

**Town of Lisbon Board meeting  
Wednesday October 12,2022  
Lisbon Town Hall  
6963 Co Rt 10 Lisbon, NY 13658**

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

**B. Call to order** by Supervisor Nelson at 6:00 PM

**C. Roll Call:** Supervisor William Nelson                      Councilmember Ron Bush  
Councilmember Robert McNeil                      Councilmember Jeff Dumas  
Also present: Town Clerk Alberta Hyde, Highway Superintendent Michael Baldock, Campground Director Todd Miller, Librarian Michelle McLagan, Attorney Charles Nash, CEO Marc McDonnell  
Assessor Steve Teele, Legislature- Dave Forsythe, several residents.  
Absent: Deputy Supervisor Nathan Putney

**D. Approval of previous meeting minutes** Moved by Councilmember McNeil seconded by Councilmember Dumas to approve the minutes of September 14,2022 Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried. Moved by Councilmember Bush seconded by Councilmember McNeil to approve the minutes of September 27,2022 Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried

**E. Reading of Correspondence**

The Lisbon Teacher's Association and Non-Instructional Staff will be joining together to host a Trunk-or-Treat event at Lisbon Central School on October 28,2022. The event will take place from 4:30-6:30 pm in the back parking lot of the school. If the Town Board is interested in participating, they can either create a trunk display or make a candy/monetary donation for the event.

**F. Public comment-**

- 1- Pat Green addressed the Town Board with his concerns regarding the future generation and the education they are receiving in the school system. Discussion followed.
- 2- Ellen Mills introduced herself as a landlord in the Town of Lisbon. Ms. Mills requested any assistance the Lisbon Town Board could give her regarding her property on SH 37 in the Town of Lisbon. Since Covid said property has diminished. Ms. Mills has also contacted St. Lawrence County Legislature and the IDA for assistance.

**G. Report from County Legislature-** Legislator Forsythe

- 1- St Lawrence County will be starting budget talks
- 2- There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> round of funding for Septic Systems on water ways but unfortunately Lisbon is not included.
- 3- The St Lawrence County Clerk's office is not accepting gun permits currently
- 4- RVRDA had the opportunity to tour the Madrid Power and Equipment Museum, if you have a chance to visit it is well worth it, Also Corning in Dekalb is expecting an expansion to be coming soon. St Lawrence County is growing and has a lot to offer.
- 5- Election day is November 8,2022, everyone should get out and Vote

**H. Approval of Voucher Abstract and Audited Claims:**

General-\$28,643.86

Highway-\$189,525.62

Sewer-\$7,766.15

Water-\$2,274.67

Moved by Councilmember Dumas seconded by Councilmember Bush to approve payments to bill # 1326-1397 Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried

I. **Budget-** Supervisor Nelson stated he had sent out the dates/times for the budget workshops

**J. Reports from Department's:**

Supervisor- Financial reports were e-mailed to every Town Board member, Supervisor Nelson asked if there were any questions.

Highway-

- 1- All the sand is put up for winter and the stacker worked out perfect and was a huge savings. This is the end of available sand on the sand road behind the shooting range
- 2- We received the new plow truck yesterday and will be making arrangements to put the old one up for auction
- 3- This is the last week for our summer help Andrew Hollis, he is a good worker and will be missed.
- 4- We are getting trucks ready for winter and trimming brush
- 5- Highway Superintendent Baldock asked if there were any updates on the Snow removal contract with Lisbon School. Supervisor Nelson stated that he had texted Superintendent Farrand but has had no response back.

Town Clerk-

- 1- The quote from Obvious signs for the Town office/ Welcome signs has been received
- 2- Barkley's will be upgrading the alarm communicator system for the Town office
- 3- The Town has 14 utility poles in the Hamlet, the current holiday decorations have served the Town well but they're in bad shape. The cost per decoration is around \$250-\$300.00 per pole. Discussion followed: The Town Board had allocated \$1,500.00 last February towards decorations, it was suggested that if any more funds were needed maybe the Town Clerk could ask the residents/business owners for donations. Dave Forsythe comment that Forsythe Insurance would donate.

Assessor-

- 1-The Town currently has three small claims against them from Russ Finley regarding assessments
- 2-The Article seven filed against the Town and several other Towns in St Lawrence County from SLIC is still ongoing.
- 3-There has been a lot of questions regarding Enhanced/Basic Star. Assessor Teele is available to discuss with property owners the process to register with the NYS Tax Department.

CEO-

- 1- Two new building permits issued for residents this month
- 2- Complaint on the Moran Road

Campground Director-

- 1- Campground will be closed for the season October 15,2022; Campground Director Miller is in the process of going over the revenue/expenditures.

Moved by Councilmember Dumas seconded by Councilmember Bush to accept the reports from all department's Ayes 4 Nays0 motion carried

**K. Reports of Boards and Committees**

Planning Board-CEO McDonell stated that the Lisbon Planning Board had held a Public Hearing on October 10,2022 regarding the construction of a 20 MW Solar Photovoltaic Project on Co Rt 28 and Co Rt 10 in the Town of Lisbon.

Representatives from AES Clean Energy Development LLC and several residences from Lisbon attended. CEO McDonell had gone around to several property owners before the meeting to discuss the project and invite them to attend. A lot of good concerns/questions were discussed the meeting was very informative.

Homecoming- Michelle McLagan presented the Homecoming Budget. (See attached)

Library- Library Director Michelle McLagan gave a written monthly director's report (see attached) MS McLagan announced that she had won the Library Alchemy Award this year at the annual NCLS meeting. Congratulations Michelle!

**L. Action Items-**

1. Resolution opposing Governor Hochuls enacted conceal carry gun legislation- Bill # 202253 Moved by councilmember Bush seconded by Councilmember Dumas Ayes 4 Nays0 Motion carried.

**M. New Business-** Town Clerk Hyde stated there will be a Rabies Clinic on Thursday October 13,2022 at the Lisbon Fire Department from 6-7:30 PM

**N. Old Business-**

- 1- Councilmember Bush moved to decide on whether to purchase the Welcome signs for the Hamlet and the Municipal sign for the Town Building. Discussion followed: Property owner Steve Teele was asked if the Town purchased a welcome sign if it could go on his property at the four corners. Permission was granted from Steve Teele. decision was made to purchase a sign for the Town Offices and Two for the Hamlet, one at each entrance from Obvious Signs with ARPA funds. All in favor
- 2- Councilmember McNeil questioned if there were any updates on the Lisbon Medical Center opening. Claxton-Hepburn had promised that it would be open no later than the first week in July of 2022. Discussion followed: Councilmember Bush asked if Attorney Nash would investigate the possibility of asking Canton-Potsdam Hospital if they would be interested in opening the clinic. Claxton-Hepburn has continued to pay their monthly rent and Supervisor Nelson stated he did receive an e-mail that they would like to continue the lease agreement. Attorney Nash will review the lease agreement and get back to the board.

**O. Public Comment-** discussion continued between the Town Board and Pat Green regarding policy and procedures between the Town Government and School system

- P. **Executive Session-** Moved by Supervisor Nelson seconded by Councilmember Dumas to go into executive session at 8:15 pm to discuss personnel issues. Moved by Councilmember Bush seconded by Councilmember McNeil to come out of executive session at 9:05 pm Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motion carried.
- Q. **Adjourn:** Moved by Councilmember Dumas seconded by Councilmember McNeil to adjourn at 9:06 pm Ayes 4 Nays 0 Motioned carried.

Respectfully submitted  
Alberta L Hyde, Town Clerk