

June 13, 2023

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

Guests include: Donna Didas, and Charles Perkins

Pledge to the Flag followed, led by Councilperson Infantino.

The Town Clerk presented the minutes from May 9, 2023, regular meeting, copy on file. A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon to accept the minutes as presented. All in favor: MOTION CARRIED.

The Town Clerk's report for the month of May 2023 was presented, copy on file. The report shows monies taken in for the month were \$3212.00 of which \$1731.74 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 May 2023 was presented, copy on file. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Infantino to accept the report as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Justice reports from Justice Werth and Justice Weidman for the month of May 2023 were presented, copies on file. The report shows monies taken in for the month were \$10,591.00 and \$3426.00 respectfully. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Infantino to accept the reports as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Town /Village Planning Board: Minutes submitted from May 23, 2023. A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to accept the meeting minutes as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Town/Village Zoning Board of Appeals: Minutes submitted for the May 18, 2023, copy on file. A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Infantino to accept the report as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Livingston County Planning Board Agenda was given to board members for review. Councilperson Bacon brought up West Sparta's battery storage moratorium. Councilperson Colella stated we should have battery storage. Councilperson Bacon asked if we should have a moratorium on battery storage? Councilperson Colella stated it would not be a bad idea. He wants to see if we had battery storage in our last moratorium. If not, we need to make a moratorium on battery storage. The Town Clerk will check the local law and pass the information on to the board.

County traffic safety board meeting minutes were given to all board members. There was nothing at that meeting pertaining to the Town of North Dansville.

Assessor's report: NO REPORT.

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

Committee Reports:

Cemetery: A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Luce to accept the May 2023 Cemetery report. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Superintendent MacWhorter stated that the cemetery has never looked better. There have been many compliments on the condition of the grounds. The County worker helped a lot and is done for the summer. We have three full-time workers that are working out well. Jim has taken outdated/old decorations off some of the sites. We need to keep up and enforce the rules of the cemetery.

Councilperson Bacon asked about the cemetery rates. It was mentioned in past meetings that they should be raised.

We need to investigate why the NYSEG bill is so high for a house that is vacant. A motion was made by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon to ask NYSEG to perform an energy audit for all the Town's properties. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Cemetery rates will be on a future Town Meeting agenda.

Highway: The roads that will be stoned and oiled this year are Kidd Road, and Sandy Hill Road. Jim MacWhorter stated that Scott Tracy wanted us to include Dugway Road, but the road work has already been planned. There was discussion regarding who should repair Dugway Road back to what it was before the Village dug it up for the water lines. Councilperson Colella stated whoever digs up the road needs to repair the road. It was again suggested that the Town devise a local law that would state notice is to be given, approval is to be given, a permit required, and the road must be put back in similar condition to what it was. Charlie Perkins addressed his concerns. He asked if there was an agreement on paper or verbal on who is to maintain Dugway Road. Superintendent MacWhorter stated that the village plows and sands it because the town takes care of Greenmount and Depot Roads for them. The portion of Dugway Road that was impacted is mostly the Town portion. Mr. Perkins will present to the Village Board that if the Village crew dug up the Town portion of the road, they should repair it to a similar condition. A motion by Councilperson Colella, and a second by Infantino for Supervisor Horr to ask the Mayor for the Village to repair the Town portion of Dugway Road to a similar condition to what it was before it was dug up. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Airport: Supervisor Horr let the board know that he sent an application and letter to the FAA regarding usage of the main hangar for a wedding in June of 2024. He stated that he received an email response stating it would not be approved. Supervisor Horr will let the parties involved know of the response.

Supervisor Horr also stated that he emailed Damon Flick about his Eagle Scout project. He is strongly encouraging Damon to change the location of his project, as he does not believe the FAA will respond in a manner sufficient to the project timeline. Damon was given approval at a prior board meeting contingent upon FAA approval which we do not have yet. Supervisor Horr suggested Frontage Road Park as an alternate location.

Hot Air Balloon Management: The board is continuing to work with Hot Air Balloon Management on the usage of the Airport grounds for their Labor Day Festival. We did receive a contract from them that was given to the Town Attorney for review. A fee has not been decided on. We may need a meeting specifically to discuss the contract and usage fee. Councilperson Bacon asked if we could approve the usage of the grounds pending legal agreement. Councilperson Colella suggested we wait until Attorney Putney gets the contract back with any revisions or changes.

Airport mowing should continue as in the past. It was suggested to leave certain areas not mowed to save money. Councilperson Colella stated we should have a plan in place for next year for the mowing of the Airport.

Supervisor Horr asked Jeff Shaver from the airport if the runway lights could be put on a daytime circuit? Jeff stated yes, it is something that could be done. Jeff stated that the airport lights are on throughout the weekends from 11am-5pm. He is not aware of how much electricity that takes, but he stated that it burns the bulbs out fast and they are expensive. He currently needs to replace about 25-30 bulbs. He suggested contacting a local electrician to estimate the cost of this project. He estimates between 500.00 and 600.00. A motion was made by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Infantino to allow Jeff Shaver to seek an electrician to do this project up to \$1000.00. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Superintendent MacWhorter stated that the lower roof over the office space below the main hangar has a leak. The Town Clerk will reach out and see who could repair the roof. This is an emergency roof repair, so it can be anyone without getting estimates.

Supervisor Horr stated that the Soaring Club lease is due to expire on June 30<sup>th</sup> of this year. He will notify the Soaring Club that the lease will expire, and the Town will open the contract for renegotiation. Councilperson Colella stated that due to timing, the new lease should be made retroactive to July 1, 2023. Colella asked if a committee should be formed. There are several airport items that need attention. Councilperson's Colella and Bacon volunteered to be on the committee. T-hangar rates need to be discussed as they have not been raised in several years. Jeff Shaver stated that the lowest rate other than Dansville for hangar rental space is \$300.00. Councilperson Colella wants to make sure that the lease gets done by August 30<sup>th</sup> or the Soaring Club will be unable to use the airport grounds.

McWhorter Road: Supervisor Horr anticipates an answer from Army Corps of Engineers. If the project is denied, the Town has budgeted funds to do a project like what LMC did. This project is scheduled to be done by the end of this year.

Building maintenance: Supervisor Horr asked a local plumber to look at the pump in the basement and the upstairs men's bathroom. It was decided that the bathroom toilet would be too much for him to manage as it is a wall mount toilet and not a floor mount. A commercial plumber will have to fix the upstairs bathroom. Supervisor Horr will continue to look for a plumber for this project. The local plumber will order a new pump for the basement.

Supervisor Horr mentioned the letter that was given to each board member from Councilman Eugene Cook, form the Town of Huntington. The letter stated the Town of Huntington passed a resolution urging the NYS Legislature and Governor Hochul to draft and enact legislation regarding voter's identification process. Councilman Cook believes by urging our state representatives to create a voter's identification process, it will allow for a fair and consistent procedure to keep voter rolls current and uphold the principles of democracy that the United States was built on. Councilperson Colella asked if Clerk Tyler would type the resolution like the one Huntington did and have it for review at our next meeting.

Other business: Handicap access to the building is still being addressed. Supervisor Horr will need to get with Mayor Haywood for a plan on who will do what.

Nothing new to report on Canal Street, or Clear-Watts.

A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to pay all bills as audited, General Account Vouchers #97- #129 incl., totaling \$25,356.41, Highway Account Vouchers #35-#40 incl., totaling \$2,511.85, Water District #2 totaling \$929.50. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Tyler  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector