# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF NEW LEBANON HELD ON APRIL 9, 2024

Present: Tistrya Houghtling, Supervisor

Elizabeth Kroboth, Councilmember Steve Powers, Councilmember Susan Tipograph, Councilmember

Absent: Craig Skerkis, Councilmember

Recording Secretary: Marsha (Marcie) Robertson, Town Clerk

Others Present: Sharon Powers, IT Website Support, BEDC & QOL Com.

Member

Peg Munves, CAC Co-Chair

Margaret Robertson, Historic Railroad Comm. Member

Jim Carroll, Planning Board & ZRC Member Peter McCagg, Highway Superintendent (7:18pm) Abbie Shoobs, Recreation Commission Chair (6:19pm)

Ted Salem, ZBA Member & ZRC Chair

Mary Young, NL Rep to CC Office for the Aging & Traffic

Safety

Bruce Shenker, NL Rep to CC Env Mgt Council, CAC & CSC

Member

Stacey Breads, Playground Design Committee Member Beth LaGrange, Playground Design Committee Member

Joanne Amlaw, Recreation Commission Member

Doug LaRocque, The Columbia Paper

Members of the Public

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Supervisor Houghtling. The meeting was held in person at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 State Route 22 North, New Lebanon, NY 12125 with members of the public also being able to view the meeting at the following link: https://townhallstreams.com/towns/new\_lebanon\_ny

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of John Trainor, followed by the flag salute. The emergency exits were pointed out.

## **MINUTES:**

The minutes of the March 8, 2024 Special Meeting (Deputy Court Clerk), and March 12, 2024 Regular Monthly Meeting of the Town Board were reviewed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tipograph, seconded by Councilmember Powers, and approved unanimously except for Councilmembers Powers, who is absent, to approve the two sets of minutes as typed.

## **FINANCIAL:**

## Supervisor's Report:

The Supervisor's Report as of March 31, 2024 was available to the public via the Town Clerk's email and the Town website and the Town Board was emailed the Supervisor's Report by Supervisor Houghtling.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tipograph to accept the Supervisor's report for March as typed. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Powers.

## Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

## PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

In addition to an in-person privilege of the floor, Supervisor Houghtling will read all comments, questions and concerns emailed to <a href="mailto:supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com">supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com</a> during the meeting.

No one in person spoke for POF.

Mr. Muadin: Mr. Muadin spoke online regarding telecommunications code.

**Dorothy Dooren:** Dorothy spoke online regarding telecommunications code and the 911 Cell Tower.

## **BUDGET AMENDMENT #4 OF 2024:**

Supervisor Houghtling stated, when they brought money into the Capital account for the two highway trucks, the cost of registration fees was unknown so they are moving \$875 from the Highway Appropriated Fund Balance into the Capital account that the vouchers are being paid out of.

#### General Fund:

\$ 16,324.00	from A-003917 (Appropriated Fund Balance)
\$ 332.00	to A-1010.4 (Town Board – Cont. Exp.)
\$ 2,267.00	to A-1460.4 (Records Management – Cont. Exp.)
\$ 500.00	to A-6410.4 (Publicity – Cont. Exp. [BEDC])
\$ 12,081.00	to A-7140.46 (Skate Park)
\$ 1,144.00	to A-7310.2 (Youth Program – Equip.)

## Capital Project – 2 Highway Trucks:

\$ 875.00	from H-5031 (Transfer from Highway Fund)
\$ 875.00	to H-5130.21 (Hwy Equipment – Capital Expense)

# **Highway Fund:**

\$ 875.00	from DA-003917 (Appropriated Fund Balance)
\$ 875.00	to DA-9950.9 (Transfer to Capital Project)

A motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling to approve the above noted budget amendment #4 of 2024 as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tipograph.

## Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

## **AUDIT OF BILLS:**

#### 2024 Bills:

General Nos. 122 through 165, in the amount of \$161,786.28; Highway Nos. 40 through 56, in the amount of \$39,042.47; Escrow No. 3, in the amount of \$800.00; and Capital No. 1, in the amount of \$179,560.00: As listed on Abstract No. 4 dated April 9, 2024.

A motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling to pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tipograph.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Abstain
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

## COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, committee reports as received to her office by Friday afternoon were sent out to the public and the Town Board. She asked if any board members had any questions or need for clarification on any of the committee reports?

Supervisor Houghtling asked the committee chairs that are present, do any of the committee have any further updates or action that is needed by the Town Board?

**Councilmember Tipograph:** Susan commented on behalf of Councilmember Skerkis, who is absent, to point out that he wished to publicly address Jeannine Tonetti about her request to have the lighting rewired in the Historical Society's office. It is his understanding that the CSC under Steve Powers is reviewing an upgrade to the lighting for better efficiency and Councilmember Skerkis has not had an opportunity to talk directly with Steve. He plans to and will get more details on the issue.

**Peg Munves, CAC:** Peg reported, that MJ has left the NY Rural Water. The implementation plan is almost there, they have two small wording changes, and they are hoping that DEC approves everything that they have done. Peg commented that the CAC will be planning a public education day in Shatford Park.

**Steve Powers, CSC:** Steve reported, the CSC has officially been approved for the Silver category. New Lebanon is the smallest town to achieve this category. This will qualify New Lebanon in the CEC, NYDERDA's Green Energy Communities Program to over 8,000

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points. These points can be used towards lighting updates, solar panels, and heat pumps for the town. The official announcement will be on Earth Day.

**Councilmember Tipograph:** Susan mentioned that she reads all of the committee reports and she is constantly reminded of the number of volunteers and how much they do for New Lebanon.

**Supervisor Houghtling:** Tistrya mentioned that she is looking for a volunteer to put up posters in town for events that are happening. Bruce Shenker volunteered to do this.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# Introductory LL#1 of 2024 - Self Storage Units:

Councilmember Tipograph on behalf of Councilmember Skerkis in his absence, relayed his thoughts on the Introductory LL#1 of 2024, "he has reviewed the county's inputs on the proposed changes along with our Planning Board's additional changes and our Attorney's response, it is my opinion we follow the Attorney's response in this matter".

Supervisor Houghtling reported, the County Planning Board said they are good to go with no input, the Town Planning Board had quite a bit of input and changes they wanted to see implemented, the town attorney opined that they would be substantive changes, which would mean the board would have to re-introduce it at the next meeting, hold a new public hearing, and the earliest the town would be able to adopt it would be June. The moratorium expires in a little over a week, so they attorney's recommendation is to adopt it as drafted with a few minor changes that are not substantive and then the board can revisit another amendment to it in another local law in the future.

Supervisor Houghtling, read the revision in the Introductory Local Law that was different from the one that was sent out to the public. No one on the board had any questions or concerns.

A motion was made by Councilmember Powers to recognize that the changes to Introductory Local Law No. 1 of 2024, as set forth in Introductory Local Law No. 1 of 2024 Version 2 (marked last revised April 8, 2024), are ministerial in nature, and do not change the substantive meaning of Introductory Local Law No. 1 of 2024 as introduced on March 12, 2024. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tipograph.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

Supervisor Houghtling reviewed the Part 2 of the SEQRA Full EAF and Part 3 that would make a finding of no significant adverse environmental impact. There were no questions or concerns by the Town Board.

A motion was made by Councilmember Powers to adopt the Part 2 and Part 3 of the Full EAF as prepared by the Attorney for the Town and to adopt a Negative Declaration under the State Environmental Quality Review Act in connection with the enactment of Introductory Local Law No. 8 of 2023 and to direct and authorize the Town Supervisor or her designee to satisfy the filing and publication requirements in accordance with applicable regulations. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tipograph.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

A motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling to enact Introductory Local Law No. 1 of 2024 Version 2 last revised April 8, 2024, as Local Law No. 1 of 2024 and to authorize and direct the Town Clerk and Town Supervisor, or their respective designees, to file and report the adoption of same as may be required by law. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tipograph.

## Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

Supervisor Houghtling stated, for the Town Planning Board input, she was thinking herself, one other board member, Elizabeth Brutsch, Planning Board Chair and a couple of the board members, and Ted Salem would like to get together to meet with the town attorney and go line by line over the input that was received. Councilmember Powers and Ted Salem agreed to the meeting.

Ted Salem, ZBA & ZRC Chair stated, they had talked about looking at that central commercial zone and honing in on uses, he asked if the board would like them to take the lead on that and include the BEDC, infrastructure group, and anyone else that would be beneficial. Supervisor Houghtling replied, that would be great, and the board agreed.

# Letters of Interest for Summer Camp Health Director:

Supervisor Houghtling reported, we received a letter of interest from Eileen Raab who is a nurse and community member. In the past this position has been volunteer or in trade for summer camp attendance at no charge. The notice did not mention anything about compensation, which still needs to be discussed with Eileen.

The board agreed to wait to appoint her until after they pay compensation has been discussed with her. Supervisor Houghtling agreed to do this. The appointment is tabled at this time.

#### Tennis Court Bathrooms Renovation:

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Town Board members went and looked at the bathrooms and emailed the Supervisor with their different ideas on what needed to be done. Supervisor Houghtling stated, she sent a late email to the board regarding her conversation with Jeff Hattat. She stated, that it seems that Councilmember Kroboth and Peter McCagg determined that the bathrooms do need a new roof.

Councilmember Kroboth responded, not necessarily a full new roof, likely just shingles. Pete thinks the underneath material is still good. Councilmember Kroboth reported, there is soffit work that needs to be done, the lighting, the men's room stall needs to be replaced, and some cosmetic interior work.

Supervisor Houghtling stated, the Playground Design Committee discussed ADA compliant bathrooms and she was unaware that ADA was not the same as Universally Accessible until it was brought it up at their meeting. A couple on the committee with a child in a wheelchair explained an ADA bathroom does not accommodate a child like theirs. A wheelchair may be able to fit into the bathroom but there is no place to change or address the needs of their child, as they cannot lift them to a changing table and the changing tables are meant for infants, not to hold a heavier child or adult. An inclusive bathroom would have a table that lifts up and down. The committee recommended the tennis court bathrooms become family bathrooms, not gender specific with one side being inclusive. This would involve modifying the entrance into one of the sides to allow wheelchair access and a lift inside to accommodate those in wheelchairs.

Supervisor Houghtling stated, this is not something that she would be looking for town budget money to cover. The mother who is on the committee did a paper for her college about it and there is a lot of funding available if you are looking to make a Universally Accessible bathroom and she felt like she could find funding for this. Supervisor Houghtling stated, per Jeff Hattat's email if we are doing roof repair we will need engineered stamped plans. If we are going to widen the doorway, we need engineered stamped plans. She commented, if we need to go the direction of engineered stamped plans anyway, she would like to consider widening the doorway and making it so that we have universal bathrooms.

Councilmember Kroboth, commented she has a disabled sister, she is a disabled advocate, please do not take her remarks that she is not an advocate for disabled people. She stated, Columbia County ARC, their pre-school and day program are all in Hudson. Their residences are all in Southern Columbia County, to her it does not make sense for New Lebanon to invest a large amount of money in an inclusive facility restroom, maybe even the playground, she thinks they need to stay within the budget they have, the funding received from the park grant, and the match from the town. Maybe the town can work with the rest of the county on getting an inclusive playground with inclusive bathrooms somewhere that it makes sense for more people to have access to it. She does not think that a sufficient amount of people will utilize it in New Lebanon, we are remote from the rest of the county. She thinks it will get a lot more use if it were closer to the COARC facilities.

Supervisor Houghtling responded, the grant was for a universally accessible playground, which is what we are budgeted for. She stated, if they do the lift, she is not talking about pulling that money from the playground budget, she would look for other funding for that

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expense. Supervisor Houghtling, reported in the committee's research they found that there is no universally accessible playground in all of Columbia or Rensselear Counties. With New Lebanon being a central point, the two counties could have a place that many families could bring their kids. The closest ones are an hour and a half away from this area.

The board continued discussion on the playground budget, having a universally accessible playground and consider making the bathrooms universally accessible as well when they are renovated.

Councilmember Tipograph read Councilmember Skerkis's comments in his absence. He wrote, he "wants to caution the fellow board members and Supervisor on the amount of money being invested in the park, playground, and projects. Although all of these are nice efforts, he feels strongly they need to complete the projects on hand before moving onto another project. The park is in various stages of disarray from the recent high winds combined with the projects of walking trails, and soon the playground complete renovation. At the risk of being redundant they need to slow down and complete what they have started."

Councilmember Tipograph commented, she would like to have Jeff Hattat look at the project and see if it will involve an engineer then she would like to rethink what they may do or not do with changing the plan that they originally had.

Councilmember Kroboth commented, they should not throw money at it now for repairs if they are going to do something else down the road.

The board continued discussion on the renovation of the bathroom, how volunteers could be helpful and what would have to be done by a professional.

Supervisor Houghtling reported, she reached out to Jesse on the skate park. He informed her that he has been waiting for warm weather to do the coatings, which is the last thing that needs to be done to finish the skate park. They plan to have the skate park up and running within a month.

# Amend Resolution #9 of 2024 - SYP Fees

Supervisor Houghtling stated, they amended the SYP fees at the February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting but only amended one section for residents with town taxes paid to New Lebanon and kept the wording for a discount of 20% if final payments are received by a certain date. She stated, that is no longer true, that would only be true if they amended all the fees in the same amounts. This amended resolution crosses out the discounted 20% and change the date to June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Town of New Lebanon Resolution # 12, 2024 Summer Youth Program Fees April 9, 2024

At the Regular Monthly Meeting of the New Lebanon Town Board, held at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 NYS Route 22, New Lebanon, New York, duly called and held on the 9th day of April 2024, the following Resolution was proposed and seconded:

Resolution by Supervisor Houghtling Seconded by Councilmember Powers

#### SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM FEES

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the New Lebanon Town Board hereby establishes the following rates and fees for the eight-week Town of New Lebanon Summer Youth Program:

## **Early Registration Fees** (*if final payment is received by* June 7<sup>th</sup>):

# Resident (Town taxes paid to New Lebanon):

1 child \$384/season 2 children \$576/season 3 children \$706/season 4+ children \$802/season

## <u>Local Non-resident (Town taxes not paid to New Lebanon, School taxes paid to NLCSD):</u>

1 child \$810/season 2 children \$1,200/season 3 children \$1,620/season 4+ children \$1,920/season

## Non-resident (Town taxes not paid to New Lebanon; School taxes not paid to NLCSD):

Per child \$1,620/season

#### **Registration Fees** (if final payment is received after June 7<sup>th</sup>):

#### Resident (Town taxes paid to New Lebanon):

1 child \$600/season 2 children \$900/season 3 children \$1,102/season 4+ children \$1,252/season

# Local Non-resident (Town taxes not paid to New Lebanon, School taxes paid to NLCSD):

1 child \$1,013/season 2 children \$1,500/season 3 children \$2,025/season 4+ children \$2,400/season

# Non-resident (Town taxes not paid to New Lebanon; School taxes not paid to NLCSD):

Per child \$2,025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a weekly fee option is available that is the relevant season cost divided by 8 and multiplied by 2. Discretion is given to the Summer Camp Director as to how many weekly enrollments are allowed with a first come, first serve basis.

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Applications must specify what week they are signing up for. It is the right of the Summer Camp Director to refuse any weekly enrollments based on overall enrollment and staffing levels; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, these fees are due at the time of registration and they are non-refundable, unless the Town of New Lebanon cancels the Summer Youth Program prior to the program commencing for that season.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the fees for participation in other on-site and off-site programs and field trips will be determined by the Camp Director based on the cost of the program/field trip; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the registration fee(s) will be reduced by 10% for the children of Town of New Lebanon employees.

Upon the question of the foregoing Resolution, the following Town Board Members voted

"Aye" or "Nay" for said Resolution:

#### Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Steve Powers
Councilmember Elizabeth Kroboth
Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling
Councilmember Susan Tipograph
Councilmember Craig Skerkis
Aye
Aye
Aye

The Resolution, having been approved by a majority vote of the Town Board, was declared duly adopted by the Supervisor of the Town of New Lebanon.

Dated: April 9, 2024 Marcie Robertson New Lebanon Town Clerk

# Summer Camp Financial Assistance:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, there are residents that need help and depend on summer camp for child care. Even though our rates are low, there are families who struggle to pay for it. Last year Supervisor Houghtling partnered with Family of Woodstock, who Columbia County DSS contracts with for financial assistance programs for summer camp. It was a lot of work, and the few families that did want to apply contacted her and said the paperwork was too much so there were no applicants.

Supervisor Houghtling reported there is a new non-profit organization in town, the Lebanon Valley Community Corporation, LVCC. They are doing a financial assistance

program, they will be collecting donations from local business sponsors, residents, and anyone who feels they might want to contribute to families who need financial assistance. The parameters will be if a family qualifies for SNAP benefits, they qualify for financial assistance. The amount given will depend on how many people apply and how many people donate.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tipograph, seconded by Supervisor Houghtling, and approved unanimously with the exception of Councilmember Skerkis, who is absent to authorize the Supervisor to include wording on the actual Summer Camp Registration that directs people directly to the LVCC if they qualify for SNAP and they feel like they would like to apply for financial assistance.

# Splash Pad Renovation Bids Received:

Supervisor Houghtling reported, they did not receive any bids for the splash pad renovation. They did hear from Darcy Construction that they are interested in bidding, they timing just did not work out to submit a bid by the due date.

A motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling, seconded by Councilmember Tipograph, and approved unanimously with the exception of Councilmember Skerkis, who is absent to go back out to bid for the splash pad renovation, ask the Town Clerk to re-notice it in the paper and other locations with bids due by 10:00am on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and a Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 11:00am to consider bids received.

# Correction on Statement Made at February TB Meeting RE TSLED Retention:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, at the February Town Board meeting she stated that Court TSLED documents had to be retained for six years. She stated, she now has a document that was shared with the public from Division of Professional and Court Services Office of Records Management. There four different types of TSLED records and for the record, to correct her previous statement, if it is a TSLED program report of cases pending for sixty days then it is retain until updated report is received, then destroy. If it is a TSLED program report of disposed cases it is retained for six years, then destroy. If it is a STLED program report of pending cases it is retain until updated report is received, then destroy. If it a TSLED program report of transferred cases it is retain for six months or until no longer needed, whichever is sooner, then destroy. Supervisor Houghtling stated, she is correcting the record on her previous statement that is the official retention for TSLED documents.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Policy Review - Social Media Use Policy, Firearms & Dangerous Weapons Policy and Personnel Policy:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, she would like to table the Social Media Policy until next month, she would like to go over with Councilmember Skerkis.

Supervisor Houghtling updated, she sent the concerns of the board on the way the Firearms & Dangerous Weapons Policy was drafted to the HR Attorney who prepared the first draft. She did send an updated version. The board discussed the changes made in the updated version. Supervisor Houghtling will table this policy to next month to embed it into the Personnel Policy and then the board will change both the Firearms and Personnel policies.

Supervisor Houghtling stated, if they are going to amend the Personnel policy anyway, it recently came up that currently our Personnel Policy says that sick and personal time hits on January 1<sup>st</sup>. The problem with that is the Organizational Meeting is not usually until at least January 2<sup>nd</sup>. If they have an employee that was not reappointed, they would get that sick and personal time and she does not think that is the intention. It was suggested that sick and personal time hits upon the conclusion of the Organization meeting. The board agreed.

Supervisor Houghtling will get these policy changes to the HR Attorney to make the corrections.

# Highway Request - Stewart's Gas Card:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, the gas card we used to have for the highway department no longer works at Stewart's, only at Exxon or Mobil stations. We looked into various options and it seems the one that would work is the Town Clerk having authorization to purchase a \$500 gas card from Stewart's and giving it to the highway superintendent who would then produce \$500 in gas receipts before getting another gas card.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tipograph to authorize the Town Clerk to purchase a Stewart's Gas Card up to \$500.00 on the town credit card and to replenish as needed, to be worked out with the Highway Superintendent and the Town Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Powers.

# Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

## Review EV Charging Station Fees:

Councilmember Powers reported on the cost of running the EV Charging station. The state covered the first two years, which ran out last July. After looking at what other towns were charging, the board decided to set the rate at \$.35 per/kWh for charging. Since then 111

people have used the charger. The revenue brought in and the pay out to NYSEG is about even. The big cost are, Charge Point, the company that operates it charges an annual fee of \$1,426.00 to cover their wireless and admin fees to allow us to bill our line. In addition to that, there are \$150.00 in plowing fees for the last year. Councilmember Powers stated, the CSC has an EV campaign that they will get a \$5,000 grant for and he is proposing that the board considers using that \$5,000 for these fees for the next couple of years. Hopefully the use of the charging station will increase.

No motion needed to be made, the charging rates will remain the same.

# Agreement with CCSO to Provide Court Security:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, we contract with the County for Court security. The rate per hour is not set in the contract because we pay based on the rate of the Sherriff that is sent out for Court Duty.

A motion was made by Councilmember Tipograph to authorize the Supervisor to sign the annual agreement on behalf of the town. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroboth.

#### Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

#### Paid Town Email Accounts - Contract Renewal:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, any emails that end with @townofnewlebanon.com are paid email accounts. We typically do a three year contract to lock in a lower price. The price quoted is for one year that we pay annually but we lock into that price for three years with the contract renewal.

A motion was made by Councilmember Powers to authorize the Supervisor to enter into the three year agreement with Google Workspace and gPanel Renewal and if necessary, pay the annual rate on an interim voucher. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroboth.

## Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

# Go Out for Letters of Interest for SYP Assistant Director, Counselors & CITs:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, the assistant director from last year wants to return however she can only do part time. Robert Long, SYP Director would like to do one ad asking for letters of interest for assistant director, counselors and CITs.

A motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling, seconded by Councilmember Powers, and approved unanimously with the exception of Councilmember Skerkis, who is absent to go out for letters of interest for Summer Youth Program Assistant Director, Counselors, and CITs ask the Town Clerk to advertise accordingly and have letters of interest due by 4:00pm on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

#### NYSLRS Annual Resolution:

Supervisor Houghtling stated, this is being tabled.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## **APRIL:**

Saturday, April 20 ~ FREE Seed Starting Workshop @ 10:00 am at Community Center - MUST RSVP to Blaine @ 518-242-6778 by April 14

Saturday, April 20 ~ Town clean-up day meet at the Shatford Park Pavilion @ 10:00 am to 2:00pm organized by the CSC

Tuesday, April 30th, 2024 at 11:00 am- Special Meeting – Splash Pad Bids MAY:

Thursday, May 2 ~ FREE Community Dinner @ 6:00 pm at Community Center Tuesday, May 14 ~ Regular Monthly Meeting @ 6:00 pm at Town Hall

## PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

In addition to an in-person privilege of the floor, Supervisor Houghtling will read all comments, questions and concerns emailed to <a href="mailto:supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com">supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com</a> during the meeting.

**Meg Robertson:** Meg spoke in memory of John Trainor.

**Joanne Amlaw:** Joanne spoke on park matters. The skate park, the trees in the park, the old bleachers in the back of the park in the woods, softball lights, and the well drilling site.

**Abbie Shoobs:** Abbie addressed the ice rink liner, getting it picked up and stored away.

**Peter McCagg:** Pete discussed the Firearms Policy and a current situation with nuisance beavers that are causing flooding on town roadways.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kroboth, seconded by Councilmember Powers, and approved unanimously with the exception of Councilmember Skerkis who is absent to authorize the Town Supervisor, with the approval of the Town Board give written

permission for Peter McCagg, Highway Superintendent for the Town of New Lebanon to carry a firearm when on town property, in all town owned vehicles or his personal vehicle, or town equipment while or conducting town business.

Beth LaGrange: Beth discussed the bathroom renovation and privacy concerns.

Mr. Muadin: Mr. Muadin spoke in memory of John Trainor.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Supervisor Houghtling, to adjourn the meeting at 7:54pm. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Kroboth.

# Roll Call Vote:

Councilmember Powers - Aye
Councilmember Kroboth - Aye
Supervisor Houghtling - Aye
Councilmember Tipograph - Aye
Councilmember Skerkis - Absent

# Respectfully submitted,

Marcie Robertson New Lebanon Town Clerk