

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF LYONS BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011, AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE VILLAGE HALL, 76 WILLIAM STREET, LYONS, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: Corrine Kleisle, Mayor  
Dennis Alvaro, Deputy Mayor  
Richard Evangelist, Joanne Greco, Terry VanStean, Trustees  
Denise Darcangelis, Clerk-Treasurer

Also Present: Dan LaGasse, Brian Manktelow

This meeting was duly noticed to Lakeshore News, and the Finger Lakes Times with public notice posted on the Village Official Bulletin Board and the Village website.

Mayor Kleisle welcomed everyone present and all stood for the pledge to the flag.

Mayor Kleisle asked the Clerk-Treasurer to read the legal notice for the special meeting.

Mayor Kleisle stated the purpose of the meeting was to reconvene Local Law 3-2011, amending Chapter 26, Entitled, "Water Service" of the Village of Lyons Municipal Code and the decommissioning of the Lyons Water Plant.

Mayor Kleisle asked if anyone would like to speak.

Trustee VanStean spoke and said he took the numbers that was given to him. He cannot see the savings from decommissioning the water plant. He stated he referred to the water rate study and the memo from the Mayor on September 8<sup>th</sup>. He also questioned the New York State Comptrollers Audit and questioned where their figures came from. Mayor Kleisle explained to him the State Auditors were in the office for 6 months reviewing figures, pulling files, reviewing expenses, and reports. They came up with their own conclusion.

Trustee VanStean stated there was never an Engineering Study done to see what the costs would be to keep the plant open.

Water Rates were then discussed. Mayor Kleisle reviewed the 2011-2012 budget line by line explaining in detail the reason for the increases or decreases. She asked the Board members to tell her where we could save in the current budget.

Trustee VanStean then questioned why do we charge the outside users more for water than the Village users? Mayor Kleisle stated the outside users used to pay 1.75 more; they are currently paying 1.4 more. The Village of Lyons built the water tank on Sohn Alloway and paid for the entire infrastructure to get the water to them. Mayor Kleisle explained when the first few houses were built in Gristmill they were to be annexed to the Village. However, this never happened. The Village attorney then stated they would have to contract the water with each homeowner if they do not want to be a Village taxpayer. A water district was then formed.

Mayor Kleisle stated in two years, the water tank for them will need to be scraped and repainted; she asked Trustee VanStean, "Who should pay for that?"

Mayor Kleisle stated from the Public Hearing held on September 6, 2011, she feels the taxpayers do not feel the outside users should pay the same as Village residents.

Trustee VanStean stated this is a burden on the rate payers. We cannot compete; our rates are 4 times higher.

Mayor Kleisle responded that many of the local communities are in the business to sell water. Some are in water districts that pay \$2,000-\$3,000 a year to have water lines in-front of their property. The Village of Lyons pays for everything.

Trustee Evangelist spoke and stated he has listened and learned a lot. He cannot see reducing the outside user's rate for the Village residents to absorb to make up the difference. This is much clearer now.

RESOLUTION offered by Mayor Kleisle, second by Mr. Evangelist

RESOLVED that the Local Law 3-2011 amending Chapter 26, Entitled "Water Service", Article 1, Section 26.20 delete "Table of Rates" Sub division A and B and amend to 26.20 "Rates". Rates for the use of water charges for the installation of services for meters for testing for fire service, or for other special services and penalties shall be set, from time to time by resolution of the Village Board of the Village of Lyons.

AYES: Mr. Alvaro, Mr. Evangelist, Ms. Greco

NAYE: Mr. VanStean

RESOLUTION offered by Mayor Kleisle, second by Mr. Evangelist.

RESOLVED that the water rates proposed in Local Law 3-2011 be adopted effective with the October 5, 2011, billing for water consumption for the period July 2011 thru September 2011.

AYES: Mr. Alvaro, Mr. Evangelist, Ms. Greco

NAYE: Mr. VanStean

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Alvaro, second by Ms. Greco

RESOLVED that permission is granted for the Lyons Vocal Jazz Ensemble to hold a carwash on September 18, 2011, at Santelli Lumber; water will be metered and the organization will be billed for water usage.

AYES: Mr. Alvaro, Mr. Evangelist, Ms. Greco, Mr. VanStean

RESOLUTION offered by Ms. Greco, second by Mr. Alvaro

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned.

AYES: Mr. Alvaro, Mr. Evangelist, Ms. Greco, Mr. VanStean

Meeting adjourned at 6:43 P.M.

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Denise Darcangelis, Clerk-Treasurer