

A JOINT MEETING, TOWN OF AVON OCTOBER 7, 2019

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A joint meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Avon and the Town Board of the Town of Avon was held in Conference Room B of Village Hall, 74 Genesee Street, Avon, New York on Monday October 7th, 2019.

Present: Thomas Freeman, Mayor
Mark McKeown, Trustee
Tim Batzel, Trustee
Bill Zhe, Trustee
Rob Hayes, Trustee

David LeFeber, Supervisor, Town of Avon
Tom Mairs, Deputy Supervisor, Town of Avon
Paul Drozdziel, Councilman, Town of Avon
Malachy Coyne, Councilman, Town of Avon
James Harrington, Councilman, Town of Avon

Staff: John Barrett, Supt. Of Public Works
Tony Cappello, Code Enforcement Officer
Chief Joseph Geer, Police Chief
Jeanette Cullinan, Village/Town Court Clerk

Visitors: Bill Davis, MRB
Kathy Cole, Town of Avon Planning Board Chair

Mayor Freeman called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

JOINT MEETING:

Mayor Freeman welcomed the Town Board and led discussion on several topics:

- *Water Tank Study*- Hydrant testing is complete. Water model has been developed and calibrated. Tank option has been developed. Model is being evaluated for changes in flow dynamics. Also working on cost estimates for watermain improvements.
- *Water Plant Study*- Working to provide a more detailed site drawing, pump selection, building lay out, and hydraulic profile in order to refine the cost estimate. MRB has reached out to two pump vendors for a selection of pumps based on different scenarios. Received a few options. A precast building and vertical pump arrangement are being investigated. Vertical pump would help to stay in the original footprint. It was asked how this would affect our school tax payment in Livonia. It is believed that if there is no additional footage added to the footprint, there would be no affect. It was agreed by both Boards that another meeting with the Water Board to review this information would be a good idea. MRB hopes to meet with them in November.

- Supervisor LeFeber discussed that he has spoken to Mr. Mulligan about having water available up to Barber Road. He wanted to make sure that MRB was aware of the discussion.
- *Municipal Parking Lot*- discussion regarding the purchase of 97 Genesee Street was reviewed. Now that the Village and Town own the property, a more thorough discussion can be had with the Parking Lot Committee. Kathy Cole, who is a member of the Town Planning Board, is also a member of the Parking Lot Committee. She stated that the committee has not had anything to discuss recently, but since the property has been acquired, serious discussion can now take place. Ideas revolved around several possibilities for points of access, a three driveway versus two driveway entrance/exit, keeping the house on the property (what could it be used for?), removing the house (how would we utilize the space?), the trimming of the trees. Councilman Coyne likes the idea of trying to keep the house to start. It can always be taken down later if need be. It was discussed that there could be up to 100 parking spots that could fit in that space. It was also discussed that there needs to be some ideas about how delivery trucks will be able to access that space for the businesses in the downtown district. Safety, as always, is a huge factor. Councilman Drozdzziel asked if we have had any direction from the committee, to which Mayor Freeman responded that we are still in the discussion phase. No decisions have been made or will be made tonight. Trustee Batzel thought that he would like to see from the committee ideas with and without the building, and costs for both. He would also like to hear a clear direction from the committee as to their recommendation one way or another. Kathy Cole reiterated that up until now, there was no solid discussions since it was up in the air about what was going on with 97 Genesee Street. She is excited to move forward.
- *Route 5 & 20 Culvert Project*- This is an ongoing project which has been tabled for a bit, and it is unclear how to move forward. The water problem in that area is not going away and needs to be addressed. There are easements that need to be acquired. DOT needs to be aware. Supt. Barrett stated that he had an estimate for the detouring that would be required and that it was up around \$25,000. The Bridge NY Grant that was applied for last year was for funding of \$433K-this included everything that would have been done. Supt. Barrett said that if we want to apply again, we are in a good place to do so, however, it needs to be decided soon. Next steps should include the following: identifying Mr. Mulligan's needs, see where we can strengthen the grant application, decide if we will continue to move forward even if we are not awarded the grant. It was asked if a temporary pond could be created- maybe bring the school into the discussion? MRB will come back with an idea and cost.
- *Website*: It was discussed that the Village and Town websites can use some freshening up. We want to investigate the capability of being able to update certain things on our own, and making the site more user friendly, and updated.

Before leaving, the Town Board was presented with the following resolution for their approval from Court Clerk Jeanette Cullinan. This was done in order to make the grant application deadline:

RESOLUTION #179 JUSTICE COURT 2020 GRANT APPLICATION

On motion of Councilman Harrington, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Mairs the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

Whereas, the State of New York has enacted a law establishing the Justice Court Assistance Program that will enable communities to apply to the Chief Administrative Judge for a grant of State funds, to assist in the operation of the Justice Courts: and

Whereas, the availability of grant funding would enhance the ability of the Town Justice Court to provide suitable and sufficient services to the Avon Community; and

Now therefore it is resolved, that the Town Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Avon Town Court to apply for a JCAP grant in the 2019-20 grant cycle up to \$30,000.00.

Vote of the Board: Councilman Drozdzziel - Aye, Councilman Harrington – Aye, Councilman Coyne- Aye, Deputy Supervisor Mairs - Aye, Supervisor LeFeber –Aye

RESOLUTION #180 RESCIND RESOLUTION # 175 SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR LOCAL LAW T-6A-2019 AND RESET DATE

On motion of Deputy Supervisor Mairs, seconded by Councilman Harrington the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 5 NAYS 0

RESOLVE to rescind resolution #175 and reschedule the public hearing with the following legal notice:

**TOWN OF AVON
LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of the Code of the Town of Avon, and pursuant to the Town Law §130 that a public hearing shall be held by the Town Board of the Town of Avon, at the Opera Block/Town Hall, located at 23 Genesee Street, Avon, New York at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 24, 2019 for the purpose of considering public opinion and comment about or concerning a proposed local law relating to the following:

A local law for the Town of Avon to override the tax levy
limit established in General Municipal Law 3-C

A copy of the proposed local law is available for review by the public at the office of the Town Clerk during regular Town Clerk hours, or by visiting the Town Government page of the Town and Village web site at www.avon-ny.org

All interested persons are invited to appear and be heard at the aforesaid time and place.

Dated: October 7, 2019

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By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Avon

Sharon Knight, MMC/RMC Town Clerk

Vote of the Board: Councilman Drozdziel – Aye, Councilman Harrington – Aye, Councilman Coyne – Aye, Deputy Supervisor Mairs – Aye, Supervisor LeFeber – Aye

The Village and Town Board joint session was adjourned at 8:10pm. The Village Board continued with their regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted by

Heather Randall
Village Clerk

Sharon M. Knight, MMC/RMC
Town Clerk