

REGULAR MEETING
BOLTON TOWN BOARD

July 16, 2020

Regular Meeting:

Supervisor: Ronald Conover
Councilman: Robert MacEwan (Absent)
Councilman: Tim Coon (Absent)
Councilmember: Wanda P. Cleavland
Councilmember: Susan Wilson
Town Clerk: Jodi Petteys
Counsel: Michael Muller

Meeting Call to Order: 10:00 AM.

Pledge: Councilmember Cleavland

Public Hearing:

Correspondence:

Committee Reports:

Councilman: Robert MacEwan
Councilman: Tim Coon
Councilmember: Susan Wilson
Councilmember: Wanda P. Cleavland

Supervisors Report:

New Business:

- Resolution to schedule a Public Hearing for the August 4, 2020 Town Board meeting pertaining to the purchase of Bradley Lookout tax map # 171.00-1-7.

Councilmember Wilson stated that they have been looking forward to this for many years and now they will be able to add that to property in Bolton and she encourages everyone to support it.

RESOLUTION #129

Councilmember Wilson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cleavland to schedule a Public Hearing for the August 4, 2020 Town Board meeting pertaining to the purchase of Bradley Lookout tax map # 171.00-1-7. **All in Favor. Motion Carried.**

- Resolution to authorize the Supervisor to enter into agreement with the LA Group pertaining to the Pinnacle Trail parking facility and trailhead feasibility in an amount not to exceed \$6,330.00.

Supervisor Conover said that this contract was to identify the wetlands boundaries and other types of things. Hopefully, to be done as soon as possible so the Highway Department can create a small parking area so cars can get off the road and make an improved access situation to the Pinnacle and maybe even the Lookout. He'd like to get this moving as soon as possible as well. This will be done in concert with Lake George Land Conservancy.

RESOLUTION #130

Councilmember Cleavland moved, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to authorize the Supervisor to enter into agreement with the LA Group pertaining to the Pinnacle Trail parking facility and trailhead feasibility in an amount not to exceed \$6,330.00. **All in Favor. Motion Carried.**

- Resolution to reimburse Dr. Larry Eichler for an invasive species study on Trout Lake.

Supervisor Conover stated that they have not had a survey of Trout Lake since it was done 6 or 7 years ago. He has had some conversations with some folks that live up at Trout Lake and also Dave Wick of LGPC. The folks at Darrin Fresh Water Institute can get out there and do the survey quickly this summer and he would highly recommend it. Their charge fee is very low and about \$3000. It would not surprise him if they might have other people that will share in that cost with the town, but if not, he thinks it's a timely thing to do. It is important to do the survey to see if there are any issues with invasive species associated with Trout Lake. Councilmember Cleavland agreed stating it was a good move and long overdue.

RESOLUTION #131

Councilmember Cleavland moved, seconded by Councilmember Wilson authorizing reimbursement to Dr. Larry Eichler for an invasive species study on Trout Lake. **All in Favor. Motion Carried.**

- Resolution to authorize the Supervisor to expend Occupancy Tax funds for reimbursable expenses for activities affected by the Covid-19.

Supervisor Conover explained that this pertains to any expenses that may have been incurred by any of the organizations that as a result of COVID-19, are not able to conduct their activities, but have expended monies. He is looking for authorization to pay for reimbursement of those type of expenses should they occur, it would be through no fault of their own that this happened and he does not think they should have to bear that cost of having to promote a community event.

RESOLUTION #132

Councilmember Wilson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cleavland to authorize the Supervisor to expend Occupancy Tax funds for reimbursable expenses for activities affected by the Covid-19.

All in Favor. Motion Carried.

- Resolution to authorize the Planning Office to send all APA referrals electronically and/or regular mail until further notice due to Covid-19 instead of the required certified mail.

Councilmember Wilson stated that currently the code says that we have to forward all referrals by certified mail. The APA is currently only accepting applications by electronic mail and because we are an approved land use code they're not going to defy our land use code by accepting them other than certified, so this of course will allow us to forward everything electronically.

RESOLUTION #133

Councilmember Wilson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cleavland to authorize the Planning Office to send all APA referrals electronically and/or regular mail until further notice due to Covid-19 instead of the required certified mail. **All others in Favor. Motion Carried.**

- Resolution to authorize the Supervisor acting on behalf of the town, and Deputy Supervisor acting on the behalf of Water District to enter into a land lease on water district lands for hiking trails and associated parking.

Supervisor Conover stated this is similar to what they have done with the Sewer District. The Town has a number of activities that take place on Water District property. Those activities have never been memorialized or documented in any type of lease arrangement or anything. He believes that they really need to be memorialized in some fashion. There is a parking lot there, as one example. They also have hiking trails and he think that there should be something in writing that says what the responsibilities, if any, of the parties are relative to the improvement, management, and maintenance to ensuring of these assets.

RESOLUTION #134

Councilmember Cleavland moved, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to authorize the Supervisor acting on behalf of the town, and Deputy Supervisor acting on the behalf of Water District to enter into a land lease on water district lands for hiking trails and associated parking. **All others in Favor. Motion Carried.**

Adjourn:

RESOLUTION #135

Councilmember Cleavland moved, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to adjourn. **All in Favor.**
Motion Carried.

Adjourn: 10:06AM

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Jodi Petteys
Town Clerk

Katie Persons
Minute Taker

