Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy held on Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Boardroom of the Town Hall, 48 Main Street LeRoy, New York.

Members Present: James Farnholz, Supervisor

William Fox, Council John Johnson, Council David Paddock, Council

Absent: John Armitage, Council

Eric Stauffer, Highway Supt.

Recording Secretary: Patricia A. Canfield, Town Clerk

Others Present:

Supervisor Farnholz called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM followed by the pledge to the flag and approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 25, 2023 on **MOTION** by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Fox and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Budget Transfers – 2022 – As Listed -

On **MOTION** by Councilman Paddock and seconded by Supervisor Farnholz and passed unanimously with voting as follows: Council Fox, Johnson, Paddock and Supervisor Farnholz – aye the following **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy authorizes the following budget transfers for year-end December 2022 as listed from A General Fund; B Outside of Village; DA & DB Highway Budgets: [Budget Adjustments Enclosed].

2. Zone & Code Office – Appointment –

On **MOTION** by Supervisor Farnholz and seconded by Councilman Paddock and passed unanimously with voting as follows: Council Fox, Johnson, Paddock and Supervisor Farnholz – aye the following **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy approves the appointment of Andrew Wilcox to the position of part-time Zone and Code Officer at 16 hours per week effective July 6, 2023 pending civil service approval.

3. Community Pool and Spray Park Usage – Resident/Non-Resident –

Town Board discussed usage of both the community pool and new spray park regarding resident and non-resident use. Access to community pool will be for Town/Village of LeRoy residents and any non-resident would need to be accompanied by a resident.

4. Farmland Protection - Resolution -

a) Udderly Better Acres, LLC -

On **MOTION** by Supervisor Farnholz and seconded by Councilman Paddock and passed with voting as follows: Council Johnson, Paddock and Supervisor Farnholz – aye; Council Fox - nay the following **RESOLUTION**:

Whereas, the Town Board adopted a farmland Protection Plan in 2008; and

Whereas, part of that plan includes providing support for local farms and identifies conservation easements and the purchase of development rights as a tool to protect farmland; and

Whereas, the Town received notice from the Genesee Land Trust, our partners in the preservation of farmland, that Udderly Better Acres, LLC, 8627 Vallance Road, LeRoy NY 14482 applied for the farmland protection implementation grant through NYSDAM in Round 19; and

Whereas, the Town Board members have reviewed the attached conflict of interest form from the New York State Dept. of Ag and Markets and confirm they have no potential conflicts of interests as it relates to this farm; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign the attached letters that they do not oppose the Genesee Land Trust's pending application under the States Round 19 FPIG Program for 2023.

b) Branton Farm, LLC -

On **MOTION** by Supervisor Farnholz and seconded by Councilman Paddock and passed with voting as follows: Council Johnson, Paddock and Supervisor Farnholz – aye; Council Fox - nay the following **RESOLUTION**:

Whereas, the Town Board adopted a farmland Protection Plan in 2008; and

Whereas, part of that plan includes providing support for local farms and identifies conservation easements and the purchase of development rights as a tool to protect farmland; and

Whereas, the Town received notice from the Genesee Land Trust, our partners in the preservation of farmland, that Branton Farm LLC [Branton Realty, LLC] 8618 Buckley Road, LeRoy NY applied for the farmland protection implementation grant through NYSDAM in Round 19; and

Whereas, the Town Board members have reviewed the attached conflict of interest form from the New York State Dept. of Ag and Markets and confirm they have no potential conflicts of interests as it relates to this farm; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign the attached letters that they do not oppose the Genesee Land Trust's pending application under the States Round 19 FPIG Program for 2023.

5. LeRoy Community Pool – Scholarship Application – 2023 –

The Women of the Moose in LeRoy have donated scholarship funding for those in need and issued to Town/Village of LeRoy residents only.

On **MOTION** by Supervisor Farnholz and seconded by Councilman Johnson and passed unanimously with voting as follows: Council Fox, Johnson, Paddock and Supervisor Farnholz – aye the following **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy approves the Pool Scholarship Application created by Recreation Directors to be submitted for financial assistance consideration for community pool membership for Summer 2023 season with the funds donated by the Women of the Moose in LeRoy NY.

6. Auditing Contract – Town of LeRoy – Auditing Service – Year-End and Annual Update Document Preparation –

Town Board contracted with EFPR Group to perform auditing services for year end and annual update document preparation after prior firm Freed Maxick discontinued auditing services.

Town received AUD report in December 2022 and was not able to obtain the financial year-end reports for 2023 after several attempts to contact EFPR Group.

On **MOTION** by Supervisor Farnholz and by Councilman Johnson and passed unanimously with voting as follows: Council Fox, Johnson, Paddock and Supervisor Farnholz – aye the following **RESOLUTION**:

RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of LeRoy authorizes to obtain bid pricing/quote to perform the Annual Update Document and Year-End Financial reports for the Town of LeRoy effective immediately.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Highway:

Supervisor Farnholz reported cameras have been installed at Highway along with security equipment as needed.

Clerk:

Total fees collected for the month of May 2023 at \$10,193.00 with \$9,348.16 remitted to the Supervisor.

Assessments:

Supervisor Farnholz reported grievance day was held with Assessment Board of Review on June 5, 2023 to meet with residents on assessment questions or issues. Town of LeRoy is currently assessed at approximately 78% and will be looking to move to around 85% for 2024.

Code:

Supervisor Farnholz reported:

➤ 8626 West Bergen Road – Resident is seeking information from Ag & Markets and Town of LeRoy to operate a chicken farm. Operation will be under Ag & Markets jurisdiction. Town of LeRoy can require site plan and hold information meeting.

Parks & Recreation:

Supervisor Farnholz reported Recreation Directors will be available at the Farmers Market on June 10th to sell pool passes.

Ambulance:

Councilman Johnson reported LeRoy Ambulance will be conducting a raffle on September 9th and will be seeking financial assistance from Genesee County.

GAM/Supervisor:

Supervisor Farnholz reported two certificates of deposit [CD] have been renewed with Five Star Bank at 4.5% for six months. Highway Dept. have requested to take off July 3, 2023 as floating holiday.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

On **MOTION** by Councilman Paddock and seconded by Councilman Johnson and passed unanimously the following bills were presented for payment:

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General Fund A, B, SL & Cap Proj H: \$13,383.16 256~281 [online pay]

Highway Fund DA & DB: \$10,399.98 84~88

Water Fund SW:

With no further business to come before the Board, on MOTION by Supervisor Farnholz and seconded by Councilman Paddock and passed unanimously to adjourn at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Patricia A. Canfield Town Clerk