

VILLAGE OF LEROY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of Workshop Meeting held on

December 18, 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
Chief of Police Greg Kellogg
Clerk-Treasurer Eileen Carmel
WWTF Supt. Steven Carroll
DPW Sup. Robert Lathan

ABSENT: Municipal Historian Lynne Belluscio

OTHERS: Jasmine Morrow, Elaina Blake, Grace Nickerson, Gabriella Zitz, Andrew Green, Fernando Cacho, Molly Osterman

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge to the Flag. He welcomed six LeRoy High School seniors attended the meeting “to see how the wheels of government churn.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Trustee Yacuzzo made a **Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Board of Trustees regular meetings on 11/20/24 and 12/2/24.** It was seconded by Trustee Tetrault and passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENT CONSIDERATIONS:

LPD:

- Chief Kellogg said the LeRoy Police Dept had been busy dealing with snow-related traffic issues
Mayor Rogers moved the following New Business here:
- School Crossing Guard Appointment – David Sia: On the recommendation of Chief Kellogg, Mayor Rogers appointed David Sia to the position of part-time School Crossing Guard. **Trustee Bonacquisti made a motion for a Resolution to Ratify the Mayor’s Appointment of David Sia as part-time School Crossing Guard, at a rate of \$16.15/hr., pending Civil Service approval.** 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.

SEWER DEPT:

- Supt. Carroll said all was well with the Sewer Dept.

DPW:

- Sup. Lathan said all was good with the DPW.

CLERK-TREASURER:

- The next scheduled meetings:
 - 1/13/25 – Public Workshop about the Village Comprehensive Plan Update, 6:30pm at Memorial Auditorium at Trigon Park
 - 1/15/25 – Regular Board meeting at Village Hall at 7:00PM
 - 2/19/25 – Regular Board meeting at Village Hall at 7:00PM
- Clerk-Treasurer Carmel said the outside audit by Lumsden McCormick for fiscal year ending 5/31/23 was complete and the Board members each received a report copy. The Village is also approximately halfway through the audit for fiscal year ending 5/31/24.
- The Village has added NYS Retirement reporting to the services they currently obtain through Complete Payroll and will start with December 2024 reporting.

OLD BUSINESS:

WWTF: Phase 1, General Contractor: **Trustee Kettle made a motion for a Resolution to Approve Pay App #33 Revised in the amount of \$80,200.05 for Wind-Sun Construction.** 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.

Award Sludge Transportation and Disposal Bid: Mayor Rogers and Supt. Carroll said there was only one viable bid for sludge transportation. The costs have increased and, while the Village has tried to reduce the weight in different ways to bring the cost down, the new contract includes a minimum weight requirement. The Village is reaching out to NYS DEC to try to get a composting permit until a digester can be purchased.

RESOLUTION TO AWARD
LEROY WWTF SLUDGE TRANSPORT AND DISPOSAL BID
2024

MOTION BY: Trustee Yacuzzo

WHEREAS the Village of LeRoy’s engineering firm, CPL, authorized the Clerk-Treasurer to advertise bids for the LeRoy WWTF Sludge Transportation and Disposal, consisting of the cost to transport and dispose of sludge from the Village of LeRoy Wastewater Treatment Facility located at 7500 Red Mill Road, LeRoy, NY 14482, to an approved landfill. The bid included but was not limited to a Base Bid A for Sludge Transportation only, Base Bid B for Sludge Transportation and Disposal, both for price per ton as well as a Contingency Bid for Weekend, Holiday, and Emergency Hauling price per ton, qualification of the bidders, and requirements concerning insurance, wage rates, details of pickup, delivery, and invoicing; and

WHEREAS, the Village of LeRoy received and WWTF Superintendent Steve Carroll read aloud the bids on December 2, 2024 at 2:00 P.M.; and

WHEREAS, New England Waste Services of ME, Inc. d/b/a Casella was the only responsible bidder, at a cost of \$73.80/ton Base A Bid for Sludge Transportation only and \$152.32/ton Base Bid B for Sludge Transportation and Disposal and \$10/ton Contingency Bid for Weekend, Holiday, and Emergency Hauling.

WHEREAS, CPL has completed a review of the bidder and the bid tabulation (attached); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of LeRoy Board hereby awards the bid to New England Waste Services of ME, Inc. d/b/a Casella for the LeRoy WWTF Sludge Transportation and Disposal contract, at a cost of \$73.80/ton Base A Bid for Sludge Transportation only, \$152.32/ton Base Bid B for Sludge Transportation and Disposal, and \$10/ton Contingency Bid for Weekend, Holiday, and Emergency Hauling, contingent upon approval by the Village Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village of LeRoy Board hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement with New England Waste Services of ME, Inc. d/b/a Casella and to issue the Notice to Proceed once the aforementioned conditions are met.

SECONDED BY Trustee Tetrault

Ayes: Trustee Tetrault, Trustee Yacuzzo, Trustee Kettle, Trustee Bonacquisti, and Mayor Rogers

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

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Motion carried.

VILLAGE OF LEROY
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY
SLUDGE TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL

BID OPENING: December 2, 2024 @ 2PM

BIDDER CHECKLIST

NAME OF BIDDER	Base Bid A	Base Bid B	Contingency Bid
	Sludge Transportation	Sludge Transportation and Disposal	Weekend, Holiday & Emergency Hauling
New England Waste Services of ME dba Casella	\$73.80	\$152.32	\$10.00

NYS Snow and Ice Agreement:

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND AND APPROVE THE SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT,
CONTRACT SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT, AND EXTEND CONTRACT NO. D014780
WITH NEW YORK STATE**

MOTION BY: Trustee Kettle

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of LeRoy, New York on December 18, 2024, enacts a resolution to amend and approve the Snow and Ice Supplemental Agreement for the 2024-2025 season, in the amount of \$31,046.95 and to Extend Contract No D014780 between the State of New York and the Village of LeRoy for snow and ice control, for a period of five years from 2024-2029.

SECONDED BY: Trustee Bonacquisti

Ayes: Trustee Tetrault, Trustee Yacuzzo, Trustee Kettle, Trustee Bonacquisti, and Mayor Rogers

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

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Motion carried.

FARPA Covid Relief Funds Discussion: The Village has \$266,681.15 remaining of the original \$436,921.76 awarded in 2021. Mayor Rogers said they tried to use the funds for several different things, like fully automating garbage with Waste Management, splitting the cost of converting the public pool to salt water with the Town, buying new Christmas streetlight decorations, and upgrading the Village computers. Some of these weren't a good fit and others they weren't able to follow through with by the December 31st deadline. So, he would like to designate the previous purchases of a 2024 International HV507 SFA plow truck, 2024 T64 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader, 2024 John Deere Gator #HPX615E, and 2024 Giant G2700 HD Plus Tele for FARPA Covid Relief Funds. No questions or concerns were raised by the Board or meeting attendees.

ADDED:

Village Christmas Tree: Mayor Rogers has been asked the status of the Village Christmas tree by several people because it was not put up for Winterfest the past weekend. The fact is the large tree located in the Wiss Lot the past few years at Christmastime is owned by a private individual. A snowstorm the week before Winterfest prevented the owner from putting up the tree as usual. Mayor Rogers praised the LeRoy Business Council for their quick thinking in relocating the festivities to Trigon Park and the "Trigon Trees" fundraiser already in progress. The Village is looking into alternative decoration for next year and exploring other ideas in the event the tree does not go up again next year.

Out of Order

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Mayor Rogers asked if the High School seniors had any questions for him:

- **What are the plans for the old Rite Aid building?** The Village does not own that building.
- **What is your favorite topic?** The Sewer Plant – no kidding! - because no one realizes how important it is.
- **Biggest challenge?** Money. We've kept the tax rate flat for 8 years
- **Frequent issue that keeps coming up?** The Christmas tree, parking, and rental properties

Mayor Rogers wished all the seniors a Merry Christmas and signed their paperwork as they left the meeting.

Festival Permit – First Night: A motion was made by Trustee Yacuzzo to approve the Festival Application for LeRoy Business Council for First Night Fireworks on 12/31/24, 9:00-10:00pm. 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.

OFFICIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Trustee Bonacquisti: Merry Christmas!

Trustee Tetrault: Merry Christmas!

Trustee Kettle: Merry Christmas!

Trustee Yacuzzo: Merry Christmas! He gave away small hand-crafted wooden cutting boards he made to everyone in the room who wanted one. He asked about the Main Street bridge drainage issues. He saw there had been digging near the bridge. Sup. Lathan said they cut the curb and created a break to the catch basin on Rt. 5.

Mayor Rogers: Merry Christmas.

ADDED:

Chief Kellogg was given permission to speak regarding the topic of a therapy dog. He and his department have been researching the process of obtaining, training, and caring for a dog for therapeutic purposes in the community. He said the dog itself is free, but the training lasts a week and that costs money. After training, ongoing costs could be paid for through donations and the dog would live with an officer. Mayor Rogers heard there are huge benefits for such a dog in the schools. **Trustee Kettle made a motion for a Resolution Approving the LeRoy Police Department to Create a Therapy Dog Community Program and Obtain a Therapy Dog to Partner with an LPD Officer to Benefit the LeRoy Community.** 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.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

Trustee Bonacquisti made a motion to pay bills, reluctantly, retroactive to 11/25/24. It was seconded by Trustee Yacuzzo and passed unanimously. Payment is as follows:

General Fund: Auto Pays, Wire Transfers, and Check numbers 27394-27395, 27415-27474, 27476-27477 totaling \$701,336.91

Cap #2 Fund: Check number 1255, totaling \$55,378.75

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the Board, **Trustee Yacuzzo made a motion to Adjourn**, seconded by Trustee Kettle and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Carmel, Clerk-Treasurer