

Minutes of the Town of Chesterfield Regular Town Board Meeting Held on Tuesday, March 9th, 2021 at the Town of Chesterfield Offices ,1 Vine Street, in Keeseville, County of Essex, State of New York, Pursuant to Due Notice.

Supervisor Barber called the Town Board Meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those Present:

Supervisor	Clayton Barber
Town Clerk	Bruce Bourgeois
Councilman	David Gload
Councilman	Richard Klages
Councilman	Patrick "Bill" Mitchell
Councilman	John Casey
Town Attorney	Michael McCormick
Supt. Of Highways	John "Jay Champine
Clerk to Supervisor	Laura Ocasio

Guests Present:

Brad Noviski (AES)

Supervisor Barber opened the meeting with all in attendance wearing appropriate masks and social distancing. The public could not attend but were able to view the meeting via Face Book. 123 people tuned in.

Upon a motion by Councilman Klages and seconded by Councilman Gload and unanimously carried it was

#33 Resolved: That the reading of the minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting of February 9th, 2021 be dispensed with.

Supervisor Barber gave Town of Chesterfield Water project update. The agreed upon pricing for the quarterly water rate will be set at \$105 for the first 11,000 gallons and a \$55 quarterly payment for Capital Debt. The last payment of \$300,000 plus \$1500 interest on the Village of Keeseville debt will be paid in September of this year.

Supervisor Barber offered the courtesy of the floor to Brad Noviski.

Mr. Noviski (AES) stated that construction is going quite well with sand filters being the only hiccup but that issue is being resolved. The cost of the project will be approximately \$10 million but should know better by next month. All change orders are current. There are no issues with DEC changes. Grants are being applied for which the new stimulus should provide. The income surveys need to be completed.

Supervisor Barber informed the Board that the Town received a draft permit from Brad Noviski that would consolidate all of the Town's water permits. He presented the Board with two letters from the Dept of Health completed by Marleen Martin and Dave Winter. Marleen continually mentions how good Dave Winter is as a water operator.

Supervisor Barber informed the Board that Williamson Law Book is finalizing details to export meter reads to handhelds for water billing in March. Water customers will have a different on line payment option and will be able to access their balances on line after creating an account. Supervisor Barber tasked Town Clerk Bourgeois to post on Face Book the information and provide a sample of the new billing card.

Supervisor Barber informed the Board that the Town of Chesterfield received good news from NYSLRS that after submitting all ROAs and following compliance standards, all Town of Chesterfield officials are cleared of their suspension in the State Retirement System.

Upon a motion by Councilman Gload and seconded by Councilman Casey and carried with Councilman Mitchell voting "No" it was

#34 Resolved: To appoint Randy Pray Building Code and Zoning Code Enforcement Officer for the Town of Chesterfield.

Supervisor Barber presented a letter from Friends of Pok-O to the Board requesting a letter of support for grant submission to Parks and Trails NY.

Upon a motion by Councilman Gload and seconded by Councilman Mitchell and unanimously carried it was

#35 Resolved: To send a letter to Parks and Trails NY supporting Friends of Pok-O in their request for grant funding.

Supervisor Barber gave the Board presentation on a District Combined Summer Day /Swim Camp from July 5th through August 13th. The Councilmen and Town Attorney McCormick expressed concerns over lack of certified lifeguards and whether it would affect the Town of Chesterfield's swim program. The request was tabled until more information is provided.

Supervisor Barber provided the Board with the 2021 Insurance Policy from Rose and Kiernan for the Board to review.

Supervisor Barber informed the Board that the Town has determined that the weekly charges for uniforms from Unifirst is \$75.21.

Upon a motion by Councilman Klages and seconded by Councilman Gload and unanimously carried it was

#36 Resolved: To pay Unifirst \$315.82 for uniforms for the balance of 2021 for the Town employees currently enrolled in the system.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Casey and unanimously carried it was

#37 Resolved: To accept the Supervisor's Report for the month of February,2021. A copy of the report can be found on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Upon a motion by Councilman Klages and seconded by Councilman Gload and unanimously carried it was

#38 Resolved: That all audited bills presented to the Town Board be paid. Bills in the amount of \$19990.56 were audited and paid from the General Fund. Bills in the amount of \$20809.39 were audited and paid from the Highway Fund. Bills in the amount of \$10196.02 were audited and paid from the Town of Chesterfield Water District. Bills in the amount of \$4496.97 were audited and paid from the Port Kent Water District. Bills in the amount of \$571.11 were audited and paid from the Port Kent Lighting District. Bills in the amount of \$60.90 were audited and paid from the Ausable Chasm Lighting District.

Upon a motion by Councilman Gload and seconded by Councilman Klages and unanimously carried it was

#39 Resolved: That all letters brought before the Town Board be filed.

Supervisor Barber offered the courtesy of the floor to Superintendent of Highways Champine. Superintendent Champine asked if the Town owned any property at the end of Beech Street for a turnaround. After much discussion it was determined that the Town did not own any property there.

Upon a motion by Councilman Klages and seconded by Councilman Gload and unanimously carried it was

#40 Resolved: To enter into executive session at 7:28 PM to discuss personnel issues.

The Board entered back in public session at 7:50 PM.

Upon a motion by Councilman Gload and seconded by Councilman Klages and unanimously carried it was

#41 Resolved: To amend Resolution # 39 of 2020 to state that all full time employees of the Town of Chesterfield receive 8 hours sick time per month from date of hire.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Gload and unanimously carried it was

42 Resolved: That with no further business to come before this Town Board meeting, this meeting could be adjourned at 7:52P.M.

Bruce Bourgeois

Town Clerk