

OCTOBER 9, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

Supervisor Lisa Van Winkler called the meeting to order at 7:00 and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Supervisor Van Winkler

Councilperson Dorayne Peplinski

Councilperson Jeffrey Crockett

Councilperson Leslie Miller

Councilperson John Armstrong – Absent

Also Present: Jim Hackenberry, Zenia Lynn Teresa Williams and Glenn Armstrong of the Planning Board.

Motion by L. Miller and second by D. Peplinski to accept the Supervisor's Report

All – Aye

J. Armstrong – Absent

Motion by L. Miller and second by J. Crockett to accept the Town Clerk's Report.

All – Aye

J. Armstrong – Absent

Jim Hackenberry spoke to the

Board regarding plans he uncovered on U Tube and through a friend of plans proposed for Gelston Castle Property by Jason Stafford to establish a village of Tiny Houses. This was news to the Town Board. (a week or so after speaking with Mr. Hackenberry the Town Clerk received an email on this subject from Beatrice Pierse requesting information and regulations regarding building tiny houses on this property. See the attached e-mail and answer = phone # attached to the email - 516-303-4333.) The Board was very interested in this movement and thanked Mr. Hackenberry for bring it to our attention. He will keep us informed of further developments if he hears them. The castle people do not share well with the Board.

A Decommissioning Policy had been received from our Attorney regarding the Kingdom Solar Farm. The solar company has finally accepted our requirements on this matter. Motion to accept the new agreement which does meet our requirements and conditions was made by J. Crockett and second by L. Miller.

All – Aye

J. Armstrong – Absent

Motion by J. Crockett and second by L. Miller that this is a policy and affects the Kingdom Solar Farm only. For future projects the Town will engage a private entity to handle these matters.

All – Aye

J. Armstrong – Absent

Supervisor Van Winkler told the Board that the Town is being audited on our Budget submission. It is ok, they are just doing a check. She has to submit a copy of the Tax Warrant for the Town for 2023. She is in the process of securing this and will forward it to them.

Supervisor also informed the Board that she has spoken to Tim Hannigan regarding the ambulance coverage for the Town. She has tried to reach the Mayor of Richfield Springs, Rick Spencer, regarding this matter and he has not responded to date. The fee for Hannigan is to be paid by "Biden" monies which we have received.

Supervisor Van Winkler briefly touched on the new budget and reported that the only changes are to the Highway salaries: to the Heavy Equipment Operators rate -- \$21.75 per hour and to the Highway Supt's Deputy to \$23.50 per hour. These salary increases were included in the budget for 2024.

Supervisor also told the Board that she has made an electronic transfer on 9/27/2023 of \$20,870.96 to America Gas for a pre-buy of propane to the Town Barn buildings.

Motion by L. Miller and second by J. Crockett to change the date of the November meeting to Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

Motion by D. Peplinski and second by L. Miller to pay General Accounts 75 – 81.

All – Aye J. Armstrong – Absent

Motion by L. Miller and second by J. Crockett to pay Highway Accounts 160-174.

All – Aye J. Armstrong – Absent

Motion by J. Crockett and second by L. Van Winkler to adjourn.

All – Aye J. Armstrong – Absent

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

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