

Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting held by the Town Board of the Town of LaFayette on May 14, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the LaFayette Commons Office Building on Route 11 in the Town of LaFayette.

Present: Gregory J. Scammell, Supervisor  
Norman F. Paul, Councilor  
Thomas V. Dadey, Jr., Councilor  
Sandra Smith, Councilor  
David Knapp, Councilor

Recording Secretary: Mary Jo Kelly, Town Clerk

Others Present: Leon Cook, Highway Superintendent  
Kevin Gilligan, Town Attorney  
Marshall Taylor, Assessor/Clerk  
Mary Doster, Assessor  
Tom Bailey, Resident  
Cindy Heckerman, Resident  
Jon Rogers, ACO  
Ralph Lamson, CEO  
Timothy E. Gorman, Univera  
Merle Wolf, HSA  
Mr. Lundy, Resident  
Robert Burton, Resident  
Mary Lou Murphy, Character Education

1. Supervisor Scammell called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. The Town Clerk took the Roll. All present.
3. Councilor Tom Dadey, Jr. led in the Pledge to the U.S. Flag.
4. Councilor's Smith moved and Paul seconded the motion to accept the April 23, 2001, Town Board Meeting Minutes as submitted by the Town Clerk. Voting was as follows:

Supervisor Scammell	Abstain	
Councilor Paul	Aye	
Councilor Dadey, Jr.		Aye
Councilor Smith	Aye	
Councilor Knapp	Aye	

Motion passed.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

Residents.

No residents came forward.

NYS Assemblywoman Joan K. Christensen: Capital Update.

Empire State Development: Environmental Investment Program Funding.

“Empire State Development’s Environmental Management Investment Group (EMIG) is accepting applications for funding in 2001 to help qualified businesses improve their environmental performance. Under the Environmental Investment Program, New York State invests in projects that lead to the reuse, remanufacturing or recycling of materials otherwise destined for disposal, and pollution prevention projects that lead to reductions in the volume or toxicity of waste before it is generated...”

Syracuse Convention & Visitor's Bureau: CNY Car Culture & National Tourism Week.

"Wednesday, May 9th...at the Empire Expo Center..."

Office of the County Legislature: May Session agenda.

"...Amending Local Law 4-2000 to further require persons under the age of 18 to wear a helmet while operating, riding, skating or gliding on a skateboard or scooter..."

Councilor Knapp noted there is nothing on the alarm system yet.

NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation: For Our Children.

"...New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation is organizing an historic preservation summit to examine opportunities for integrating historic resources into community renewal activities. The one-day summit, called For Our Children: Celebrating the Past – Shaping Our Future, will be held on May 17, 2001...in Albany..."

Flora Pond: Resignation from Assessment Grievance Board of Review.

"I hereby resign my position as Grievance Board as of April 10, 2001."

Supervisor Scammell noted Flora was the Chairman as well as a Member of the Board of Review.

Onondaga County Resource Recovery: 2000 Annual Report.

"...During 2000, the Agency accomplished a number of very positive milestones...A Five-Year Agreement was reached between Agency and all commercial waste Haulers, assuring the continuous delivery of municipal solid waste through the end of 2005...Tonnage at the Waste-To-Energy Plant Facility continue to grow...we processed 335,138 tons of trash just below the 336,000-ton permit level..."

Supervisor Scammell said there is a full report available if anyone would like to look at it.

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation: Wetlands & Mosquito Control.

"Please be advised that your application for a DEC permit(s) is complete and a technical review has commenced..."

Supervisor Scammell noted this is regarding mosquito control in all wetlands.

NYS Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver: Viewpoints 2001 (4).

"...Health Care for Children and Families, Job Creation Plan, Project SAVE Will Combat School Violence, Quality Education and Health Care, More Jobs, and Lower Taxes..."

Onondaga County Health Department: Dog Bites Public Health Priority.

"...identified the increasing number of dog bites as a public health priority...As the enclosed study documents, the number of dog bites has been rapidly escalating in Onondaga County. A summary of the findings includes: Numbers of reported dog bites have increased more than 65% during the past seven years. About two-thirds of this increase is due to a rise in reports of bites by Pit Bulls and Rottweilers...Children aged two to nine years have the highest rates of dog bites...Children are six times more likely to be bitten in the head, face and neck than are adults. One in five reported bites requires suturing...About half of the reported bites occur in Syracuse...One out of two reported dogs has prior history of biting. Less than half of these biting dogs were up to date with their vaccinations. In three out of

four cases the dog is unlicensed or lacks licensing information...We will map dog bite incidents using geographic information system technology...reporting and mapping activities will be most helpful in identifying repeat biters and owners of dogs who are involved in multiple incidents of dog bites..."

Supervisor Scammell will forward this on to Jon Rogers.

Onondaga County Health Department: Health Promotion & Disease Prevention, 2001 Rabies Clinic.

M. Route 20 Association: Fine Junk & Rare Antiques Giant Sale.

"...Fine Junk & Rare Antiques...Giant Sale...Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 1, 2, 3..Dawn to Dusk..Stop on your way to the Madison-Bouckville Antique Show..."

N. NYS Office of the State Comptroller: Retirement Teleconference.

"...A live, interactive, satellite teleconference...Keeping You Posted..."

Robert Krivanek: Resignation from Zoning Board of Appeals.

"I hereby tender my resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of LaFayette, effective May 15, 2001. After 20+ years in LaFayette, I have retired and we have purchased a home in Leesburg, Virginia. I have enjoyed working with all the members of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Other than the snow, we will miss the LaFayette community."

Association of Towns: 2001 1st Annual Town Finance & Management School.

"...May 17 & 18, 2001..Holiday Inn, Saratoga..."

CNY Works: Youth Internship Work Site Agreements.

"...If you have summer internship opportunities you believe would benefit emerging workers between the ages of 14 and 21, we ask that you complete the enclosed Agreement and fill out a separate Job Description Form for each job title you plan to submit..."

CNY Chapter, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society: Syracuse's 3rd Annual Light the Night Walk.

"The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Central new York Chapter invites you and your employees to join Joe and others from the community in the battle against blood-related cancers by forming a team to participate in Syracuse's 3rd annual Light the Night Walk. Join us in our nationwide evening walk to celebrate and commemorate lives touched by cancer scheduled for Thursday, September 20th, 2001 at Long Branch Park..."

Onondaga County Department of Personnel: 4/26/01 Teleconference on Personnel Management & Civil Service.

Supervisor Scammell advised there is a full report available if anyone would like to review it.

Univera Healthcare/Healthcare Services Association of CNY: LaFayette Health Center.

"...Tragically, however, the recent reorganization efforts by Crouse have resulted in the demise of this residency program. As a result, the SUNY physicians who provided services at the LaFayette Health Center will soon no longer be available to provide clinical care at the center. HSA, on the other hand, would very much like to continue to provide health care services to the LaFayette community. However, with the demise of the Family Practice residency program, funding for such services has also gone awry. This lack of funding for the continued provision of health care in the LaFayette area may force HSA to close its LaFayette Health Center and withdraw from providing care to the LaFayette community..."

Supervisor Scammell introduced Mr. Tim Gorman, Sr. Vice President and General Counsel for Univera and Mr. Merle Wolf Exec. Vice President of HSA.

Tim said they just wanted to let the Board know what is going on with the Health Center. If you go back a few years ago, Dr. LaDolce had a practice here. They acquired his practice and he then went to work at University Hospital for teaching. They put an 18,000 square foot medical center down the road. They have over 6,000 patients. 60% are from the immediate LaFayette area. They were very disappointed when Crouse decided they would no longer participate in the program. They had hoped to continue the program but those efforts have proven to be unsuccessful. They continue to look for other partners so they can continue offering the medical services for people in this community. The residency program will end in mid-July. The faculty from SUNY will be phasing out their teaching responsibilities and their practice responsibilities also during the summer. If they don't have a plan in place by the end of July, they'll have to make some hard decisions. One possibility would be to close down the facility and arrange for coverage for the patients at surrounding facilities. They would rather try to work with some other partners to see if they could develop a staff and provide health care services there. They have way too much space in that building. They at best need 9,000 square feet. If the town is aware of any other uses the town might have, they would talk to the folks about this. They may see if they are able to arrange with another partner for the provision of health care. They may be seeking state or federal funds to help subsidize that practice at least for the early years of the program. There are several programs they would be interested in looking at that they would be happy to meet with the Town Board and go into detail about. They have no plans to close the center right now but it could happen. If it does, it will be mid to late summer.

Merle said the key to it is the staff themselves. HSA has been very willing and will continue to plan to provide services to the residents but with the lack of physicians they are scrambling since Crouse served notice that they were pulling out. They are looking into doing some major recruiting which has not led them to any success. Now with the physicians and residents leaving, it really leaves them with a major problem as far as being able to continue medical care. They are presently searching for attention for those patients who need continuity of care and helping them get it at other facilities hopefully. They are not happy about this but continue to look for alternatives but wanted to make sure they let the Town Board know what they were doing. He would be happy to meet with the Town Board Members individually if they would like to discuss this.

Tim said they do have other facilities in different areas.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked about the relationship between Univera and Health Services of CNY.

Tim said they are sister companies. HSA is an ambulatory health facility and Univera is an insurance company, an HMO. They provide the insurance which provides the healthcare.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked him to explain the non-for-profit status. Someone makes money.

Tim said they don't. They are formed not to make money for their members, the directors or the people who formed the company. It is charitable, to do good cause for certain areas. They have a tax-exempt status from the federal government. They are really formed to just do good works. Their employees are paid salaries and they have no type of profit-sharing.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked the square footage.

Merle said between 18 and 20,000 square feet.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if they knew the value.

Tim said between 1 ½ and 2 million dollars.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. said they currently pay no property taxes to LaFayette, county taxes or taxes to the LaFayette School District.

Tim said that is correct.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked what they would be asking the Town Board to do.

Tim said they would be looking for: (1) the Town Board needs to know what's going on because people will be asking them, and (2) if they are able to put together some type of program, they might ask the Town Board to attend a meeting or facilitate a meeting with Assemblywoman Christensen or Senator DeFrancisco or perhaps Congressman Walsh to see if they could tap into some existing programs.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if he meant from the state and federal level.

Tim said maybe even at the county level. He doesn't think they would be asking for funds from the town.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked how many employees they have.

Merle said about 20-25 excluding the physicians.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked how many of them live in the Town of LaFayette.

Merle didn't know.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked when they said 60% of the patients are in the immediate LaFayette area, what would they consider the immediate LaFayette area?

Merle said Nedrow, Pompey, Fabius and south of LaFayette. Within about a 10 mile radius you will get about 60%. Between 3,000 and 3,500 patients are in this general area that look for medical care from the Health Center. 6,000 use it on a regular basis which means they have had an appointment within the last 18 months. Of that number, about 1,500 are insured by Univera.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked the cost to operate the facility on an annual basis.

Merle believes last year the operating budget was a little over 2 million dollars. The way the funding sources with the residency program were, it's a little difficult to be exact.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if they had an annual report or 990's the Town Board could see.

Merle said it would be for all of HSA, not just for LaFayette.

Supervisor Scammell asked if there were any health centers similar to LaFayette in this regard, facing similar problems.

Merle said no because this is the only one they have that has the residency program.

Councilor Paul asked if another residency program could come out here.

Tim said they would love to have this happen but it doesn't appear this will happen. They would be happy to speak to other similar non-for-profit organizations or private physicians.

Councilor Paul asked if a group of private physicians could purchase this from them.

Tim said yes.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if they could find a tenant for the other half of the building they don't use, would it solve their problem?

Tim said it would certainly help. If the other tenant wasn't non-for-profit, it would be half the building back on the tax roll.

Mary Jo said the building is currently assessed for approximately \$1,370,000.

Tim said some new information has come in over the last couple of days that is hopeful.

Councilor Paul asked if a final decision was made to close it down, how much time would be given to the patients?

Tim said they have to get permission to close the Health Center and there has to be a closer plan. It could range from 30-90 days.

Merle said the issue of August 1st is due to the residents leaving in the later part of July along with 2 physicians which makes the termination date August 1st. They do have physician coverage past that date. There is some additional coverage from their other existing facilities. He met with the staff last week to tell them what he is telling the Town Board tonight.

Councilor Knapp asked if there has been any communication to the patients.

Tim and Merle said not yet.

Merle said he has a letter on his desk which he hasn't sent out because they still have some level of optimism they can work something out. They have told their staff for inquiries to say the residency is closing. The staff and residency will be leaving in the summer. They are trying very hard to find alternative providers to come in and they are optimistic they can. If not, they will have to close the Center. At this time they have not decided to close.

Councilor Smith said this leaves a lot of anxiety in the community to decide if the patient is going to stick it out to see what happens or seek another physician.

Councilor Paul asked if any of their other facilities have experienced anything like this.

Merle and Tim said no.

Tim said this facility is exceptional. Here they have a whole program and the funding changing dramatically.

Councilor Knapp asked if the Central Square Center stands on its own two feet.

Merle said yes but it loses some money.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked for a ballpark figure of the whole corporation budget.

Merle said HSA said their annual operating budget is about \$80,000,000.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if HSA as a corporation is seeking some closer for the whole corporation or just thinking of closing this one practice.

Merle said this is unique because Crouse pulled out on them.

Councilor Knapp asked when we meet with the state or federal representatives, do they have some idea of exactly what we will be asking for?

Tim said yes. It would be a waste of time if they didn't have some idea.  
Councilor Knapp asked if at other centers they have set procedures up for us to follow.  
Merle said yes. He explained two other organizations that have sought funding.  
Councilor Smith asked if there was anything the Board could do now.  
Merle said not unless they have some really good ideas that they haven't thought of, he would be open to any suggestions of people they should talk to. He would ask for any of them to call him.  
Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if they had attempted to set up a meeting with Congressman Walsh.  
Tim said not yet. They don't have a plan to present to anyone yet.  
Merle said they are still looking into grants that are available.  
Councilor Dadey, Jr. said to let the Town Board know when a meeting is in place and he thinks the Board will all try to be there.  
Supervisor Scammell said they would all like to help.  
Councilor Dadey, Jr. believes they could meet in this building if they would like to.  
Councilor Knapp asked how many physicians they need to have up here full-time.  
Merle said two full-time physicians and two full-time nurse practitioners.  
Councilor Knapp has heard there are some physicians around town looking for rental space.  
Merle said any information like that, a lead they can follow-up on, they would be happy to know about.  
Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked if it would make sense to try to get an article in the paper about this.  
Tim doesn't think so.

Thank you card from Jamesville-DeWitt.

Other.

There were no other communications.

## 7. REPORTS:

Departmental (4th Monday).

Supervisor Scammell advised since there is only one meeting this month Departmental Reports may also be given.

Animal Control – Jon Rogers, ACO

No report submitted.

Code Enforcement – Ralph Lamson, CEO

A written report was submitted.

Highway – Leon Cook, Highway Superintendent

Leon said they have gone around three times on all the roads and they have one more time to go around for brush. Earth Day was the 28th. They had one full load of tires that were picked up and one full load of trash. Last year they had ½ load of tires and two loads of trash. They started their regular cleanup on the 5th. They really got an awful lot this year. They will probably be the rest of the week hauling the stuff out that was brought in. It looks like they will be having about 4,000 at \$54/ton to take it to the county.

Councilor Knapp asked about the scrap metal.

Leon said it's \$32. They will probably have enough scrap metal to pay half of the cost to the county. Next Meeting he will give a full report on this. He attended the meeting about writing letters and letters have been sent out to Pataki. Clifford attended a class to be the competent person on ditching and he got a diploma. Rod went on this so they have two guys for this now. Earth Day people worked hard picking up stuff. Monday morning about 6:00 he was coming down Route 11 and he saw a trash

truck with everything flying out of it along the road that people had just picked up. The driver stopped at a house and Leon got out to talk to him. The driver said it wasn't his fault and he couldn't help it. Leon thinks we should rewrite the contract that they have to have a cover so they won't loose trash along the roads.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked who the hauler was.

Leon said Waste Management. He noticed Syracuse Haulers had a canvas on their truck this morning. He thinks when we renew our contracts with them, this should be addressed. You have volunteers that risk their lives and go out and pick these papers up along the side of the road and you have a person like this who doesn't care.

Councilor Knapp asked if he spoke with OCRRA.

Leon said no.

Councilor Knapp said they have a group that follows up on this.

Leon said he was hoping for support from the Town Board on this.

Kevin said the DEC follows up on these things and tickets the drivers. He asked if Leon could remember the date.

Leon said the 30th on Route 11 north. Just a few minutes past 6:00 a.m.

Kevin thinks we can take a look at the contract to see what's in there but he knows it's a violation.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked him to send a letter on behalf of the Town Board.

Kevin will write a letter if the Board would like him to.

Ralph believes this falls under his jurisdiction.

Leon said the driver has no control because the homeowner is suppose to put everything in a plastic bag so when they dump the contents into the hopper and go down the road it won't blow out.

Kevin said once the stuff is in the truck, it's the driver's responsibility to be sure it doesn't litter the roads.

Councilor Knapp said the driver needs to dump the hopper more often.

Mary Doster said she got a letter in the mail from Capital saying that Waste Management has just bought out Capital.

Ralph will write a letter to the hauler.

Justice – Malcolm Knapp/Maureen Perrin, Town Justices

The Court heard 381 cases and collected \$26,281.

Library – Nancy Baker, Library Director.

No report received.

Recreation – Regina Reinschmidt, Rec. Coord.

No report received.

Town Clerk – Mary Jo Kelly, Town Clerk

Written report received along with Final License Sales Audit from DEC for 1999-2000. License sales completed and account is in balance.

Town Supervisor – Gregory Scammell, Supervisor

Written report submitted.

Councilor's Dadey, Jr. moved and Knapp seconded the motion to make the following transfers:

To: A1620.2	Buildings	Equipment	\$10,000.00
From: A599	Surplus	Tower Rental	\$10,000.00

Motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Scammell reminded everyone we will not be meeting the 4th Monday in May in observance of Memorial Day.

Committee (2nd Monday).

Communications and Technology

Town web site.

Mary Jo said some of the Minutes have been posted.

Town office phone system.

Supervisor Scammell thanked Marshall for all his work on this.

Marshall said it was a team effort. He needs someone to make a motion for Syracuse

Telecommunications to sell our old system. They think they might get about \$700 for it.

Councilor Knapp moved since the phone system is surplus and no longer needed for town purposes, he authorizes Syracuse Telecommunications to sell it for whatever they can get for it. Councilor Smith seconded the motion . Motion passed unanimously.

Marshall asked Councilor Knapp if he gave the security company the new phone number.

Councilor Knapp said no.

Marshall said it's hooked up so he can do this now.

Environmental and Conservation Advisory Board.

Hamlet Four Corners beautification.

Supervisor Scammell said they are working on the 4 corners. This group is going to do the 4 planters in Town and the Garden Club is taking care of the Community Center.

Employee Policies and Benefits.

Vacation Days update and retirement 65 to 55.

Mary Jo submitted a memo regarding the vacation days and retirement of 65 to 55 with 10 continuous years of service. The guys at the Highway Dept. noticed that after 10 years they would be losing 3 days of vacation according to the new schedule. They also noted the old policy had 55 years for retirement with 10 years continuous service to retire with benefits.

The Board asked Mary Jo to draft the changes in the policy and to make the changes effective for anyone hired after the adoption date for the 65 years and new vacation schedule. Mary Jo will submit the new draft at the next meeting.

Highway.

New EPA ditching requirements.

There was nothing new to report.

Drainage issues on Summer Ridge.

Leon is going to work on this over the summer. He said there's not all that much that can be done about the water running down the driveway.

No Littering sign request at Tully Farms and Bear Mountain Road.

Supervisor Scammell had a request from one of the residents to replace the No Littering



Sign. They said it was taken down when fishing season started.  
Leon said they put one up last year. He will take care of it.

OCCRA Liaison.

Intermunicipal Feasibility Study.

Nothing new to report.

Annual license renewal process and hauler problems with flyaway trash.

Discussed earlier in the Meeting.  
Councilor Knapp will check with other towns to see what they charge for permits.

Physical Plant.

Councilor Knapp said there will be vouchers before the Town Board tonight for water problems. The first one is for the filter tank that takes the chlorine back out of the water after it's done its job. A few days later, the big holding tank had a problem. It had to be replaced too.  
Councilor Smith asked if they put metal back in.  
Councilor Knapp said no, they used fiberglass.

Recreation and Youth.

Bailey Park: dumpster, recreational options, basketball hoop, additional sand and safety hazard (left over posts in former tennis court).

Councilor Knapp asked due to the little amount of trash that is generated down there, could we put a 55 gal. drum down there with a bag in it and when the guys mow they could change the bag and throw the old one out?

Leon said the drums and bags don't work very well with the dogs around.  
Councilor Knapp said the Town could buy a can with a lid on it and put it down there and chain it to a tree. He will talk to Leon about this later.  
Supervisor Scammell asked about the basketball hoop.  
Councilor Knapp said Kevin Gale fixed that a long time ago.  
Supervisor Scammell asked about the posts left over from the former tennis court.  
Councilor Smith and Leon will look into this.

Town ball-field insurance for Women's and Men's Softball Leagues.

Supervisor Scammell asked about the insurance.  
Councilor Knapp said the teams have the insurance certificates and everyone is covered. They did it right through Reagan Insurance.

LaFayette Beach Transfer.

Nothing new to report.

LaFayette Beach neighbors' concerns: noise, parking, access/hours.

Nothing new to report.

Lacrosse program facilities evaluation and re-siting.

Councilor Knapp believes they should set up a meeting for this.  
Supervisor Scammell said we need to decide if we need port-a-johns down there this year.

Councilor Knapp said we need to talk to Kevin about doing what he did last year on league nights. He shut the lights off every night at 10:00.

It was decided to try this to see if it works before we do anything else.

Councilor Knapp will ask Kevin if he thinks anything else is needed.

Marshall said the High School is going to hold their picnic at Stafford Park.

Mary Jo said they did last year too. Everything went fine.

Councilor Knapp said they got everything picked up down at Stafford Park and really got a lot of items on the safety list taken care of. The Fishing Derby was a great success.

Councilor's Knapp moved and Dadey, Jr. seconded the motion to have porta-johns installed at the Beach from June 1, 2001 through August 31, 2001. Motion passed unanimously.

Safety.

Leon said he and Regina did water tests. The one from the Community Center was dropped so they have to do that one again. The one at the Highway Dept. has to be done over again too. As soon as Regina can get together with him, they will do the retesting. There was a slight trace of bacteria in the water at the Highway Dept. which could be from him taking the sample wrong.

Councilor Smith said Tony Minieri was suppose to get the grate for the pool to Leon.

Leon said he hasn't yet.

Councilor Smith will get in touch with him.

Leon said the grate at the pool is a very unsafe situation. If it doesn't get done, he would like approval from the Board to have a frame built and get it done. If you don't get it done before the pool is open, you will be going through the same thing we have been going through.

Councilor Knapp asked where this goes.

Leon said between the building and the new pavement. Right now it has a piece of screen over it.

Supervisor Scammell asked if he had any idea about the cost.

Leon said about \$400 - \$450.

Councilor's Knapp moved and Smith seconded the motion to authorize Leon Cook to contact a welder to make the grate and not to exceed \$500. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Smith will talk to Tony and be sure he doesn't already have it made.

9) Senior Transportation and Housing.

Housing Survey. SU Links Program complete.

Supervisor Scammell said the S.U. student, Ben, said the majority of the people he interviewed thought they were able to stay in LaFayette if they wanted to.

Mary said last summer Dave Muraco said he might build a senior citizen building at Willow Wood in the future.

Transportation Survey: MCOA.

Nothing new to report.

Service Awards.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. asked Kevin if it doesn't spell out who is on the Service Award Committee.

Kevin said yes. Four people are on the Committee.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. said 4 people have been appointed to this Committee from the L.F.D.

Kevin said right now the only 2 designated members of the L.F.D. are John Harper and Larry Paige. This will not change unless there is notification of two different members. He advised we can change the administrator in 2002. You can discuss this when the Committee meets again.

Water

OCWA Construction Contracts.

Councilor's Dadey, Jr. moved and Knapp seconded the motion to approve the sample letter to be sent out on LaFayette letterhead and signed by Supervisor Scammell in support of OCWA. Motion passed unanimously.

Mary Jo will type the letter.

Zoning

Digitized zoning map.

Supervisor Scammell said our current zoning map does not go down to the parcel level. In order to make this right for the future, it would be necessary for us to adopt a new digitized map down to the parcel. The map would be the same as it is now but you would be able to know exactly what parcels were in or out of a district.

Public Horse Stables, schedule public hearing.

Supervisor Scammell submitted a proposal for what a new public horse stable definition would look like.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. introduced a proposed amendment to the 1970 Zoning Ordinance, related to the location of Public Stables within the Town of LaFayette, and made the following motion, which was seconded by Councilman Knapp.

WHEREAS, no other agency has the legal authority or jurisdiction to approve or directly undertake the adoption of an Ordinance in the Town of LaFayette, such that there are no other involved agencies within the meaning of the new York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) with respect to the proposed adoption of said Ordinance, with the result that the Town Board shall act as lead agency in this matter, and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, the adoption of said Ordinance is a Type I action for purposes of environmental review under SEQR; and it is further

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, in the event said Ordinance is adopted, a full environmental review will be undertaken specific to the facts and circumstances of each application such that the requirements of SEQR will be observed as part of the application process; and it is

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED the Town Board has determined that a short environmental assessment form (EAF) shall be required in connection with this matter; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board conduct a public hearing as to the adoption of proposed Ordinance at the Town Hall located at 2577 Route 11 on June 11, 2001 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at which time all persons interested in the subject shall be heard.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Gregory Scammell	Supervisor	Voted	Yes
Norman F. Paul	Councilman	Voted	Yes
Thomas V. Dadey, Jr.	Councilman	Voted	Yes
Sandra Smith	Councilman	Voted	Yes
David Knapp	Councilman	Voted	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Industrial Zones

Nothing new to report at this time.

Communications/Cell Towers.

These will be looked into.

Comprehensive Plan

Supervisor Scammell said the Comprehensive Plan considers the zoning map, the 1970 Zoning Ordinance, the 1988 Land Use Plan from Onondaga County Planning and all the decisions that have been made to date regarding zoning and planning. Once we are through with these items, he will discuss whether we need to get the Comprehensive Plan updated.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND ACTIVE PROJECTS

A. Litigation and other legal matters.

Hamlet SE Corner Properties – Grey Building and Coral House/Route 20E, red Brick/Route 11S. Bankruptcy sale 5/8.

Kevin said the auction took place.

Councilor Dadey, Jr. said Ron Bush bought the coral house for \$16,000 and Dave Muraco bought the gray and brick buildings for \$5,000.

Councilor Knapp said plus the \$21,000 which will be placed on the January tax bill for counsel and engineering fees. He said there is some concern. Ron Bush noticed the locks were changed on his house. He called the county and they said it must be Bay City Funding who changed them. When he called them, they didn't authorize any changing of the locks. They are just trying to figure out what's going on.

Kevin said once they have the title, it will be all set. He noticed the plywood has been torn off the building closest to Doupe's.

Councilor Knapp asked if the house, the gray building and the brick building were tied together.

Ralph didn't know. If the house is tied into the other buildings at all.

Councilor Knapp asked about the septic.

Ralph doesn't think they are tied together.

Leon advised Ron Bush said the house had its own septic tank and well.

2) Apple Ridge assessment.

Marshall said they filed again for this year.

3) Summer Ridge Subdivision Phase II.

Lynn has sent in the additional developer fee requested to cover expenses.

Kevin said they did get a request from the Homeowners Association requesting the Town consider a lower limit of liability. 3 million is the standard limit. The Town Board agreed with this amount.

4) Meeker Hill Estates: Certificate of Abandonment.

This has been completed and can be removed from the agenda.

5) Festival Gardens Apartments, E. Carlyle Smith: PILOT agreement.

Supervisor Scammell said this will go on with Mr. Smith paying what is due at a different time from when it is due.

6) Onondaga Nation Land Claim.

This is still pending.

B. Other Active Projects.

LaFayette Community Council: Not-for-Profit 1st annual filing.

Nothing new to report.

Annual IRS Requirements for LCC, LFD, & LPL.

On hold.

LCS/YCIP composting toilets proposal at LaFayette Nature Center.

Councilor Smith said she advised Tom Turner they are waiting to get the information from Mr. Coleman. Tom will contact Mr. Coleman to see about the information.

Councilor Knapp asked about the picnic tables at the high school.

Mr. Lundy said YCIP is selling them.

Councilor Knapp said the softball league down behind the Highway Garage would like a couple of new tables there.

Councilor Smith will get him the number of the person to get in touch with about this.

Town Offices security system at LaFayette Commons.

Mis/false keys.

Mary Jo said the gentleman came and will be coming back to replace the pad. He said the "Comm. Error" will be erased from the ADT monitoring end. To date, it is still there.

Final payment.

This is being held.

LaFayette Nature Preserve – Challenge Ropes Course.

Councilor Smith said Family Day was on the 6th. Even though they had to change the date, there was a steady stream of people coming through. There were about 30 people.

This item can be removed from the agenda.

6) Town Office copier: Service Contract update.

Mary Jo said this was regarding the copier that was moved to the Justice Dept. It has been taken care of.

This item can be removed from the agenda.

7) Character Education.

Funding for pole brackets.

Mary Lou is looking for funding for 4 brackets. The school is funding 2 of them. She is hoping some of the organizations in town will want to pay for the banners.

Councilor's Dadey, Jr. moved and Knapp seconded the motion to purchase 4 brackets at \$70 each and pay another \$40 towards another one for a total of \$320.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilor Knapp said when the Optimist Club put up the flags, they offered to put the brackets up too.

Other.

There was nothing else.

8) Animal Control Deputy appointment.

The Town Board noted they received an application from Blanche Rainbow for this position.

Councilor's Knapp moved and Smith seconded a motion for the Board to go into Executive Session to discuss matters leading to an appointment(s) and three potential litigation matters. Motion passed unanimously.

The Town Board went into Executive Session at 8:27 p.m. and was called back to order by Supervisor Scammell at 9:05 p.m.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Other.

The person who would be responsible for opening and closing the bathrooms at Stafford Park was discussed. Something should be put in writing regarding the Board's expectations. Duties of this person were discussed. It was decided the bathroom should be opened no later than 9 am and closed no sooner than 9 pm. If there are authorized people still using the Park, the bathrooms may be left open over night. The Board decided to contact Mr. Ross to see if he would do this job once again for the town and start as soon as possible and continue until the Park is no longer being used. Mary Jo will write him a letter.

10. Suggestions for improvement & positive contributions.

There were none.

11. Councilor's Dadey, Jr. moved and Knapp seconded the motion to audit and pay the following bills:

GENERAL FUND	# 4619 THRU 4650
HIGHWAY FUND	#4603 THRU 4618
SPECIAL DISTRICT	# 4669
TRUST & AGENCY	# 4670

Motion passed unanimously.

12. Councilor's Dadey, Jr. moved and Knapp seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

The Town Board Meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Kelly  
Town Clerk

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