

Supervisor Drozd opened Work Session:

1. Supervisor Drozd received complaints about the condition of the floor at the Bensley Center; a photo was shown to the members. Once the Board Room Audio project is completed, Supervisor Drozd will see what remains in the ARPA Funds to get quotes for this project.

2. Supervisor Drozd advised that for some reason when the Town signed up with Independent Health almost two years ago in August of 2022, John Cureo forgot to go over the new hire policy section with the Board. This just come to light when Drew Taylor was hired and hasn't received his insurance card yet. The pertinent section was overlooked in 2022 but requires a Board approval on the new hire policy. Choices are: (1) date of hire, (2) 90 days following date of hire, (3) first of the month following your hire date or (4) first of the month following a 30-day or 60-day period. Mr. Cureo recommended the first of the month following the hire date. Supervisor Drozd will ask the Board to add this to tonight's meeting Agenda.

3. The bill came through for the month of May for the KB Sewer Agreement with KB Corporation that was renegotiated downward. It was \$100; it was \$600. The Town is saving \$500. The first electric bill came for about \$38.

4. Community Park is going smoothly. The worst problem heard was the bathroom was out of paper towels one day but there are air dryers available.

5. Supervisor Drozd showed the Board a brochure that Gary Dickson, West Seneca Supervisor, distributed at a Supervisor's Meeting. A company is selling advertising and instead of the town doing a mailer on taxpayer money, West Seneca will be starting to use this approach every three months to notify residents of events. Supervisor Drozd talked to Mayor Michaels about this and maybe starting next year maybe do one in the Spring to let everyone know the band schedule, Little League schedules, the Town meetings, etc. They can get enough advertising to pay for the brochure. It could be put in the Pennysaver, set out around the community. Senior Center Director Hunt is working on the Senior Center's facebook page.

6. Erie County sent out an email on the south Trevett Road project. A meeting has been scheduled for June 26<sup>th</sup> and Supervisor Drozd will attend. Last year the County had some DEC issues but it is to go again this summer; a \$1.6 million dollar project.

7. Supervisor Drozd asked Town Atty Attea to review the Townsend Road weight limit sign with the Board. A resident has called and sent in a written request on this matter. Town Atty Attea advised that his biggest distinction was historically between the signage indicating axles or tonnage; it is now all based on weight limits. The question is whether or not the Town would be able to put up a sign indicating weight limits on roads, certain bridges or overpasses on what would be a County owned road. He is not aware of any restriction from the County or otherwise that would prevent the Town from putting up signage if the Town Board felt it appropriate based upon safety, engineering issues. Council Member Drake advised that our current Code says the Town cannot do this. Town Atty Attea advised that that is one of the reasons the Board would have to adopt a new local law. Council Member Zittel notified the Board that he had spoken with Gina Wilkolaski at Erie County Highway and asked why the County pulled the signs out and Ms. Wilkolaski advised that the signs were illegal; that the only way the signs could be there is if there was a designated truck route. She said that all roads are roads for commerce and the only way you can post a road is with a designated truck route. Ms. Wilkolaski also said that if any one road was closed for trucks, it would just deteriorate another road. Members had discussion about this matter. Town Atty Attea asked for, and was provided with, Ms. Wilkolaski's contact information. Supervisor Drozd noted that under Highway Law, the Town has the right to do this and no parking; Hwy Supt Edwards noted that the Town has the right, but the Town does not have it.

Town Atty Attea will research this matter and bring the information back to the Board. If it can be established clearly that the Town does not have a dog in this fight, it's a moot point. If it is determined that the Town does have the right, then it is open for debate amongst the Town Board members. Council Member Zittel stated that the Town can pass a resolution to do this but his feeling is that if it is illegal for the County, then why should it be legal for the Town. Supervisor Drozd responded that it is not illegal for the County; they don't have that right. It is a Town right, like no parking or speed limits; that is a Town decision like the Town posted years ago right in front of that residence by Community Park. Council Member Zittel noted that he will argue this all day long; Supervisor Drozd noted that it is in the Vehicle & Traffic Law.

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