Public Hearing October 24, 2006

At 6:45 p.m. Supervisor Lester called to order a public hearing located at the Town Hall, 18 State Street, Brockport, New York on October 24, 2006. The purpose of the public hearing was to hear all persons interested in the subject of special assessment rolls for the following improvement districts:

Sweden Consolidated Water District Sweden Consolidated Sewer District Sweden Fire District Drainage Districts Lighting Districts Park Districts

Town Board Members present were Supervisor Buddy Lester, Councilperson Rob Carges, Councilperson Patricia Connors, Councilperson Tom Ferris, and Councilperson Danielle Windus-Cook. Also present were Finance Director Leisa Strabel, Highway Superintendent Fred Perrine, Town Attorney Jim Bell, Receiver of Taxes Kathy Roberts, and Town Clerk Karen Sweeting.

Visitors present were Town of Sweden residents Dorothy Mae Kanous, Donald LaRock Sr., Mary Ellen Mulligan, Dora and Andrew Jones, Martin and Evelyn Spink, Bud and Stella Detar, Malcolm Calman, Christine Snyder, James Murphy, Jim Hamlin, Tim Bates, Jack Milner, Lauren and Lois McCracken, Alex Hinkley, Rebecca Donohue, Linda and Bob Canham, Elaine Weber, Dave Fleisher, and Stan Fleisher; Spencerport residents Dale and June Smith, and Beverly and Don Lewis; Hamlin residents Irma Badge, Terry Thran, and Sandra Walton; Clarkson residents Dolores Zielonko, Frances Piccirillo, and Arlene Ward; Holley residents Joyce Henion and Geneva DeMascio; Wal-Mart representative Drew Coleman; students Nicole Weber, Michelle Roberts and Seth Robishaw; and reporters Robbi Hess from the Suburban News and Mike Costanza from the Brockport Post. Others were present but did not sign in.

Supervisor Lester introduced the members of the Board, Finance Director and Town Clerk.

Supervisor Lester asked Town Clerk Karen Sweeting to read the legal notice published in the Town newspapers. Notice was read.

Supervisor Lester briefly explained each special district. There are six Lighting Districts for streetlights, four of which are located in the Sweden Village area. This charge appears only on the Town and County tax bills of those in the Lighting Districts; only those in the district pay for the additional service. The Sweden Consolidated Sewer district now includes the newly formed Fourth Section Road North Side Sewer. Again, only the residents within the district pay. The Town's fire protection is contracted with the Village of Brockport and Clarkson is also a partner.

New York State places a "cap" on the cost to the homeowner, therefore determining the special improvement districts for the Town. For example, a water district would include the debt service, consumption of water, labor, materials, legal costs, and engineering costs. These costs spread among the parcel owners within the district would have to fall below the threshold set by the state for the district to form. If the cost is above the threshold set by the state, the district cannot be formed. Mr. Lester explained that the threshold is the primary reason for the south portion of Sweden not having several special improvements; it is too costly in the southern sections of

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Sweden. It is cost effective for subdivisions to obtain water/sewer because there are several houses in close proximity.

Supervisor Lester asked if anyone had any comments.

Resident Marilyn Lafferty asked who determines the size and location of the district.

Supervisor Lester answered that the determinant is the going rate for all costs involved in the formation and construction of the district. The Town of Sweden was able to form the Colby Street/Sweden Walker Road extension and the Shumway Road/Sweden Walker Road extension with partial funding from Iroquois Rock for the Colby extension and the Monroe County Water Authority for the Shumway extension. The districts hold the maximum number of parcels without exceeding the state threshold. All districts must be reviewed by the state for affordability.

Supervisor Lester asked if anyone had any further comments. No one spoke. The public hearing was closed at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen M. Sweeting Town Clerk