using.
- Johnson-lead and copper samples; all 20 samples came back under levels. Did tests every 2 weeks at well stations.
- Storage barn-government requires architect stamp. Limits who can go the work.
  - o DeLoach-in the past we got permission from Council to brush chop along the Railroad?
    - Johnson-he recommends that we not do that without reaching out to RR.

#### ZBA-no report.

New Business:

Lorenzo-Parks & Rec is moving from Sunday to Monday at 6:00 PM

Old Business: NA

**Public Comments:NA** 

Council Comment.

Webster-Friends of the Library. Outdoor seating. First of August they will be installing 2 tables, and 2 benches north of the parking lot with WIFI.

Gritter-wants to recognize Kevin Ouzts accomplishments Stoud-will do a resolution and present to Kevin.

Quick-call for motion to adjourn meeting.

Motion by DeLoach 2<sup>nd</sup> by Webster

All Aye

Regular Session adjourned at 9:04 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Attest: