

MINUTES
TOWN BOARD
June 10, 2020

The Town of Manlius Town Board live streaming from their homes, with Supervisor Edmond Theobald presiding and the following Board members present:

Karen Green, Councilor
Sara Bollinger, Councilor
Elaine Denton, Councilor
John Deer, Councilor
Heather Waters, Councilor
Katelyn M. Kriesel, Councilor

The following Town Officers were present:

Tim Frateschi, Attorney for the Town	Allison A. Weber, Town Clerk
Mike Crowell, Police Chief	Rob Cushing, Highway Superintendent
Doug Miller, Town Engineer	Ann Oot, Town Manager
Randy Capriotti, Director of Codes	

1. Introduction to Join the Virtual Town Board Meeting

Introduction of Zoom Meeting Presenters: Chris Beck, Vita DeMarchi, Jim Brang, Terry Brown, Ted Bienkowski, Allen Thomas, Steve Cotrone, Matt Napierala, Christian Hill, Bill Magnarelli, David Bottar, Christina Burtis, Donna DeSiato, Joseph Shields, Katherine Skahen, Scott Dumas, Scott Freeman, Chris Danaher.

Attendees on Facebook and Zoom: Harvey, Ellen, TK Kelly, Barb Wilson, Valerie Beecher, Mike Nesci, Garret Malone, Sara Hopkinson Kohlbrenner, Nan Clark, Mark Lavine, Gale Smith, Valerie Ferguson Beecher, Andria Costello Staniec, Rae McClean

2. The Pledge of Allegiance

The Town Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Theobald, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Moment of Silence

Supervisor Theobald held a moment of silence for George Floyd who died a tragic death on May 25th in Minneapolis and stated that many communities across the nation have come together to mourn his death. Supervisor Theobald asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence for George Floyd.

3. Approval of Minutes – May 13, 2020

Councilor Green made a motion, seconded by Councilor Bollinger, to approve the minutes of May 13, 2020 as submitted by Town Clerk Weber.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

4. Approval of Abstract # 11

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Denton, to approve Abstract # 11 as submitted by Town Clerk Weber.

TOWN OF MANLIUS		
Fund Summary		
Abstract # 11 - 2020		
<u>CODE</u>	<u>FUND</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
A	General Fund Townwide	\$ 216,997.75
B	General Fund Town	\$ 6,611.52
CM1	Police Trust	\$ 1,576.27
DA	Highway Fund Townwide	\$ 26,940.36
DB	Highway Fund Town	\$ 10,732.02
SL1	Overhead Lighting	\$ 1,460.66
SL2	Underground Lighting	\$ 2,078.57
SL3	Entry Lighting	\$ 94.02
SL4	Garden Park Lighting	\$ 604.05
SL5	Ratnaur Bridge Lighting	\$ 2,377.51
SR1	Manlius Trash District	\$ 168.44
SR2	Manlius Res Brush District	\$ 168.44
SS1	Manlius Con Sewer District	\$ 1,858.19
TA2	Trust & Agency - Other	\$ 420.00

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Supervisor Theobald gave an update on Covid-19 Pandemic for the Town of Manlius stating the number of cases has been decreasing.

5. Public Hearing – Zone Change for Central New York Inland Port – from RA (Restricted Agricultural) to ID (Industrial) (tax map #'s 054.-01-28.1, 054.-01-06.1, 054.-01-4.1 and 054.-01-02.1).

Supervisor Theobald stated the Planning Board has recommended further study of the project at this time.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to waive the reading of the public notice in the matter of the Zone Change for Central New York Inland Port – from RA (Restricted Agricultural) to ID (Industrial) (tax map #'s 054.-01-28.1, 054.-01-06.1, 054.-01-4.1 and 054.-01-02.1).

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to open the public hearing at 6:43 PM in the matter of the proposed Zone Change for Central New York Inland Port – from RA (Restricted Agricultural) to ID (Industrial) (tax map #'s 054.-01-28.1, 054.-01-06.1, 054.-01-4.1 and 054.-01-02.1).

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Chris Beck stated that CXS is a terminal and the Central New York Inland Port will be set up to provide management of incoming and outgoing cargo for DeWitt Rail Yard.

Matt Napierala stated the truck traffic for the containers going to and from the Amazon Warehouse will exceed the number in the traffic study done by the New York State Department of Transportation.

Allen Thomas stated the Inland Port's purpose is to mitigate the truck traffic impact for the Central New York Area. Traffic mitigation will take place by implementing the following:

- Staging the containers at the Port.
- Providing control and scheduling truck arrivals and departures.
- Software with Integrated Containers Management.
- Truck traffic can be controlled to occur during off peak hours.

Mr. Beck showed with the use of maps the location of the Inland Port near the rail yard off Fremont Rd.

Mr. Beck is asking the Town Board to pass an ordinance stating all international cargo must go in and out through the proposed Inland Port. Mr. Beck stated that without regulation in the Town of Manlius requiring all that truck traffic is routed through the proposed Inland Port there will be chaos.

Assemblyman Bill Magnarelli stated the Inland Port will help reduce the carbon in the air by taking trucks off the road. Assemblyman Magnarelli stated that the Inland Port would enhance the existing CSX railyard and he would like to see the Town of Manlius and Onondaga County move forward with the project.

Councilor Deer asked Assemblyman Magnarelli what steps the town should take towards obtaining State and Federal money? Assemblyman Magnarelli discussed how to improve the chances of obtaining funding.

East Syracuse Minoa School Superintendent Donna DeSiato stated from the schools perspective it is very important to have a strong economy and this is a project they have waited for. Superintendent DeSiato would like to be kept informed as to each step of the project moves forward.

Katherine Skahen, ESM, thanked the board for considering the impact this project will have on ESM student transportation. Ms. Skahen stated she looks forward to working together to ensure that the truck traffic is coordinated with student transportation.

Joseph Shields ESM stated that the school supports the project and is encouraged by the project. The school district focus has two components:

- Increased revenue from property taxes from new developments in the district which will aid student programs.
- Looking at phase 1 and phase 2 and how that will impact the schools in the immediate area of Fremont Rd.

Councilor Deer asked if someone on the 3Gi team could review the timeline for the project.

Chris Beck stated the first phase can be done immediately upon obtaining a permit. The second phase will be controlling the truck traffic on Kirkville Rd. and Fremont Rd. which will be achieved by understanding peak traffic times with the help of the local community.

Councilor Deer thanked Christina Burtis from Congressman Katko's office for attending the meeting.

Councilor Deer stated that Facebook attendee's Nan Clark, Mark Lavine and Mike Nesci have some concerns about traffic in the area around the three schools. Councilor Deer spoke about looking at what financial benefits could come to the Town with the 3Gi project. Councilor Deer stated the board needs to take a close look at how the traffic will be impacted.

- Traffic is coming to the rail yard now and will increase, the Inland Port is a way to manage the truck traffic.
- Having the containers come to the area by train will reduce carbon from the trucks bringing them by road.

Harvey, Zoom attendee, is concerned about the construction disrupting his business. Chris Beck stated there will not be buildings in the first phase and second phase would increase the acreage for more use and building.

Anonymous, Zoom attendee, asked would there be green power available for the refrigerated containers. Chris Beck stated he is strong believer in green power.

There were several questions regarding future truck traffic, noise, and the times of day the traffic will happen. Allen Thomas explained the process by which they will manage the truck traffic with the use of software programs and working with CSX, Amazon, and the community.

Additional questions were asked regarding the hiring practices of 3Gi specifically relating to the hiring of unrepresented individuals. Chris Beck stated they always look to work with local contractors on projects. Conversation ensued regarding whether or not any property would be taken using eminent domain. Chris Beck stated that eminent domain would be handled by the federal government.

Councilor Deer stated that the public hearing on the 3Gi will continue to the July 8th meeting so anyone with question will have time to provide them to the board. Councilor Deer stated that documents on this project are on the town website and Facebook page for interested parties to research and you can contact the town.

Supervisor Theobald stated that the submitted application is requesting a Zone Change from RA (Restricted Agricultural) to ID (Industrial). Supervisor Theobald stated the town has reduced the acreage requested so there would be less impact on the neighbors on Kirkville Road. Supervisor Theobald stated the access road from Fremont Road will be a temporary road until they are able to safely get trucks from Kirkville Rd. to the property.

Councilor Denton asked about the added cost to go through the port. Chris Beck stated there is a base price and a statistical way to adjust for fuel.

Councilor Denton asked about wetland and flooding issues along Kirkville Rd. Chris Beck stated they have other lands that could be turned into wetlands in future phases. Matt Napierala explained that both floodplain and stormwater are strongly regulated and the graphics do show a place holder for a stormwater mitigation basin, that will help contain flood concerns in the area.

Councilor Bollinger stated the town will continue to get information out about the 3Gi project to the residents for their feedback.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to adjourn the public hearing at 7:40 PM in the matter of the proposed Zone Change for Central New York Inland Port – from RA (Restricted Agricultural) to ID (Industrial) (tax map #'s 054.-01-28.1, 054.-01-06.1, 054.-01-4.1 and 054.-01-02 1 until July 8, 2020.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

6. Public Hearing – Zone Change – Brolex Properties, LLC 7430 Highbridge Rd., Manlius NY, Zone Change from R1 (Residential District 1) to R3 (Residential District 3)

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to waive the reading of the public notice in the matter of the Zone Change for Brolex Properties, LLC 7430 Highbridge Rd., Manlius NY, Zone Change from R1 (Residential District 1) to R3 (Residential District 3)

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to open the public hearing at 7:42 PM in the matter of the proposed Zone Change for Brolex Properties, LLC 7430 Highbridge Rd., Manlius NY, Zone Change from R1 (Residential District 1) to R3 (Residential District 3)

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Brandon Jacobson, Brolex properties explained that all the communities surrounding Freeman Hollow are zoned R3 and R3 is what is being requested for this property, as shown in the supporting documentation.

Attorney Frateschi stated the report from OCPB (Onondaga County Planning Board) did not have any specific recommendations or modifications and they found the project would have no County wide impact. Attorney Frateschi did state that the OCPB based their report on the original request of RA (Restricted Agricultural Districts) to R5 (Residential District 5), which the applicant has changed to RA to R3, which is a less intense zone.

A discussion ensued on what type of zoning would best fit this project.

Mr. Jacobson stated:

- The proposed homes will be single-family homes which R3 allows for.
- R3 allows more density and the ability to keep more green space.
- This type of single-family home allows for a more maintenance free living with small yards.
- R3 would allow for more homes to be built in a smaller space without having to go into the wetlands.

Councilor Bollinger stated that most of the comments from residents have been about traffic. Mr. Jacobson stated they have tried to be proactive about issues and have submitted paperwork to the Town Board and Planning Board.

Councilor Denton asked how close the houses will be to where the property drops off. Mr. Jacobson stated it would be about 20' from the topographical change.

Ellen Zoom attendee, asked if this project would require taking down trees? Mr. Jacobson stated they may take down about 5 or 6 trees and new trees will be planted in the development. Mr. Jacobson stated that most of the foliage is down the banks and will be maintained to keep the character of the property. Mr. Jacobson stated they are planning to have walking trails and hopes they will be able to connect to the trails in the Huntwood development next door.

TK Kelly, Facebook Attendee asked if a traffic light would be put in at the corner of Woodchuck Hill Rd. and Highbridge Rd. with the increased traffic? Mr. Jacobson answered that the traffic study did not suggest a light there and with only 25 homeowners it is not believed traffic will be impacted.

Barb Wilson, Facebook Attendee stated:

- These should all be single story if the “low maintenance” types means senior citizens
- Can’t they (the Developer) find some dry land to build on.
- Senior options are seriously needed here, especially single units. If the “low Maintenance” types are rich 45-year old’s, stop this project now. If we need developers, we need low income housing.

Mr. Jacobson stated that most of the living space will be on the first floor with only a bedroom and bath on the second floor. Mr. Jacobson stated that this project is not a senior housing project and is intended for anyone.

Valerie Beecher Facebook Attendee stated that Mr. Jacobson was showing Plan L1, I thought, but L2 will be the actual plan? So, just 2 houses together rather than 3 or 4? Where will the walking trails be and how would they access them with the severe drop-off? Mr. Jacobson stated they are thinking a sloping stairway and stone dust trails, and they will work with the HOA to develop the trail system.

Councilor Kriesel stated some HOA’s never come to fruition as has happened before in the community and she would like these issues decided now. Mr. Jacobson answered that there are two different kinds of HOA’s such as a minimalist HOA and full service HOA. Mr. Jacobson stated the Freeman development is a full service HOA with amenities such as snow removal, stone dust trails and these types of items have to be established up front when the project is submitted.

Ellen, Zoom Attendee, asked how big are the trees that will be removed are (trunk diameter and height)?. Mr. Jacobson stated he did not have that information at hand and will have to get back with that answer.

Mike Nesci, Facebook Attendee, stated Not a big community? The housing area you’re developing or the Town? The town is the size of a second-class city!

Barb Wilson, Facebook Attendee, asked what’s the hoped for/projected sale price on these units including maintenance fees? Mr. Jacobson HOA costs should be between \$180 and \$250 per month and price per unit in the mid \$300,000 range and up.

Councilor Bollinger asked that Mr. Jacobson send the address of some of the projects that Brolex has completed for the Board so that the Board may see some current construction examples.

Councilor Green asked what the square footage will be on the homes. Mr. Jacobson answered around 1800 to 3000 square feet depending on the home.

Councilor Green made a motion, seconded by Councilor Denton, to adjourn the public hearing in the matter of the proposed Zone Change for Brolex Properties, LLC 7430 Highbridge Rd., Manlius NY, Zone Change from R1 (Residential District 1) to R3 (Residential District 3) until June 24, 2020.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

7. Continuation of Public Hearing – Zone Change 5538 N Burdick LLC, (tax map # 086.-02-07.1) from RA (Restricted Agriculture) to RM (Residential Multiple Use).

Supervisor Theobald checked with Town Clerk Weber to see if any new comments have been submitted for this application. Town Clerk Weber stated she has not received any new comments from the public.

Chris Danaher stated he hopes they have answered all the board questions and concerns and he feels the plan preserves the canal corridor by presenting a green space area. Mr. Danaher stated that the RM zone

they have requested will provide a transition from the residential Eagle Village to commercial Towne Center.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green, to close the public hearing at 8:11 PM in the matter of the proposed Zone Change for Zone Change 5538 N Burdick LLC, (tax map # 086.-02-07.1) from RA (Restricted Agriculture) to RM (Residential Multiple Use).

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

PART II – Short Environmental Assessment Form

Attorney Frateschi reviewed Part II of the short environmental assessment form with the Town Board. The Town Board determined that each of the environmental factors would have no more than a small to moderate impact. After further discussion, the Board agreed that there would be no significant environmental impact by approving the Zone Change based on the reasons set forth in the Resolution drafted by the Attorney for the Town.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green to declare the Town of Manlius lead agency for SEQR purposes in the matter of the Zone Change 5538 N Burdick LLC, (tax map # 086.-02-07.1) from RA (Restricted Agriculture) to RM (Residential Multiple Use).

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green issue a negative declaration for SEQR purposes in the matter of the Zone Change 5538 N Burdick LLC, (tax map # 086.-02-07.1) from RA (Restricted Agriculture) to RM (Residential Multiple Use).

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0 All in Favor. Motion Carries.

Councilor Bollinger made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green approve the Zone Change for 5538 N Burdick LLC, (tax map # 086.-02-07.1) from RA (Restricted Agriculture) to RM (Residential Multiple Use) as stated in the resolution prepared by the Attorney.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters

Opposed: Councilor Denton, Councilor Kriesel

Motion Carries. 5 – 2

8. Set Date Public Hearing – Local Law Delegating Special Permits to Planning Board

Councilor Bollinger made a motion seconded by Councilor Green to set the date for a public hearing in the matter of a proposed local law Delegating Special Permit to Planning Board for June 24th at 6:35 PM in a virtual meeting. To provide comment, you may do so by following the instructions that will be provided on the town website at www.townofmanlius.org or on the Town of Manlius Facebook page.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

9. Speed Reduction Request of 55mph to 35mph on E. Seneca Turnpike, ½ mile from Sweet Rd. towards the Village of Manlius to match the existing 35mph

Councilor Green made a motion, seconded by Councilor Waters to authorize the Town Clerk to submit a TE-9 request to the Onondaga County Department of Transportation to review the speed limit on a portion of East Seneca Turnpike.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

10. Set Date Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law for “No Parking Signs” on Hale Rd., Manlius NY

Councilor Waters made a motion seconded by Councilor Green to set the date for a public hearing in the matter of a proposed local law Further Amending Chapter 139 Entitled “Vehicles & Traffic” of the Code of the Town of Manlius to install “No Parking” signs on Hale Rd. for June 24, 2020 at 6:40 PM in a virtual meeting. To provide comment, you may do so by following the instructions that will be provided on the town website at www.townofmanlius.org or on the Town of Manlius Facebook page.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

11. Tree Commission Co-Chair Appointment

Town Clerk Weber stated that Tree Commission Co-Chair MaryEllen Letterman has resigned her position after many years involvement. Town Clerk Weber stated that after conversations with Supervisor Theobald, Attorney Frateschi and Tree Commission co-chair Stephanie Guerreschi it was decided that Councilor Waters would be appointed to the Co-Chair position with the Tree Commission.

Councilor Waters stated that Tree Commission upholds the Town Boards vision to comprehensive planning and continuing as a Tree City. Councilor Waters stated that having a Councilor appointed ensures that the commission has consistent leadership and elected leadership in place that can facilitate the budget process and the over all relationship with Town Hall.

Councilor Deer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Green to approve the appointment of Councilor Waters as Co-Chair of the Manlius Tree Commission for a term of 1 year to expire on 12/31/20.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Kriesel

Abstain: Councilor Waters

Motion Carries: 6 to 1

12. Correspondence/New Business

13. Highway Superintendent

Highway Superintendent Cushing stated he received confirmation from the NYSDOT on Chips funding. Superintendent Cushing stated as of right now the town has received its normal funding from the Chips Superintendent Cushing stated that the town can expect up to a 20% decrease in funding.

14. Planning & Development

Code Director Capriotti stated building permits are up as expected for the season.

15. Attorney – No New Business

16. Town Clerk

Town Clerk Weber presented the special permit renewal application from Lyndon Golf Course, Highbridge Rd., Fayetteville NY (tax map # 092.-1-11.0) Town Clerk Weber stated that the application has been reviewed by the Director of Planning and Development, no issues were found, and he recommends approval.

Councilor Green made a motion, seconded by Councilor Bollinger, to approve the renewal of the special permit issued to Lyndon Golf Course, Highbridge Rd., Fayetteville NY (tax map # 092.-1-11.0) for a seven year period as outlined in the resolution prepared by the Attorney for the Town.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Deer, Councilor Denton, Councilor Green, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Waters

Nays: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

17. Police Chief

Chief Crowell stated that many of the police officers are hurting really bad right now and they are doing what they can to provide EAP services.

18. Town Manager

Town Manager Oot stated that in the second quarter of 2020 the Police Department received a grant for load bearing vests from the PERMA (Town of Manlius workers compensation carrier). The total cost of the project is \$5,600.00 and the grant will pay 27% of the total cost which equals \$1,550.00. Town Manager Oot is requesting a reallocation of \$4,050.00 from the police budget line 5.3120.100 (Personal) to police budget line 5.3120.400 (contractual) in order to match the grant and complete the purchase of twenty load bearing vests.

Councilor Green made a motion, seconded by Councilor Denton, to approve the budget transfer of \$4,050.00 from the police budget line 5.3120.100 (Personal) to police budget line 5.3120.400 (contractual) in order to match the grant and complete the purchase of twenty load bearing vests.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Deer, Councilor Denton, Councilor Green, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Waters

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Town Manager Oot stated she is requesting authorization for Supervisor Theobald and Deputy Supervisor Green to sign bank signature cards for a new bank Currency Property Account with Trust & Agency for the purpose of holding assets obtained through a seizure.

Councilor Deer made a motion, seconded by Councilor Waters, to authorize Supervisor Theobald and Deputy Supervisor Green to sign bank signature cards for a Currency Property Account with Trust & Agency.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Deer, Councilor Denton, Councilor Green, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Waters

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

19. Town Board

Councilor Bollinger stated Sunday June 14, 2020 at 2:00 PM there will be a rally in Beard Park, Fayetteville for facing racism.

Councilor Deer stated he wished to recognize Leila Abdul-Malak who organized the protest at the Swan Pond in Manlius, and Chief Crowell for his help and support with the event.

Councilor Kriesel thanked Mayor Whorral for hosting the event on Sunday and his participation. Councilor Kriesel thanked Chief Crowell for being there and listening to the conversation as well as the community. Councilor Kriesel stated that this was an important conversation to have especially for people of color which her two daughters are. Councilor Kriesel thanked all that came and participated in the event. Councilor Kriesel stated she is presenting a resolution that she is asking the Town Board to support. Councilor Kriesel read the resolution aloud which included:

MANLIUS TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE MURDER OF GEORGE FLOYD IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, we, along with the entire country, were horrified to watch Minneapolis resident George Floyd, arrested and subdued, suffocated to death under the knee of a Minneapolis police officer while he cried out for help; and

WHEREAS, we are equally horrified by the knowledge that this was not an isolated incident in our country, and that Mr. Floyd joins a painfully long list of people of color who have been killed by police violence across our nation; and

WHEREAS, residents of the Town of Manlius and Central New York have been devastated by this unnecessary loss of life, and, in their pain and grief, have come together to engage in

peaceful protests and to exercise their First Amendment rights to speak out against racism and violence everywhere; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the incidents described above do not represent the values of the Manlius Police Department, its officers or leadership, but, sadly, tarnish the image of law enforcement officers everywhere; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that most police officers, including all of those in the Manlius Police Department, reject acts of violence, police brutality and the excessive use of force as a violation of the laws and constitutional rights which they have sworn to uphold; and

WHEREAS, The Central New York Association of Chiefs of Police, an organization comprised of law enforcement executives and professionals from 11 counties within the Central New York, condemned the actions of the former Minneapolis police officer involved in the tragic and senseless death of George Floyd

WHEREAS, the killings of George Floyd, Breanna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Trayvon Martin, Michael Brown, Sandra Bland, and other people of color, has traumatized the residents of our Town, County, and State, and particularly our young people of color, and has threatened the health, mental health and safety of our communities; and

WHEREAS, as public servants and representatives of the Town of Manlius, the Manlius Town Board has a moral obligation to unite and heal our community by protecting the civil rights and liberties of all people, and speaking out against violence and racism wherever it is found; and

WHEREAS, as public servants and representatives of the Town of Manlius, the Manlius Town Board has a responsibility to cultivate a sense of community that is intentionally inclusive of all people of color, where diversity is celebrated; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Manlius seeks to become a more diverse community, where people of all races feel a sense of belonging; and

WHEREAS, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Manlius Town Board recognizes this somber moment in our history, and condemns the murder of George Floyd, as well as all acts of police brutality, racial profiling, and the use of excessive force by police officers; and, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby is directed to send this resolution to the State Legislators representing the Town of Manlius, and to the Governor of the State of New York.

Supervisor Theobald stated that this issue needs to be recognized not only in Manlius but the United States of America, it is good to be in the forefront of expressing our concerns and it is good to be having these conversations.

Councilor Kriesel made a motion, seconded by Councilor Deer, to adopt the resolution for Black Lives Matter as prepared.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Deer, Councilor Denton, Councilor Green, Councilor Kriesel, Councilor Waters

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Councilor Kriesel invited the Town Board and all to come to the Facing Racism Rally being held at Beard Park in Fayetteville on Sunday at 2:00 PM. The Rally will offer members of the community and professionals to speak on issues of racism.

Councilor Green stated our heart goes out to the Town of Manlius Police Department. Councilor Green stated that the Town of Manlius has been very fortunate for so many years for their police force. Councilor Green thanked the police for being such great representatives of the Town.

Councilor Kriesel added that the Town of Manlius Police Department is stellar, and at its core is very strong with a willingness to hear other perspectives. Councilor Kriesel invited the police to come to the rally and hear from people what their experiences have been, to help grow and learn and get better as time moves on.

Councilor Waters asked if the board would allow Sharon Dotger as a constituent to speak to the Board.

Sharon Dotger stated she is looking for information on how the Town is working and requested the following:

Information on the Town Police:

- What materials the police have access to, how they are put into use and if they stay in the Town or go somewhere else.

Information on Housing:

- Appreciates how careful the board is being about zoning.
- loves living among the trees
- Would like the town to become as purposeful about housing opportunities for people of low income and people of color, as the town is about taking care of the trees.

Information on Schools:

- Would like to see the Town Board openly study and evaluate the consolidation of schools within the Town. The town is too small and resource intensive and it is preventing schools from being as nimble to respond appropriately to current challenges.

Councilor Kriesel stated she is mindful of all Ms. Dotger spoke of. Councilor Kriesel stated as they move forward with their comprehensive plan that the board will be to evaluate how they can be more inclusive in housing for low to moderate income and people of color as there is a great lack of diversity in the community.

Councilor Waters stated the Board is drafting a resolution to recognize Pride month in the Town of Manlius. Councilor Waters gave a history on how few options for housing and finance have been available to the LGBTQIA community. Councilor Waters stated she would like the town to recognize June as Pride month and raise the Philadelphia Pride Flag or the Progress flag in June.

20. Supervisor

Supervisor Theobald spoke about the renovations that are to be done to the Village Municipal building that house the Town of Manlius Police Department. Supervisor Theobald stated there have been negotiations about the cost of the renovations and it was decided the Village of Manlius would pay 4 months of the trailer lease and the Village and Town would split the rest which would be around \$20,000 to the Town.

21. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made by Councilor Green and seconded by Councilor Deer the Board voted unanimously to adjourn regular session at 9:12 PM.

Ayes: Supervisor Theobald, Councilor Green, Councilor Bollinger, Councilor Denton, Councilor Deer, Councilor Waters, Councilor Kriesel

Nayes: 0

All in Favor.

Motion Carries.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Allison A. Weber
Town Clerk

Additional Comments made on Facebook:

Garret Malone, Chris Beck mentioned other wetlands to replace these used for the inland port where are these located, he never answered flooding concerns?? I have lived here 20 years & never seen a DOT inspection on the truck. Rail trucks get little preventive maintenance mostly it is reactive maintenance when there is already a problem discovered by the driver. I live at 6345 Fremont road how will this impact my property noise & view?

Sara Hopkinson Kohlbrenner, how about encouraging more diversity on the board? Thank you, Katelyn.

Nan Clark, Fremont Rd. is a traffic nightmare. There are 3 schools in the immediate area. I urge you to be very careful when making your decisions on this matter. Have any of the decision makers visited the Fremont Rd. site? Big deal unless you live in the neighborhood!

Mike Nesci, What enhancements to public safety have been considered? Specifically, to the Fire Department's equipment and training? Years ago, when this was first in the works the Port said they would provide funds, equipment or training to the department. Excellent decision. Similar to Erie Village. Going to read it? I second Mark Lavine's question.

Barb Wilson, Thanks for letting the public speak and also to Heather and Katelyn for stepping up so boldly tonight on behalf of all of us! This is not a good move. Way to go, Katelyn!! True. Not AT ALL.

Mark Lavine, Is there a significant financial or ancillary benefit for the Town of Manlius? What affect will the increased amount of pollution from the trucks be handled? What can be done for noise abatement? Will our current infra structure be able to handle the truck load?

Gale Smith, thank you for allowing residents to attend the meeting in this way.

Valerie Ferguson Beecher, Great idea Heather, thank you. Thank you Katelyn and the Board!

Andria Costello Staniec, Thank you, Katelyn!

Rae McClean, Thank you Katelyn, yes.