

June 15, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, June 15, 2020, at 7:00 pm via another publicly accessible phone conference; access instructions posted on the town's website.

Identified as present for this conference call:

Town Council: Supervisor Paul Macko, Councilman Richard Bear, Councilman John Bensen, Councilman Joel Rauf, and Councilman Travis Richards.

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Attorney: Tal Rapplelea

Department Heads: Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, Maintenance Supervisor Renee Hamilton, Water Superintendent P. Leroy Bear, Assessor Gordon Bennett

Other: 2 guests were present on this call.

Mr. Bear moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of May 18, 2020, seconded by Mr. Bensen.

Carried 5 ayes

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

Greenville Rescue Squad ~ no report received.

Highway Department ~ Superintendent Dudley presented an oral report on work completed within that department over the past 3 months. No motions made. Supervisor Macko thanked the department for helping with our walkway and the drop box work, stating, "Great job".

Building and Grounds ~ Oral report received from Maintenance Supervisor Hamilton. Interviews were done yesterday for part-time help, including one 10-15 hour/ week cleaner, one 28 hour/week part-time maintenance employee for summer help, and one part-time maintenance worker at 28 hours per week for the remainder of the year, each at \$14.00/hour.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Richards, to hire one cleaner and two part-time maintenance employees as described above.

Carried 5 ayes

Code Enforcement ~ Written reports received from CEO Mark Overbaugh and read by Supervisor Macko. No motions made. It was noted there were more new homes being built thus far in 2020 than in all of 2019, and the realtors have told Supervisor Macko that there is increased activity in sales.

Sewer ~ Supervisor Macko reported the sewer plant has met all license parameters. There are 3 pumps in need of rebuilds, and a quote for \$3,264 has been received.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear to approve hiring A-Team Pump & Control Service, LLC for \$3,264 for these repairs.

Carried 5 ayes

Water ~ Water Superintendent Bear offered oral and written reports. No motions made.

Recycling ~ Supervisor Macko reported they have been very busy at the plant. Current hours continue on Wednesdays and Saturdays between 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.

Assessing ~ Assessor Bennett provided an oral and written report; no motions made. Noted that the Board of Assessment Review was still short one member, should anyone care to apply.

Planning Board ~ Supervisor Macko noted that nothing has come before the Board in recent months.

Dog Control ~ no report received. Clerk Park reported a concern received regarding off-leash dogs in Vanderbilt Park outside of the 'off-leash' area. Also noted the Greene County Rabies Clinics have been thus far cancelled through October this year; any rescheduled dates will be posted on our website.

Beautification Committee ~ Supervisor Macko noted Greenville has 32 or 33 ducks which have been placed about town, as well as one Catskill cat. The auction has been postponed until 2021.

Clerk/Tax ~ written reports provided by Clerk-Collector Park for both Clerk and Tax accounts.

Greene County Legislator Greg Davis ~ no report received.

New business discussed at 7:26 pm: Supervisor Macko discussed an ongoing issue related to the extended sewer district where some connections still have not been made. The amnesty period for the

decreased cost of connection ended on 10/1/2019; he would like to extend that time period through the end of the year in 2022.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Rauf, to extend the motion originally made on April 15, 2019, to provide a moratorium on permit fees as established and to charge \$100 for residential parcels and \$250 for commercial parcels effective today, June 15, 2020, through December 1, 2022. The property owners not yet connected will be formally notified by the Zoning Enforcement Officer. These fees are not retroactive.

Carried 5 ayes.

A request has been made for use of the North Barn by Mrs. Gloria Savino, each Tuesday and Thursday from June 23rd through July 30th. Her intent is to host a small group of children, 6 or less at one time, for reading time, and all of the CDC protocols for separation and sanitation will be complied with.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to approve these dates as long as the Covid-19 lockdowns allow it.

Carried 4 ayes via roll call vote; Mr. Macko recused himself as Mrs. Savino is his sister.

Supervisor Macko received a request from Mr. Brad Monkell to use the gazebo in Veteran's Park to offer free concerts this summer with the purpose of raising money for charitable causes. He has planned the first concert with Jazz music to include former GCS Band teacher Michael Benedict and several other former GCS musicians, and would like to donate 50% of the money raised to our Greenville Food Pantry, and 50% to the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. Discussion followed about social distancing issues and general use of the town facilities;

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve use of the gazebo for these charity concerts, pending phase 4 reopening in the "capital district region". (date uncertain at this time).

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko read a prepared Certificate of Recognition as prepared by himself and Historian Donald Teator, to honor the 100th Anniversary of Sunny Hill Resort & Golf Course; attached. This also declares June 30th as Sunny Hill Resort Day in the Town of Greenville, Greene County, New York.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve this proclamation.

Carried 5 ayes

Clerk-Collector Park notified all in attendance of several communications she received:

- The NYS Office of the State Comptroller has notified the Town of Greenville that our AUD (audit) has not been received for the 12/31/2019 fiscal-year end. (Supervisor Macko will discuss with the Accountants)
- The NYS DOT has replied to our April 2017 speed evaluation request, with apologies for the delay, for the area on SR 32 between Sunny Hill Road and the Central Hudson substation. They have determined that a speed limit reduction is not warranted for this section of Route 32.
- Ms. Karen dePeyster of the Tobacco-Free Action of Columbia and Greene Counties sent an email following up on a previous town motion to post signage in all of our parks indicating they are smoke and tobacco free; Supervisor Macko will contact her in the morning.

Greene County Legislator Greg Davis arrived on this call at a previous time and offered a verbal report of activities as of late.

At 7:45 pm, Supervisor Macko asked if there was anyone who wished to be heard.

Water Superintendent Leroy Bear noted that "Dig Safe NY" no longer will take requests via fax, and he asked for approval to send these requests via the Maintenance and Water Department computer. Councilman Bensen was surprised there wasn't an online form that could be used to submit this. Discussion followed.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Rauf, to approve changing over the Dig Safe NY submissions to email and to designate the water computer to use to complete this task.

Carried 5 ayes

Councilman Richards followed up on past discussions regarding the cancellation of this year’s Greenville Day, and wants to plan a time in August for a “Small Business Weekend”, to bring some money back into our local businesses in town. He’d like to use funds that would have gone towards Greenville Day to instead be used towards this small business weekend event. The Board felt that was a wonderful idea; Supervisor Macko will reach out to Community Partners and the Rotary.

Councilman Rauf followed up on past discussion to acquire a computer for the Highway Department. Supervisor Macko reported one quote from BAS has been obtained, for \$1,700. This includes the computer, printer, and 2 hours of labor. Discussion followed. Councilman Rauf stated he wanted the Highway Superintendent to have appropriate equipment to use.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve a maximum expenditure of \$1,700 to purchase and install a computer and printer if needed in the Highway Superintendent’s office.

Carried 5 ayes

Councilman Bensen feels strongly that a laser printer should be obtained, not an ink jet printer. No motion made to this effect, nor was the prior motion amended.

Councilman Richards inquired if Ms. Hamilton had any follow up details on the required annual trainings. Discussion followed. Online individual training is an option which will be pursued; Councilman Rauf requested the training be completed by October 1, 2020.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to pay the following monthly bills:

- Bills 198 – 232 on General abstract #6 for \$20,718.38
- Bills 95 – 104 on Highway abstract #6 for \$5,608.89
- Bills 54 – 58 on Sewer abstract #6 for \$4,788.95
- Bills 60 – 68 on Water abstract #6 for \$3,087.10
- Bill 2 on Pioneer Building abstract #2 for \$625.00

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Rauf made a motion to accept the Supervisor’s reports for May 2020, seconded by Mr. Bensen.

Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business, Mr. Macko moved to adjourn at 7:59 pm.

_____ Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

_____ SUPERVISOR MACKO

_____ MR. BEAR

_____ MR. BENSEN

_____ MR. RAUF

_____ MR. RICHARDS