

August 19, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, August 19, 2019, at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Hall.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko
Councilman Richard Bear
Councilman John Bensen
Councilman Joel Rauf
Councilman Travis Richards

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Attorney: Tal Rappleyea

Department Heads: Greenville Rescue Squad Chief Matthew Marlow
Maintenance Supervisor & Deputy Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh
Assessor Gordon Bennett

Other: Greene County District #4 Legislator Greg Davis
and 20 guests

Absent: Highway Superintendent Terry Williams

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Jill Falchi was present, along with two colleagues, to confirm that the Town had received a \$30,000 reimbursable grant to complete a non-specified, energy efficient project. The deadline to submit the project plans is in October, and it stipulates the project must reduce energy use, and pay for itself within 20 years. Mr. Greg Mumby will assist in putting the project together and writing and submitting the document to NYSERDA. Supervisor Macko reported that installing mini-splits vs. the currently used window air-conditioners is an idea that had been previously discussed; Ms. Falchi and Mr. Mumby agree this is a valid use of the grant money.

Mr. Kevin Grace of Northeast Information Systems presented a proposal for upgrading our current telephone system. Quotes ranged between \$9,000 - \$11,000, and included 11 office phones and 6 cordless phones for other town sites (water, sewer, highway and library buildings). This is a VOIP system, which would become unusable when/if the cable service is down. There are ways to override that but he says we would still be subject to losing the telephone line at times. Another option discussed was a monthly service for the phone service, which would work the same but service, upgrades, etc. would all be under contract. Councilmen Bensen and Rauf requested proposals on the rental service contract; Supervisor Macko agreed, stating, "That makes the most sense."

Mr. Rauf moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of July 15th, 2019, seconded by Mr. Bensen.
Carried 5 ayes

Oral and/or written reports were received from the following departments:

Greenville Rescue Squad ~ Chief Matthew Marlow provided an oral and written report; noted the Westerlo Rescue Squad's operations will end on 12/31/2019, which may lead to more mutual aid calls.

Highway Department ~ Supervisor Macko gave an oral report of activities for this department. Paving will still continue, with \$204,000 of blacktop reserved for use this year. Carter Bridge Road to Big Woods Road and Newry Road are expected to be paved.

Building and Grounds ~ Oral report received from Maintenance Supervisor Hamilton. The usual summer work of mowing and trimming of nature trails continue, as well as further clean up at the site

of the former middle barn occurred. Cameras were placed at the library and electric vehicle charging stations, and the fuel pad at the highway department was poured in place. The retaining wall there will soon be completed.

Code Enforcement ~ Oral and written reports received from CEO Mark Overbaugh. It was noted that there was an increased number of title searches requested, which is a direct reflection of home sales. Stated, "People are buying now, not building."

Sewer ~ Supervisor Macko reported the sewer plant has met all expected parameters.

Water ~ Water Superintendent Bear provided a written report, which Deputy Superintendent Hamilton reviewed. Supervisor Macko added the 60/40% grant for the new water tank, lines & Rt. 81E extension would be closing on August 29th; the 1.84 million dollar project will receive \$1,106,294 in grant money, and (if all money is used) we will pay \$739,000 over 30 years. The project is expected to start in the Spring of 2020 and will be completed within 3-4 months.

Recycling ~ Councilman Bear reported all's well at the Center. He relayed concern that a backhoe at the highway garage has been in disrepair for over a year, and needs to be fixed to enable the garbage and cardboard be pushed down at the recycling center (instead of continuing to use the pay loader, which is not appropriate). Highway employee Jeff Kulas was present, and stated the workers have repeatedly tried to do the job and have been directed to work elsewhere. Councilman Bear insisted it needed to get done; Councilman Richards requested that anyone who wants to earn overtime on Friday, to do the repair.

Assessing ~ Assessor Bennett provided an oral and written report. He requested he meet with the Board in executive session later this evening to discuss a few current valuation lawsuits.

Planning Board ~ Supervisor Macko noted Chair Donald Teator had provided a written report as well as a letter to the Town Board expressing concerns about parking issues in Greenville. Agreed the Board must take a proactive approach to find more places to use as parking. For further discussion and review.

Zoning Board of Appeals ~ currently reviewing GCS's new LED signs for both the Elementary and Middle/High School entrances.

Dog Control ~ no report received.

Beautification Committee ~ Barbara Walter, Brian Mulligan, Nicole Ambrosio and Deb Danner were present tonight; noted Ginny Mangold is their new Chairwoman, and Nicole Ambrosio is now a Vice-Chair. Reported that proceeds from the 'Duck Project' will be applied to plans of reopening Prevost Hall as a community center.

Clerk/Tax ~ written reports provided.

Greene County Legislator Greg Davis ~ oral and written report on recent activities was offered. Stated he's attended many meetings and has his 'hands in many pots'. Greene County's "Moody's Financial rating" has increased, and thus money will be saved on the jail loan. They've received a private bond at a rate of 2.49%. Concrete has been poured for the jail construction, and it is expected to open in 2021.

New business discussed at 7:43 pm:

A liquor license application's 30 day advanced notice to municipality was received by Woodhouse Lodge, LLC, at 3807 County Route 26. No concerns were received regarding this application.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, to accept the resolution authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages at Woodhouse Lodge, LLC, and does express a favorable opinion.

Carried 5 ayes

The Vietnam Travelling Memorial Wall is scheduled to pass through the Town of Greenville on Wednesday, August 21st. Support from the Town has been requested by the co-sponsors, the Protectors Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club along with the Greene County Veterans Service Agency, Greene County Tourism and the American Legion Riders 291;

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to respond to the request for support affirmatively.

Carried 5 ayes

Follow up discussion occurred regarding the local Girl Scout troop's request to have exclusive meeting and storage space upstairs in Town Hall. Supervisor Macko wants a way to secure the basement and inner office space off of the main foyer. He feels the newspaper upstairs was not a problem when they rented out the upper level, and he has no problem with the space being utilized by the Girl Scout Troop. Discussion followed. The Scouts would pay for the necessary locks to secure the main and lower levels from the inside. This would be used for adult leaders only, 1-2 nights per month, and they would be responsible for their own space (cleaning, etc). The 2 Service Unit Leaders would be the only ones provided with keys (Mrs. Diane Therrien Smith and Mrs. Janelle Bucci). Attorney Rappleyea will draw up a lease/contract.

Mr. Rauf moved to proceed with allocation of two keys to the two Service Unit Leaders to provide access to only the third floor with the meeting schedule shared on an annual basis to be approved by the Board; also to allow for special meetings occasionally. All to be provided for in verbiage of a lease, offered at no charge to the Greenville Girl Scout Service Unit 115. Seconded by Mr. Bear.

Carried 5 ayes

Follow up discussion on the bike and skateboard committee occurred. Neither Councilmen Richards nor Rauf, members on the committee to work with the group to create this area, have heard from any of the interested youth or parents who were going to develop and manage this park. Frustration was expressed by both that the Town was willing to pay the liability insurance and work on preparing the site ~ yet no one has followed up with the process/plans. Councilman Rauf wants to be careful in how the Town proceeds. Supervisor Macko will contact one of the parents to assess continued interest, if any.

Supervisor Macko noted Greenville Days is scheduled for September 27th – 29th, and that the total estimated cost by Community Partners to undertake this is in the \$16,000 range. As the Town has been unable to utilize winter roller skating the past two years, and the cost of the tent rental is \$3,040, he recommends we donate that amount to the event.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, the Town donate \$3,040 to Community Partners to use towards Greenville Day 2019 festivities.

Carried 5 ayes

Mrs. Camryn Cooke has requested approval to display teal ribbons throughout the Town of Greenville during the month of September for the purpose of increasing awareness of ovarian cancer in the "Turn the Towns Teal" campaign.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Rauf, to support Mrs. Cooke in this endeavor.

Carried 5 ayes

Justice Kevin Lewis has requested approval to attend annual training in Lake Placid this September.

Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to allow Justice Kevin Lewis attend this educational conference.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko noted that last year, one year notes were taken out for the highway fuel tanks and new maintenance building and the windows and sidewalks projects. As they are soon due, he would like approval to have 5 year loans drawn up.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, to have Attorney Rappleyea draw up papers for a 5 year loan.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting for public comments and questions at 8:07 pm:

Grant Administrator Nicole Ambrosio would like to thank Maintenance Supervisor Renee Hamilton for her work on the electric vehicle charging station. Feels she did a great job, and they've had 4 cars use

this station so far! Mrs. Ambrosio also asked Girl Scout Troop Leader Diane Therrien Smith if they were taking donations for the locks to be placed in Town Hall to allow use of the upstairs, and then proceeded to contribute the first donation.

Resident Karen Overbaugh on Ingalside Road raised concerns about Camp Malka. She reports having witnessed three, 10,000 gallon water trucks go to the camp and also an increased amount of septic pumping trucks there as well. Reported a large black tube running from the old restaurant site down, directly into the water. Concerned about repeat issues, as in the past. Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh stated that their water and septic issues are overseen by the NYS Department of Health, but collaboration has been requested at times. Said he did review their site prior to opening season; also that it isn't against the law to buy water. When Ms. Overbaugh called CEO Overbaugh 3 weeks ago, the concern raised was only about the water tanks, and it was discussed promptly. CEO Overbaugh said he will do an on-site investigation the following day; Supervisor Macko will contact their plant operator, Joe Myers, to inquire of any problems. CEO Overbaugh repeated that the Department of Health was on top of Camp Malka, and that it (their sewer and water) is not under the Town's jurisdiction.

Another issue this month reported about Camp Malka was related to overflowing trash on their property falling into the Basic Creek, as witnessed from the Town Park property. This was addressed with DEC Officer Mike Arp and, at this time, the problem seems to be under control.

There being no other business to discuss, Mr. Bear moved to enter executive session at 8:16 pm, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation. Assessor Gordon Bennett was invited to participate.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bensen moved to return to regular session at 8:50 pm, seconded by Mr. Bear.

Carried 5 ayes

No motions were made in executive session.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to allow Supervisor Macko to sign an inter-municipal agreement, if necessary, to cover half of the cost of a shared appraisal with the Greenville Central School District.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to allow Attorney Rappleyea to sign off with an agreement with Cumberland Farms regarding litigation over property assessment.

Carried 5 ayes

The audit of bills occurred at 8:52 pm; after audit, Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to pay the following bills:

Bills 305 – 339 on General abstract #8 for \$21,143.24

Bills 151 – 172 on Highway abstract #8 for \$27,959.60

Bills 62 – 71 on Sewer abstract #8 for \$13,979.61

Bills 89 – 98 on Water abstract #8 for \$23,078.48

Bills 11 – 12 on Windows & Sidewalk Project abstract #7 for \$3,651.75

Bill 1 on Tractor Supply, escrow abstract #1 for \$6,194.80

Carried 5 ayes

After review, Mr. Rauf made a motion to accept the Supervisor's report for July, seconded by Mr. Bear.

Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business, Mr. Macko moved to adjourn at 9:18 pm.

Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

SUPERVISOR MACKO

MR. BEAR

MR. BENSEN

MR. RAUF

MR. RICHARDS

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