

January 9, 2024

Supervisor Horr called the Regular meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was taken, and found Councilperson Luce, Colella, and Bacon were present. Also present was Town Supervisor Gregory Horr, and Highway Superintendent James MacWhorter. Absent: Councilperson Infantino.

Pledge to the Flag followed, led by Councilperson Bacon.

Guests Include: Rick Lafford, Nancy Nice, Katie Infantino, Bill Waterhouse, Charles Perkins, Kim Coleman, Lisa Hartson, and Colleen Cone.

Privilege of the floor: Nancy Nice Town/Village Planning Board Chairperson, and Comprehensive Plan Work Group. Nancy addressed the board regarding the CPWG. She let everyone know that the group will be meeting at least once a month to go over the current plan and make changes. It is a lengthy process that will take more than one year to complete. The first meeting was on 1/8/24. After the meeting there were three volunteers from the public to be on the committee. The group is looking for at least three more volunteers from the public to be on the committee. There will be members from the village board, town board, zoning board of appeals, and planning board on the committee. Nancy asked if there were any questions from anyone in attendance. Councilperson Bacon asked how the board could help? Nancy suggested that the board read and familiarize themselves with the comprehensive plan and make sure that it is enforced.

Charlie Perkins addressed the board about the difficulty he has with signing the bills from the village on meeting nights. He does not feel that 30 minutes before the meeting is enough time to go over the bills thoroughly. He is asking the board if he could have two keys one for him, and one for the village clerk, to the small storage room inside the auditorium where the bills would be locked in the room where he could come in on the week-end, to retrieve the bills to review them. The Town Clerk will go through the keys to see if she can find a single key to that door.

Bill Waterhouse addressed the board regarding hiking at the old railroad bed. He is still seeking board approval. The board asked that the three things he would have to do is supply the town with a certificate of insurance, a release of liability, and to let us know a week in advance when he would be hiking in that area. The release of liability would need to come from the town attorney. Supervisor Horr will call the town attorney to have him write a release of liability.

A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon to allow Bill Waterhouse from Trail Otter Hiking to utilize the railroad bed for hiking with the stipulations above. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

The Town Clerk's report for the month of December 2023 was presented, copy on file. The report shows monies taken in for the month were \$2100.00 of which \$1520.90 was turned over to the Supervisor for placement in the appropriate account. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to accept the report as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Zoning/Code Officer's report for the month of December was submitted. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to accept the reports as submitted. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Justice reports from Justice Werth, and Weidman for the month of December 2023 were presented, copy on file. The report shows monies taken in for the month were \$13,220.00, and \$2886.00, respectively. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to accept the report as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Town /Village Planning Board: Minutes submitted for the December 26, 2023, meeting, copy on file. There was no agenda, so no meeting was held. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to accept the report as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Town/Village Zoning Board of Appeals: Minutes submitted for the December 21, 2023, meeting, copy on file. There was nothing on the agenda, so no meeting was held. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to accept the minutes as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Dansville area Chamber of Commerce: Minutes submitted for the October 2, November 6, and December 4, 2023, meeting, copy on file. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to accept the minutes as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Summary report for the month of December 2023 was presented, copy on file. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to accept the summary as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee Reports:

Cemetery: Superintendent MacWhorter let the board know that he closed the road leading to the cemetery today due to the high wind warning. He will open the cemetery road up in the morning if the winds subside.

The board discussed the winterizing of the cemetery house. Supervisor Horr will talk with Rob Smith (plumber) to see if he could do this.

Cemetery: Sexton report for the month of December 2023 was submitted. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to accept the report as submitted. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Highway: With the mild winter, the Town has not had to plow too much yet this season.

The board would like Superintendent MacWhorter to make a list of improvements needed at the town barn. The board would like to see the grounds committee stop down to the town barns to see what may need to be done.

Airport:

Soaring Club Lease: Supervisor Horr asked Rick Lafford for the certificate of insurance and the rental check, so the lease can be signed and finalized.

T-Hangar rental rates need to be compared to other airports to see if we should raise the rates, as they have not been raised since they were installed.

Recreation: Park gate is closed.

Other Business:

Review of monthly payroll summary/registers and bank statements: Town Clerk presented a copy to all board members, Reconciliation Summary of Banking Accounts and Bank Statements (General, Highway, Airport, Water District and Trust & Agency) for the period ending December 31, 2023, for their review. The materials were e-mailed to the Board members. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to approve the statements as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED

Committee formation: Legislative and Litigation, Councilperson Colella and Luce, Airport, Councilperson Bacon and Colella, Highway and Building Maintenance, Councilperson Infantino and Luce, Cemetery and Parks Councilperson Luce and Infantino.

McWhorter Road: Nothing new to report. Still waiting for grant opportunities to open. Councilperson Colella asked if there were any options to help the property owners out now. We do have \$100,000 set aside, but it will take more than that to repair the damage. The long-term goal will be to put boulders in and riprap the current.

Building Maintenance: The town needs an assessment of all our buildings to see what they need. Repairs are desperately needed at the Town Hall and Town Barns.

Canal Street: Still waiting to hear from the Town Attorney to see what options are available to the Town. Councilperson Colella suggests bringing a civil action to the Supreme Court of

Livingston County against Keifer and its tenants. The code enforcement officer has done whatever she can about the situation. We need to work with the County to seek action.

A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon to make American Energy Partners our gas and electric supplier. The fixed rate will be for three years at 10.3 cents per unit for electricity, and .68 cents per unit for gas. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Senior Citizen of the Year Nomination: Supervisor Horr asked for recommendations from the board. Councilperson Bacon suggested Claire Vandurme as she was mentioned last year as a nominee. A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon to accept Claire Vandurme as the nomination. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to donate \$500 to the Concert in the Park for 2024. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Supervisor Horr let the board know that he will be purchasing CDs with the excess funds from the General and Highway accounts. He will purchase it at the end of January, maturing after 10 months. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to allow Supervisor Horr to purchase the 10-month CD with the excess funds in the Highway and General accounts. The amount will be at the Supervisors' discretion. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Luce to approve Katie Infantino as the Comprehensive Plan Committee secretary at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, to be divided equally with the Village. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Councilperson Colella would like the authority to research our Local Laws to see if we can revise or devise a law that would allow our Code Enforcement Officer to go into rental properties to inspect. This would hopefully prevent our rental properties from deteriorating.

A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon to pay all bills as audited, general account vouchers for year 2023 #283- #287 incl., totaling \$5,241.00, and year 2024 #1-#8 incl., totaling \$3,823.33 highway account for 2023 vouchers #91- #93 incl., totaling \$1,645.93, and year 2024 #1-#2 incl., totaling \$418.06. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to adjourn. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Tyler
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

