**MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Sodus Town Board Meeting commencing at 5:30 PM with an Attorney-Client Privilege Meeting followed by the Regular Town Board Meeting starting at 6:30 PM in the Sodus Town Courtroom November 9, 2021 located at 14-16 Mill St. Sodus, NY 14551.

All meetings are open to the public.

Present: Scott Johnson, Supervisor

David LeRoy, Councilperson/Deputy Supervisor

Don Ross, Councilperson

Chris Tertinek, Councilperson

Cathy Willmott, Councilperson

Recording Secretary: Lori Diver, Sodus Town Clerk-RMC

Absent: N/A

Others Present: Dale Pickering, Highway Superintendent

Brian Manktelow- N.Y.S Assemblyman

Sal Vittozzi- Camp Beechwood

Amy Kendall- Town Attorney

Bree Crandell- Supervisor Clerk

Ervina Donavon- Sodus Resident

Supervisor Scott Johnson called the Regular Town Board Meeting to order commencing at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and Lori Diver opened with roll call. All were present.

**PUBLIC SPEAKER:** N/A

***MINUTES***

* *September 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes*
* *September 30, 2021 Meeting Minutes*
* *October 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes*
* *October 15, 2021 Meeting Minutes*
* *October 19, 2021 Meeting Minutes*
* *October 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes*

Minutes from September 23, September 30, October 6, October 15, October 19, and October 28, 2021 were presented to the Town Board for approval. Councilperson Don Ross motioned to accept and file these Minutes, which was seconded by Councilperson Chris Tertinek. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross aye Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***TOWN CLERK’S REPORT***

The Town Clerk’s Report, Town Clerk’s bank statements for audit, and bank register for October 2021 were presented. Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to accept and file these reports, which was seconded by Councilperson Cathy Willmott. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***SUPERVISOR’S REPORT***

The Supervisor’s report was presented for October 2021.Councilperson Cathy Willmott motioned to accept and file this report, which was seconded by Councilperson David LeRoy. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***ABSTRACT***

***RESOLUTION TO PAY ABSTRACT No. 22***

***(01 10-2021)***

**WHEREAS,** the following bills were presented for payment on Abstract 22:

General 479-497 $ 62,555.73

Highway 256-272 $ 37,339.93

Bridge Project 023-023 $ 8,638.85

Special St. Lighting 016-016 $ 1,074.04

**GRAND TOTAL: $ 109,608.55**

**NOW BE IT RESOLVED**, Councilperson Chris Tertinek motioned to approve payment of these bills as reviewed for Abstract No. 22, which was seconded by Councilperson Don Ross. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Resolution Adopted.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*(John La Clair was unable to make it in person because he was called into work)*

There was discussion regarding John La Clair located at 5979 Main St. Joy and his property partially being inaccessible due to the Salmon Creek Bridge Project. The Sodus Town Clerk notified the Town Board, Town Attorney, and Highway Superintendent Dale Pickering that John La Clair called wanting to know why his property was partially inaccessible when the new bridge was redone. He complained to the previous Town Supervisor about his issue and claimed nothing was ever done. He assured the Town Clerk no action was taken.

Highway Superintendent Dale Pickering stated when the Salmon Creek Bridge was done, it was dedicated to the County and CP Ward was the engineers. They mistakenly blocked off part of his property for him to have access too. Dale kindly contacted the County for John to see if there is anything the Town can do to help assist in fixing this situation. Dale was waiting to hear back from them

La Clair wanted to know also, why he was not included in WD No. 6. Highway Superintendent Dale Pickering was a Councilmember at the time when WD No. 6 went through. During this period, there was no indication that John La Clair wanted to be a part of the water district. Town Attorney Amy Kendall stated that everything was done in accordance to forming the Water District, public notices, public hearings, letters, etc. The one option John has today is to hook into water with the Wayne County Water Authority (that was already offered to him) as an out of district user. He would have to pay the fees included to hook into the district; including a premium for the additional cost to run the line. Amy Kendall will write John a letter on behalf of the Town explaining why we cannot just let him hook in at no cost; which he was hoping for.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:** ***Councilperson David LeRoy, Chair***

***(Highway, Drainage - Deputy Town Supervisor)***

***HIGHWAY REPORT:***

(Dale Pickering – Highway Superintendent)

Councilperson Don Ross motioned to accept and file the monthly October 2021 Highway Report from Dale Pickering Highway Superintendent was seconded by Councilperson Cathy Willmott. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***SALT BARN UPDATE:***

Councilperson David LeRoy stated he wants to start with procuring a site plan for the new salt barn in January of 2022. He would like to start this process very soon.

***DRAINAGE:***

*(N/A)*

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE: *Councilperson Chris Tertinek, Chair***

***(Town Property, Animal Control, Flood Damage Prevention)***

***CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT:***

*Craig Schwartz- CEO*

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to accept the monthly October 2021 Code Enforcement Report as written was seconded by Councilperson Cathy Willmott. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***DOG CONTROL REPORT:***

*Tracy Brown, Primary DCO*

*Craig Schwartz- Secondary DCO*

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to accept the monthly October 2021 Dog Control Report as written was seconded by Councilperson Don Ross. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION REPORT-Code 69:***

*Chris Tertinek, Councilperson*

Chris gave his Flood Damage Prevention Report.

**RECREATION/ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTE: *Cathy Willmott, Councilperson***

***(Recreation, Assessor, Parks, Cemeteries)***

***Recreation Report***

***(Sheila Fisher, Recreation Director)***

Councilperson Chris Tertinek motioned to accept the monthly October 2021 Recreation Report from Sheila Fisher, Recreation Director was seconded by Councilperson David LeRoy. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***Assessor’s Report***

***(Nathan Mack, Assessor)***

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to accept and file the monthly October 2021 Assessor’s Report from Sole Assessor, Nathan Mack was seconded by Councilperson Chris Tertinek. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

***Camp Beechwood/Sodus Groundskeeper Report***

*(Sal Vittozzi-Caretaker-Sodus Town Groundkeeper)*

Councilperson Cathy Willmott motioned to accept the monthly October 2021 Camp Beechwood-Parks & Cemeteries Report from Sal Vittozzi, Sodus Town Groundskeeper-Caretaker was seconded by Councilperson Don Ross. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, aye; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

Caretaker Sal Vittozzi stated that the NY State Park Service has arrived and are now taking down dilapidated buildings.

**PUBLIC SAFETY/DRAINAGE/ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE: *Councilperson Don Ross, Chair (Fire, Ambulance, Emergency Preparedness)***

Councilperson Don Ross shared the Wallington Fire Department Community Fireworks will be Sunday December 12th, 2021 at 6:00 PM. The fire hall will open at 5:00 PM for free hotdogs and chili for the community.

The next SESA meeting will be November 14th, 2021at the Wallington Fire Department. It will start at 8:30 AM for anyone that would like to attend.

**TOWN HALL COMMITTEE: *Scott Johnson, Supervisor***

***(Personnel, Clerks, Justices, Assessor, Building Inspector, Town Council, Boards, Insurances, Finance)***

**CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION**

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to allow Lori Diver Sodus Town Clerk to advertise Local Law 4-2021 (rescinding Local Law 3-2021 (2%) Tax Cap) was seconded by Councilperson Chris Tertinek. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to hold public hearing Tuesday December 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM in the downstairs courtroom for Local Law 4-2021 (rescinding 2% tax cap) was seconded by Councilperson Chris Tertinek. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned authorize Supervisor Scott Johnson to sign the Humane Society Contract for 2022 was seconded by Councilperson Cathy Willmott. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

Councilperson David LeRoy motioned to authorize Supervisor Scott Johnson to sign the Snow & Ice Control on County Roads for 2022 was seconded by Councilperson Cathy Willmott. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

There was some discussion regarding the Cannabis Law. Supervisor Scott Johnson stated he met with the Village of Sodus Mayor and Village of Sodus Point Mayor and they both are leaning towards opting in.

Councilperson Chris Tertinek went to the Village of Sodus Point Zoning Board regarding dock specifications at Harriman Park. He was informed by Code Enforcement Officer Kevin Druschel and the V/Sodus Point Zoning Board that there are no setbacks for municipalities.

Councilperson Cathy Willmott motioned to change Month End Town Board Meeting from Thursday November 25, 2021 (Thanksgiving Day) to Tuesday November 30, 2021 at 4:00 PM and allow Lori Diver Sodus Town Clerk to advertise was seconded by Councilperson Chris Tertinek. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

Councilperson Chris Tertinek motioned to approve the Town of Sodus for an extension on its Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (30 days) effective October 15, 2021 to November 13, 2021 for the newly built Town of Sodus Highway Barn located at 84 Rotterdam Rd. Sodus, NY 14551 was seconded by Councilperson David LeRoy. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

Councilperson Cathy Willmott motioned to approve the Town of Sodus for an extension on its Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (30 days) effective November 13, 2021 to December 13, 2021 for the newly built Town of Sodus Highway Barn located at 84 Rotterdam Rd. Sodus, NY 14551 was seconded by Councilperson Chris Tertinek. Upon roll call, the following votes were heard Supervisor Scott Johnson, aye; LeRoy, aye; Ross, aye; Tertinek, aye; and Willmott, aye. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION:**

1. Supervisor Scott Johnson shared the Sodus Winter Fest Committee will be holding a Christmas Parade in the Sodus December 11, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

Councilperson Cathy Willmott motioned to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Councilperson Cathy Willmott. Upon roll call the following votes were heard, Scott Johnson, aye; David LeRoy, aye; Don Ross, absent; Chris Tertinek, aye; and Cathy Willmott; aye. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49PM

Recording Secretary,

Minutes Written By:

Lori Diver Sodus Town Clerk, RMC