

**TOWN OF LODI
SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING
MARCH 12, 2021**

1. Call to order & roll call: Meeting called to order via Zoom at 6:00 PM by Chairman Henry. Board Members present: Brian Henry, James Brooks, Marc Hamilton. Board members absent: Aaron Arnold, Karla Faust. Also present: Public Works Director Brian Ecklor, Town Engineer Ben Peotter (Ayres Associates)

Discussion, review and any possible action on the following:

2. Closed session per WSS 19.85(1)(f) “Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations” re: Baker Tilly

(a) Closed session: *Brooks/Hamilton motion to go into closed session per WSS 19.85(1)(f) relating to Baker Tilly; MC 4-0.*

(b) Motion to return to open session: *6:17 PM Brooks/Hamilton motion to return to open session*

(c) Any action on closed session matter: *Brooks/Hamilton to no longer proceed with Baker Tilly as our auditor; MC 3-0.*

3. Audit/Accounting firm: *Brooks/Hamilton that we move forward into investigating a new accounting firm; MC 3-0. Brooks/Hamilton motion that we proceed putting out a formal RFP for a new accounting firm; MC 3-0.*

4. Closed session per WSS 19.85(1)(f) “Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations” re: Ayres Associates

(a) Closed session: *Hamilton/Brooks motion to go into closed session per WSS 19.85(1)(f) relating to Ayres Associates; MC 3-0.*

(b) Motion to return to open session: *6:58 PM Hamilton/Brooks motion to return to open session*

(c) Any action on closed session matter: *No action taken.*

5. Closed Session per WSS 19.85(c) “Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility” re: Public Works Director

(a) Closed session: *Hamilton/Brooks motion to go into closed session per WSS 19.85(c) relating to Public Works Director Brian Ecklor; MC 3-0.*

(b) Motion to return to open session: *7:14 PM Henry/Hamilton motion to return to open session.*

(c) Any action on closed session matter: *Henry/Hamilton that the Public Works Director Brian Ecklor 90-day probation period will end March 17th and wage will increase per previous board motion/\$1.00/hour; MC 3-0.*

6. Disposal of light bulbs from Transfer Site: *Henry/Brooks motion that Public Works Director Brian Ecklor can continue negotiating with several companies on prices and can use more than one company if that gets the town the lowest prices; MC 3-0.*

7. Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan: Brooks – because the Town of Lodi does not have one of these plans we cannot apply for several WI DNR grants that are available, so we need to adopt a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. The WI DNR is willing to postpone the deadline date if the town has minutes that it is working on a plan. Hamilton – I talked to MSA, as has Brian E., who has a boiler-plate draft of a plan that we can start with. Brooks – I also have a draft from the WI DNR. Henry – I'd use the one from the WI DNR.

Brooks/Hamilton motion that the Town of Lodi create a Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan; MC 3-0.

8. Adjourn: *7:30 PM Henry/Hamilton motion to adjourn; MC 3-0.*

*April D. Goeske
Clerk-Treasurer*