

**February 11, 2020**

The Town of Wawayanda Local Development Corporation Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 4:00 P.M., on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, at the Town Hall, 80 Ridgebury Hill Road, Slate Hill, New York.

**Directors In Attendance:** David Cole, Rich Penaluna, John Razzano, Alfred Pierce, Ronald Myruski, and Joseph Alfonso

**Directors Absent:** Rosario LaSpina

**Consultants Present:** Howard Goldstein, Bookkeeper and Gary Schuster, Attorney of Jacobowitz and Gubits, Counselors at Law

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG****APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 01/21/2020:**

**MOTION** by **Alfred Pierce**, seconded by **John Razzano** to approve the minutes of 01/21/2020 as presented.

**ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED**

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

**MOTION** by **John Razzano**, seconded by **Al Pierce**, to authorize the payment of bills in the amount of \$2,950 from the General Disbursement Account. Breakdown as follows:

**\$100.00 Heather Shields – LDC Secretary**  
**\$100.00 Alfred Pierce – LDC Board Member**  
**\$100.00 Joe Alfonso -- LDC Board Member**  
**\$100.00 John Razzano – LDC Board Member**  
**\$2,000 Howard Goldstein - 2019 Accounting Fees**  
**\$550.00 Jacobowitz & Gubits – LDC Legal Services**

**ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED**

**MOTION** by **Dave Cole**, seconded by **Rich Penaluna**, to appoint Al Pierce as the new Wawayanda LDC Co-Chair.

**ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED**

**A brief discussion took place regarding the Conflict of Interest policy.** Gary Schuster explained to the new board members the difference between the Conflict of Interest Policy and the Conflict of Interest Annual Statement. Each year the board members must sign a conflict of interest statement to be kept on file with the LDC Secretary.

**NEW HAMPTON FIRE DISTRICT** - has presented an application requesting funds for EMERGENCY ROPE FIRE RESCUE EQUIPMENT. The fire district has outdated equipment that needs to be replaced. Each unit costs \$625, for a total of \$8,708.25. This is classified as Special District Tax Relief.

**MOTION** by **Al Pierce**, seconded by **Ron Myruski**, to accept the application from The New Hampton Fire District for the replacement of the emergency fire equipment, for the amount not to exceed a total of \$8,708.25.

**ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED**

**A brief discussion took place with Howard Goldstein regarding the (PARIS) report. Howard updated the board members with the current status of the (PARIS) report.** Gary Schuster gave the new board members a brief overview of (PARIS). The Public Authorities Reporting Information System (PARIS) is the online reporting system that allows public authorities to enter their information and submit their reports to both the Authorities Budget Office and the Office of the State Comptroller (OSC), as required by law.

**MOTION by John Razzano, seconded by Ron Myruski to allow RBT Accounting Firm to complete the 2019 Annual LDC Audit, the cost is not to exceed \$3,500.**

**ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED**

**A brief discussion took place regarding a fence request from the Wawayanda Highway Department.** The Wawayanda Highway Department requests to install a fence along the street for the Ryerson Road Park, approximately 1,375 feet of road frontage. Over the past weekend, vandals caused extensive damage to the Ryerson Road Park grounds with a 4-wheel drive vehicle. The state police were called to investigate. The installation of a berm and a gate were also suggested by the LDC board members. Dave Cole has obtained two fence estimates, he is waiting for a third estimate. This discussion was tabled for a future LDC meeting, pending all 3 fence estimates.

The board accepted the resignation of Nicholas Chase from the LDC Board, effective January 1, 2020. Nicholas Chase is the newly elected Town of Wawayanda Town Justice.

**MOTION by Dave Cole, seconded by Ron Myruski to accept the resignation.**

**ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED**

**MOTION by Dave Cole seconded by John Razzano to adjourn the meeting**

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 4:40 PM**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
Heather M. Shields, LDC Secretary**