# **TOWN OF PENDLETON Work Session** March 28, 2016

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Pendleton was held at the Town Hall, 6570 Campbell Blvd., Pendleton, N.Y. on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016. The meeting was scheduled for 7:00 P.M.

Supervisor Maerten opened the meeting at 7:04 P.M.

Supervisor Maerten, Councilman Leible, Councilman Fischer, Councilman Ostrowski, Councilwoman Jarvis, Clerk Pienta, Town Attorney Joerg were in attendance. Also present:

Don Bergman-Budget Officer Highway Superintendent Stowell Planning Board Chairman Joe McCaffrey Fire Chief Mark Walter

There were approximately 14 residents in attendance.

### <u>Insurance</u>

Supervisor recently met with Ron Miller representative from the Town's Insurance carrier, Evans Agency. The purpose of the meeting was to review with him with the Town's current policy. One area that he suggested that the Town consider would be to raise the liability coverage from the current five million dollars at the next renewal.

### NYS LENS program

Supervisor Maerten reported that there is a program available through the NY State DMV. The Town would establish a list of drivers that drive any of the Town's equipment with the DMV. The Town would be notified of any events that are posted to the driver's license of those employees. A couple examples of reportable events are any traffic convictions, reportable accidents, suspensions expirations of a license.

# RESOLUTION 60 - 16

# **PROCEED WITH LICENSE EVENT NOTIFICATION SERVICE (LENS)**

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Fischer, the following resolution wasADOPTEDAyes 5Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, OstrowskiNays 0

Resolved to proceed to establish a roster of Town employee that drive Town vehicles with the Department of Motor Vehicles for their License Event Notification Service (LENS).

Planning Board Code Review

**RESOLUTION 61 - 16** 

# FORWARD REQUEST FOR THE PLANNING BOARD TO REVIEW AND PROPOSE CHANGES TO THE CODE REGARDING DRAINAGE

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilwoman Jarvis, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, Ostrowski Navs 0

Resolved to forward a letter of request for the Planning Board to review and propose changes to the Town Code §122-Drainage.

Fire Chief Mark Walter spoke to the Board regarding the use of KNOX boxes for the Fire Department to allow access to commercial buildings in the event of a fire. This can save time without waiting for the owner of the building to show up or forcing entry into the building causing further damage. He explained the differences between a manual key system and a digital system.

# **RESOLUTION 62 - 16**

# FORWARD REQUEST FOR THE PLANNING BOARD TO CREATE A PROPOSAL TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF KNOX BOXES FOR NEW COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Fischer, the following resolution wasADOPTEDAyes 5Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, Ostrowski

Nays 0

Resolved to forward a letter of request for the Planning Board to create a code for the Town that would mandate the installation of KNOX boxes for newly constructed commercial buildings and address current facilities that may be undergoing remodeling or expansion.

### Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Law (VFBL) "Good Samaritan" Legislation

Fire Chief Mark Walter discussed with the Board how the "Good Samaritan" resolution would benefit the Wendelville Fire Company. The resolution would entitle the volunteer for insurance coverage under the Volunteer Firefighters' Benefit Law that the Town of Pendleton's provides should anything happen to the volunteer while on duty in another jurisdiction.

### Water Department meter change

Water-Sewer Superintendent Argo presented the Board with a draft letter that he would like to mail out to the home owners that his department have not been able to reach to replace their water meter reader. The letter explains that they have made several attempts to schedule the replacement. If the homeowner does not respond within a certain length of time they will be charged \$25.00 per month until entry and replacement can be scheduled.

# Safety/Security - Rails/Trails

Supervisor Maerten reported that the DOT would like the Town get move on the grant that the Town was awarded. There are 3 possibilities for the current Town trail to meet up with the state's trail. There will be a presentation and discussion at the April work session. Councilman Ostrowski reported that the Niagara County Sherriff's are considering putting out bike patrols. One of the concerns would be the ability to locate someone that has called for help. It would be

beneficial for the Town and the state to work together for the marking the trail for easier emergency access.

# Incident reporting

Forms for reporting any minor accident/incident have been distributed. The purpose of the form is to record any accident/incident that seem minor at the time but may lead into something that needs to be reported for insurances purposes later then the information would be readily available.

### Front landscaping

# RESOLUTION 63 - 16 AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF SHRUBS

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Fischer, the following resolution wasADOPTEDAyes 5Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, OstrowskiNays 0

Resolved to authorize Ed Dore Landscaping to proceed with the proposal presented in October 2015 to plant new shrubs in the front beds (north end) not to exceed \$1000.00.

Councilman Ostrowski proposed a committee to be formed to consider expanding the Town's July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration. Councilman Fischer and Councilman Leible will also work with this committee.

# No Parking Signs on Transit Road

Supervisor Maerten received a request from the Department of Transportation (DOT) for the Town Board's support for installing no parking signs along Transit Road for a distance of 500 feet north and 500 feet south of the driveway at the New York Beer Project (both sides of the road) located at 6933 Transit Road because of safety concerns.

#### RESOLUTION 64 – 16 LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR RESTRICTED PARKING ON TRANSIT ROAD

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Ostrowski, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, Ostrowski Nays 0

Resolved to support the DOT's decision to place restricted parking signs along Transit Road 500 feet north and 500 feet south of the driveway at 6933 Transit Road (both sides of the road) because of safety concerns.

Supervisor Maerten told the Board that he will be mailing out letters to the residents along Fisk Road asking for a letter of their concerns and their support for lowering the speed limit on Fisk Road. He will package any letters he receives along with his own letter and forward them to the DOT. The Town has requested the speed limit to be lowered several times in the past but the response has been "no change is warranted". Councilman Fischer also offered to get a petition signed by the residents along Fisk Rd.

Supervisor Maerten was asked by the Wendelville President if CNBSA would be using the baseball field that is located at Wendelville and would the Town continue to mow the baseball field. It was determined that CNBSA will not be using the field. The community can still request the use of the fields when the Fire Company is not using it so it was decided to continue with the current agreement.

# RESOLUTION 65-16

# CONTINUE GRASS CUTTING AGREEMENT FOR THE WENDELVILLE BASEBALL FIELD

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Fischer, the following resolution wasADOPTEDAyes 5Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, OstrowskiNavs 0

Resolved to continue with the current agreement for the Town to continue with the current agreement that had expired on 12-2015 but does contain a provision for automatic renewal for five consecutive years until 2020.

Supervisor Maerten updated the Board regarding the Business Development Committee. They recently met with someone regarding the Micro Enterprise Program and the Main Street USA program. The committee is trying to drum up business in Town and the two programs may help a small business get started. He will continue to update the Board.

Councilman Leible asked for approval to provide one Pickle Ball Court to be located at one of the Tennis Courts at the Campbell Blvd. location. He would like the authorization for the Highway to purchase the paint and to stripe the court.

### RESOLUTION 66-16

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPT TO STRIPE ONE PICKLE BALL COURT

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Ostrowski, the following resolution was ADOPTED Ayes 5 Maerten, Leible, Fischer, Jarvis, Ostrowski Navs 0

Resolved to authorize the Highway Department to stripe one of the Campbell Boulevard tennis courts as a Pickle Ball Court.

Attorney Claude Joerg reported that National Fuel (Empire Pipeline) has asked for permission to come onto Town property to survey for the proposed pipeline. No permission was granted.

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Fischer to adjourn to Executive Session for Personnel and Litigation at 8:20 P.M. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilman Leible, seconded by Councilman Fischer at 9:44 P.M. to adjourn from the Executive Session and the Work Session. Motion carried.

Terry J. Pienta, Town Clerk