

**November 16, 2020**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, November 16, 2020, at 7:00 pm in Pioneer Hall. The audio teleconference format was in use as well for those who wished to observe in that way. As required for remote meetings, in full compliance with open meeting laws throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, full audio file and text transcription are available upon request.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko  
Councilman Richard Bear  
Councilman John Bensen

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Department Heads: Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh  
Water Superintendent P. Leroy Bear

Other: Maintenance employee Alex Johnk *arrived at 7:31 pm*  
Greene County District #4 Legislator Greg Davis *arrived at 7:43 pm*  
Guests Mr. and Mrs. Vannucci and Ms. Anita Zibura

Present via teleconference: Attorney Tal Rappleyea, Councilman Joel Rauf, Councilman Travis Richards, Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, Maintenance Supervisor Renee Hamilton, and Planning Board Chair and Historian Don Teator.

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bear moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of October 19, 2020, seconded by Mr. Bensen.  
Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bear moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of November 4, 2020, seconded by Mr. Rauf.  
Carried 5 ayes

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

**Greenville Rescue Squad** ~ no reports received.

**Highway Department** ~ Superintendent Dudley provided an oral report on work completed in the past month. Supervisor Macko reported that he ordered 6 LED, solar-powered street lights for the salt barn, to provide lighting at that site for safety. The total cost being \$912.64, he believes electric couldn't be run for that price.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve this expenditure for lights at the highway's salt barn for safety.

Carried 5 ayes

**Building and Grounds** ~ Oral and written reports received from Maintenance Supervisor Hamilton; no motions made.

**Code Enforcement** ~ Oral and written reports received from CEO Mark Overbaugh; no motions made. *Left the meeting after offering his report.*

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

**Water** ~ Water Superintendent Bear offered oral and written reports; no motions made.

**Recycling** ~ Supervisor Macko noted the recycling center has been very busy, more so since the Town of Cairo has closed down its own transfer station. Reported that last Wednesday, on Veteran's Day, dozens of cars were lined up down the road and, despite the site being closed for the legal holiday, people drove around the closed gate and dumped their garbage bags without paying for the service. Lengthy discussion followed, regarding fairness and the cost of having a transfer station, and of keeping it open on holidays. Councilmen Bear and Bensen feel strongly that full hours should be restored as soon as possible. No motions made at this time.

**Assessing** ~ no reports received.

**Planning Board** ~ Chair Donald Teator provided an oral and written report. He requested the Board review both the electronic lighting/signage within our Zoning Law, as well as the Subdivision Ordinance.

**Dog Control** ~ no reports received.

**Clerk/Tax** ~ written reports provided.

**New business discussed at 7:20 pm:**

Supervisor Macko introduced the 2021 Greene EMS contract, which provides paramedic coverage in town. He noted it was within \$21-22 of last year's contract.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve this 2021 Greene EMS contract.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko relayed information received from Catskill Mountain Housing Development Corporation regarding an income-guided mobile home replacement program. Call Town Hall for further information.

Annually, any unpaid water or sewer rents are submitted back to Greene County to be levied onto the next property tax bill.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to approve the attached 2021 Certification of Relevies, Delinquencies, Charges or Fees for water and sewer rents, in the amount of \$9,111.02.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko requested an amended motion be made from last month's meeting to replace 3 computers, not just 2. The Bookkeeper's computer is graded worse than the Water/Buildings & Grounds, per BAS, and should have been included in last month's motion.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to add the 3<sup>rd</sup> computer replacement into the motion, to purchase 3 new computers from BAS/Edmunds.

Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko would like to set up Board meetings to review draft employee manuals with the goal of creating one for the Town of Greenville. Clerk Park suggested, instead of during a public meeting reading line by line of several drafts, to have the established committee review samples and make edits, to bring forward to a public meeting. Supervisor Macko asked the Board to begin a review and this will be further discussed at the December meeting.

Supervisor Macko discussed a letter which had been included in the Board packet from the Health Officer, and stated we needed to tighten things up a bit. This writer had nothing additional to add to his comments, outside of what was communicated in the letter.

**Supervisor Macko opened the meeting for public comments and questions at 7:30 pm:**

*Maintenance employee Alex Johnk arrived at 7:31 pm*

Residents on East Red Mill Road had many questions about the proposed solar project there; after a lengthy discussion, it was agreed they would meet with the Planning Board Chair and Clerk and Supervisor Macko at another time to further allow their concerns be addressed.

*Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh returned at 7:36 pm  
Legislator Greg Davis arrived at 7:43 pm*

Questions were asked about residents who still remain unconnected to the public sewer system, as well as regarding work on the sidewalks.

Greene County Legislator Greg Davis offered a verbal report. Discussion continued regarding renewable energy and fossil fuels, the Greene County Board of Health, and Covid-19.

The audit of bills occurred; after audit, Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to pay the following bills:

- Bills 402 – 440 on General abstract #11 for \$54,065.51
- Bills 176 – 188 on Highway abstract #11 for \$44,720.20
- Bills 107 – 116 on Sewer abstract #11 for \$7,753.46
- Bills 90, & 118 – 128 on Water abstract #11 for \$15,674.35
- Bills 9 – 10 on Windows & Sidewalk Project abstract #5 for \$3,562.50

Carried 3 ayes (not audited by those present via teleconference)

After review, Mr. Bensen made a motion to accept the Supervisor’s report for October, seconded by Mr. Bear. Carried 3 ayes (not audited by those present via teleconference)

There being no further business, Mr. Macko moved to adjourn at 8:07 pm.

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Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

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