

Parma Town Board and Hilton Village Board Joint Meeting held on
Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at the Parma Town Hall,
1300 Hilton Parma Corners Road, Hilton, New York

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TOWN OF PARMA

ATTENDANCE

	Supervisor	Jack Barton
	Councilperson	Gary Comardo
	Councilperson	James Roose
	Councilperson	Blake Keller
	Councilperson	Linda Judd
Absent	Mayor	Joe Lee
	Trustee	Jim Gates
	Trustee	Larry Speer
	Trustee	Andrew Fowler
	Trustee	Shannon Zabelny
	Town Clerk	Carrie Fracassi
	Village Clerk/Manager	Shari Pearce

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Parma Building and Development Coordinator, Dennis Scibetta, Village Code Enforcement Officer, Mike Lissow, DPW Superintendent, Mike McHenry, Dir. of Parks and Recreation, Tom Venniro, Library Director, Leslie Boedicker, Dave Tresohlavy, Neil Houser, Mike Weldon, Sharon Dickie, John Dickie, John Huber, Linda Viney, Jim Vinette, Steve Zajac and other members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Barton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by a moment of silence. Emergency exit procedures were noted and he noted that the Town and Village hold a meeting every year to discuss with and update each other on things going on in each municipality.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Shari Pearce explained that the Village has hired MRB to be their project leader/engineer for the Village Comprehensive Plan Update. They have their steering committee in place; have had meetings and a survey will be coming out soon for Village Residents to give input. On June 27th they will be holding their first Public Meeting to gather information and give residents a chance to be involved. They are trying to engage the public as much as possible. MRB has developed a website for residents to go to and view the process as it goes. They hope to finalize their plan by June 2020 with updates every 5 years.

FOOD SHELF

Mayor Lee said the Food Shelf has been getting a lot of donations and they are looking to expand the space into another room. The Food Shelf will pay for the supplies to expand and the Village DPW will be doing the renovations. Mayor Lee stated that the Food Shelf helps approximately 10-15 families per day and at Holidays they prepare baskets for families. John Huber asked if they deliver food to families that cannot get there. Mayor Lee stated they have not but they would if there was a need, they have volunteers that would deliver.

ROLLING SIGN

Trustee Speer said that the Recreation Sign used to advertise events for the Town and Village is old and weathered. It is currently not being used. The Village is looking to put money in their budget this upcoming year to replace the sign and hoped the Town would be willing to do the same. This would be a LED rolling sign, be programmable and use either solar panels or generator to run. He passed out a picture of what it might look like. The cost could be \$15,000 or more and he would get more information and pricing if the Town is interested. Tom Venniro said that the sign is used 50% of the time for Village/Town events and 50% of the time by other groups, he didn't know if they could ask those other groups to pitch in for the sign or if they could start charging rent to other groups for use of the sign. Trustee Speer and Tom Venniro were going to look into this more.

Neil Houser asked if it would be more cost effective to get another sign like the current one instead of a LED one. Tom Venniro said it would probably be cheaper to purchase but the labor costs involved with upkeep, switching the wording on the sign, purchasing letters, and vandalism that has happened in the long run it was felt it would be less expensive.

BULK STORAGE

Trustee Speer said that in the past couple years there has been discussion about purchasing land to jointly store equipment and bulk storage of concrete, gravel and stone. The Village will not be able to continue storing where they currently do on Old Hojak and the Town currently uses some land on the Hunte Property and that may not last forever. The Village has set money aside for the last two years to purchase land and they were hoping the Town would like to join in for this purchase to use this land jointly. Mike McHenry also wanted the Town to be aware that buying the property is only part of the cost; it would also need to be developed and secured at a cost. This would be a great opportunity to share property, equipment, and resources and he hoped they could start planning for this. Supervisor Barton asked if they have looked at potential places. Mr. McHenry said that there are some potential places but they have not talked pricing yet.

SOLAR FARM INVESTMENT

Trustee Speer said he has had a lot of questions about the Solar Farms being put in the Town. He would like to know what the process is and what the advantage is to residents or corporations. Supervisor Barton stated that the Town of Parma is already at their limit of farms they can have at three farms because the substations are at their limit, which is determined by RGE. There is a Pilot Program in place for taxes to make it feasible for them to run the business. Trustee Speer asked what the Town's involvement is. Supervisor Barton stated the Town is not involved and does not benefit from it; it is strictly a commercial venture. It is his understanding that they find their customers before they build the solar farm. Trustee Zabelny asked if because the Village is inside the Town, they are maxed out too. Supervisor Barton said yes because they are all served by the Manitou Road substation. Dennis Scibetta said that a solar entity could pay to upgrade the service if they wanted to add an additional solar farm. Shari Pearce asked if there would be an issue if residents were putting solar on their houses. Mr. Scibetta said that that is so little it would not make a difference on the grid.

ACCESSIBILITY PARKING TAGS

Supervisor Barton understands that the Town and Village can issue Accessibility Parking Tags; currently the Town issues for both Town and Village residents and has for years. Supervisor Barton felt that if a resident is coming into the Town Hall for other business and needs a parking tag he does not feel that we should be sending them away to another stop. The Town Clerk stated that when someone comes in and it is hard enough for them to get into our building and we have to turn them away she feels bad making them have to go somewhere else when we can have the process done in a couple minutes. Shari Pearce is fine handling it any way we would like to proceed. Mayor Lee agreed that these should be processed in a way which is more convenient for the resident. After discussion it was felt that if a resident calls about a parking tag they could be directed to the Village or Town based on where they live but if they already are getting them at the Town Hall or come into the Town Hall they can continue to get them at this location.

NORTH PARMA STATION INFORMATION

The Developer was unable to attend the meeting. Supervisor Barton did note that there is a proposed development immediately south of Unionville Station which will be in the Town. There is a possibility the Library could build a building at this site in the future. A Conceptual Plan was provided to the Town Board and the Developer says he is ready to move forward.

Supervisor Barton also mentioned that the Library and Friends of the Library are looking for volunteers if anyone is interested to staff the book store for a couple hours.

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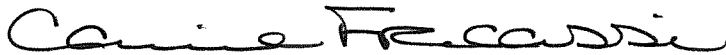
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Shari Pearce discussed grant money available through NYSERTA and was going to send the information to the Town so they could look at the possible grant money available.

There being no further business before the Town and Village Boards the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carrie Fracassi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'C' at the beginning.

Carrie Fracassi
Parma Town Clerk