

VILLAGE OF LEROY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of Workshop Meeting held on

December 2, 2024

Village Hall, 3 West Main St., Le Roy, NY

PRESENT: Mayor Gregory Rogers
Trustee James Bonacquisti
Trustee Richard Tetrault
Trustee William Kettle
Trustee Raymond Yacuzzo
ABSENT: DPW Sup. Robert Lathan
OTHERS: Dean Stanfield, Earl Funderburk
Chief of Police Greg Kellogg
Clerk-Treasurer Eileen Carmel
WWTF Supt. Steven Carroll

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

Mayor Rogers changed the order of the agenda, adding the following:

Solar Discussion: Solar Liberty rep, Dean Stanfield, addressed the Board regarding the Federal energy incentives, the Interconnection Review Study with National Grid, the fact that he was only just informed that the WWTF roofs need to be repaired before solar equipment can be installed, that actual installation can't be done for another year due to zoning, inspections, and approval from National Grid, and if the Village can't take advantage of the incentives quick enough, his cost and savings projections won't be valid.

Trustee Bonacquisti made a motion for a Resolution to Initiate a Non-Binding Interconnection Study with National Grid. It was seconded by Trustee Yacuzzo, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle–Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti–Aye, and Mayor Rogers–Aye.

Trustee Tetrault pointed out that the transformer at the WWTF needs to be replaced and he estimated it could cost \$30,000.

PUBLIC HEARING: Restore NY Communities Initiative Grant Application and Assessment List:

Trustee Kettle made a motion to Open the Public Hearing for Restore NY Communities Initiative Grant Application and Assessment List. It was seconded by Trustee Bonacquisti, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle–Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti–Aye, and Mayor Rogers–Aye.

People have reached out to Mayor Rogers asking to be part of the application but only properties listed on the original Letter of Intent can be part of the application.

When no further comments were made, **Trustee Bonacquisti made a motion to Close the Public Hearing for Restore NY Communities Initiative Grant Application and Assessment List.** It was seconded by Trustee Tetrault, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle–Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti–Aye, and Mayor Rogers–Aye.

The following was moved on the agenda:

RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION TO RESTORE NY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE ROUND 9 GRANT FUNDING AND AUTHORIZE MAYOR SIGNATURE ON GRANT-RELATED DOCUMENTS

MOTION BY Trustee Yacuzzo

WHEREAS: the Village of LeRoy is eligible for grant funding under Round 9 of the Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program (Restore NY), and

WHEREAS: The Restore NY program is administered by NYS Empire State Development Corporation (ESDC) and provides municipalities with financial assistance for the revitalization of commercial and residential

properties and encourages community development and neighborhood growth through the elimination and redevelopment of blighted and vacant structures; and

WHEREAS the Village of LeRoy Board of Trustees has considered proposals that qualify for funding under the program and selected one property to be included in an application that will be submitted to ESDC as follows:

Redevelopment of the following property to create new commercial space in the Village:

- 54-56 Main Street, 11672 square feet, vacant mixed use, proposed for rehabilitation

WHEREAS: The project listed above is consistent with the Village's Master Plan and Genesee County's effort to revitalize commercial and residential properties that make up the Village's downtown; and

WHEREAS: The proposed financing is appropriate for this project; and

WHEREAS: The proposed project facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and increase the supply of safe and adequate housing opportunities in the Village; and

WHEREAS: the Village of LeRoy supports the submittal of an application under the Restore NY program for up to \$270,000 for the above-listed property; and

WHEREAS: The proposed project is an eligible activity under the Restore NY program and the Village of LeRoy is an eligible entity to apply for and receive Restore NY funds:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of LeRoy authorizes the submittal of said grant application with the required \$250.00 application fee to secure funding under the Restore NY program and authorizes the Village Mayor to sign any and all grant-related applications and agreements required by ESDC for grant funding that results from the application.

SECONDED BY: Trustee Bonacquisti and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle–Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti–Aye, and Mayor Rogers–Aye.

DEPARTMENT CONSIDERATIONS:

LPD:

- Chief Kellogg is looking for School Crossing Guard applicants. He's advertised all over.
- The Police Dept is now storing multiple cars at the WWTF that were impounded and are considered evidence in cases that could go on for years. He would like to adopt a storage fee policy to for such situations. The Board agreed that would be a good idea.

SEWER DEPT:

- Supt. Carroll has had meetings for the solar project
- WWTF boiler needs to be replaced
- Talks with Trojan Inc for why the UV system is so expensive
- Mayor Rogers has asked CPL Engineer, Eric Weis, about the permit for the compost plant.

DPW:

- Sup. Lathan said they will be putting up the Christmas lights on Main St.

CLERK-TREASURER: All's good.

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE FROM POLICE EQUIPMENT RESERVE

MOTION BY Trustee Bonacquisti

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law section 6-c, the LeRoy Village Board of Trustees established a Police Equipment Reserve for the acquisition of equipment for the LeRoy Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the LeRoy Village Board has authorized the transfer of proceeds from the sale of surplus LeRoy Police Department equipment to the Police Equipment Reserve; and

WHEREAS, the LeRoy Police Department has determined the need to replace a damaged patrol car and obtained a price quote of \$8,400 from GSA Fleet Sales for the purchase of a 2018 Dodge Charger Police Sedan, VIN# 2C3CDXKT9JH189119; and

WHEREAS, the A895 Police Equipment Reserve has adequate funds for the cost of said purchase; and **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the LeRoy Village Board hereby authorizes, retroactively to November 22, 2024, the expenditure of \$8,400 from the A895 Police Equipment Reserve for the LeRoy Police Department to purchase a 2018 Dodge Charger, VIN# 2C3CDXKT9JH189119 from GSA Fleet Sales pursuant to Invoice #3DFBPF25048.

SECONDED BY Trustee Yacuzzo, and on a call of votes: Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Mayor Rogers – Aye. Motion carried

WWTF: Phase 2, General Contractor, STC Construction: **Trustee Yacuzzo made a motion for a Resolution to Approve and Pay STC Construction Pay App #11 for \$55,378.75.** It was seconded by Trustee Tetrault, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle–Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti–Aye, and Mayor Rogers–Aye.

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE SEWER DEPT EQUIPMENT SURPLUS FOR PURPOSE OF DISPOSAL AND TO TRANSFER FUNDS

MOTION BY Trustee Bonacquisti

WHEREAS, The Sewer Dept has declared the equipment listed below surplus; and

WHEREAS, the Village of LeRoy requires a surplus declaration of property to be made prior to disposal or sale of equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer Dept desires to use the proceeds from selling the equipment listed below in order to offset the purchase of future equipment needs by placing the proceeds into the Sewer Dept. Equipment Reserve Fund;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the LeRoy Village Board hereby authorizes, retroactive to 10/18/24, the following declared as surplus for the purpose of disposal:

- 180 lbs. of Bare Bright Copper

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the LeRoy Village Board of Trustees does hereby authorize the transfer of the proceeds from the sale of said equipment to the Sewer Dept. Equipment Reserve Fund.

SECONDED BY Trustee Kettle and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle–Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti–Aye, and Mayor Rogers–Aye.

FARPA Covid Funds Discussion: Mayor Rogers said he'd like to use the remaining Covid funds to split the cost of salt conversion of the public pool with the Town, replacing computers, a rug for the Board room, etc. Chief Kellogg suggested the Dept. is looking into starting a K9 program.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: None

OFFICIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Trustee Bonacquisti: nothing

Trustee Kettle: Asked what happened with the brush at the Machpelah Cemetery? It was a joint Village/Town effort.

Trustee Tetrault: nothing

Trustee Yacuzzo: Suggested instituting a beautification award and name it after Tom Spadaro. He thought 42 Lake St., and 23 Main St. would be good candidates. Mayor Rogers liked the idea.

Mayor Rogers: Wants to get the John Aramino sign dedication on Robbins Rd.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Trustee Kettle made a motion to go into Executive Session for the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment,

employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation collective negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law. It was seconded by Trustee Yacuzzo, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, and Mayor Rogers – Aye.. Session was entered at 7:41 PM.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:

Trustee Kettle made a motion to Return to Regular Session. It was seconded by Trustee Yacuzzo, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, and Mayor Rogers – Aye. Session was entered at 8:27pm. Mayor Rogers stated no business was conducted during the Executive Session.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the Board, **Trustee Bonacquisti made a motion to Adjourn**, seconded by Trustee Tetrault and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Carmel, Clerk-Treasurer