

September 20, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, September 20, 2021, at 7:10 pm in person at Pioneer Town Hall. Availability via an audio teleconference unfortunately did not occur, as we were all unaware the town attorney would not be present to manage it.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko
Councilman Richard Bear
Councilman John Bensen *arrived at 7:09 pm*
Councilman Joel Rauf

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Department Heads: Greenville Rescue Squad Chief of Operations Matthew Marlow
Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh
Water Superintendent P. Leroy Bear
Planning Board Chair and Historian Don Teator

Other: Greene County District #4 Legislator Greg Davis
and 8 guests.

Absent: Councilman Travis Richards
Attorney Tal Rapplelea

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bear moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of August 16, 2021, seconded by Mr. Bensen.
Carried 4 ayes

Monthly department reports:

Greenville Rescue Squad ~ Chief of Operations Matthew Marlow provided an oral and written report; no motions made at this time. He informed all present that the Greenville Rescue Squad would be at the Greenville Day festivities this weekend, and would be offering education as well as first aid.

Highway Department ~ Superintendent Dudley provided an oral & written report; no motions made.

Building and Grounds ~ Maintenance Supervisor Hamilton provided a written report which Supervisor Macko read. He addressed the estimates received to connect the library to the public sewer; they ranged from \$3,200 - \$13,000. As it is a project involving approximately 24 feet of digging only, he recommended we do the work ourselves. Highway Superintendent Dudley agreed the work could be done with our manpower and equipment. CEO Overbaugh reminded all that it still required his inspection when complete.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to do this connection in-house.
Carried 4 ayes

Code Enforcement ~ Oral & written reports received from CEO Mark Overbaugh; no motions made.

Sewer ~ Supervisor Macko noted that Tech Industries may start the extension work this fall; stated he was still waiting for some easements to be returned and that he would be knocking on doors this weekend to answer questions and try to resolve this issue.

Water ~ An oral report was offered by Water Superintendent Bear along with written logs; no motions made. He asked for follow up on the ARPA money and if any had been allocated to the needs of the Water Department; Supervisor Macko said that the electronic controls are a priority.

Recycling ~ Councilman Bear said the plant was “pretty good”.

Assessing ~ Written report from Assessor Bennett read by Supervisor Macko; no motions made.

Planning Board ~ Planning Board Chair Donald Teator provided an oral & written report; no motions made.

Zoning Board of Appeals ~ Supervisor Macko reported that the last ZBA meeting was cancelled because the wrong date was posted. It has been rescheduled for October 20th, per Ms. Michelle Clark.

Dog Control ~ no report received from DCO Case.

Beautification Committee ~ Supervisor Macko reported the duck auction will occur this weekend.

Clerk/Tax ~Written reports provided by Clerk-Collector Park.

Greene County Legislature ~ Legislator Greg Davis provided an oral report: Covid cases within the County are “terrible” and one quarter to one third of the positive cases are occurring in vaccinated individuals. Noted there is consideration in NYS for public health workers, as a requirement of employment, be vaccinated or be fired ~ which he said he would never support. Also reported on New York’s landfill crisis, and that plastics recycling is “a joke”.

New business discussed at 7:33 pm:

Concerned residents on Turon Road and Irving Road have contacted Supervisor Macko asking that a speed limit evaluation be conducted.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to request the DOT conduct a speed evaluation on Turon Road between CR 26 and Irving Road, as well as on Irving Road between SR 32 and CR 37; resolution attached. Carried 4 ayes

A liquor license application’s 30 day advanced notice to municipality was received by The Tasting Lab, LLC, at 4856 State Route 81. No communications were received by this Clerk regarding this application.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Rauf, to accept the resolution authorizing the sale of alcoholic beverages at The Tasting Lab, and does express a favorable opinion; resolution attached. Carried 4 ayes

Supervisor Macko relayed notice of a 30 day period for public request for inclusion in Agricultural District No. 124, which allows landowners an opportunity to request inclusion within this agricultural district. The time period for this is between October 1 – 30, 2021.

As the sidewalk project is not complete, and the Bond is due tomorrow (9/21/2021), Supervisor Macko advises the town pay the required interest and extend this bond one additional year.

Mr. Bensen moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, to pay the interest of \$3,510.22 and extend the Bond for one year. Carried 4 ayes

An appropriation and transfer of funds is advised as the Pioneer roof work was completed without borrowing money and the buildings and grounds line is very low.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to transfer funds from the General Fund balance in to the Buildings and Grounds line 1620.4 in the amount of \$50,000; resolution attached.

Carried 4 ayes

Supervisor Macko reported ARPA (Covid money) funding in the amount of \$182,666.11 has come in, and the same will come next summer.

Budget workshops need to be scheduled:

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to conduct a budget workshop on Monday, October 4, 2021 and on Monday, October 18, 2021, both at 6:00 pm in Pioneer Town Hall.

Carried 4 ayes

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bear, that all department heads must be in attendance at the budget workshops. (Supervisor Macko will send notification to all departments)

Carried 4 ayes

Supervisor Macko relayed information on estimates obtained to purchase a compact diesel tractor to manage the sidewalks this winter. Many had been compiled and the prices varied greatly.

Mr. Rauf moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to table this until the next meeting as the department head was not in attendance.

Carried 4 ayes

At 7:50 pm, this meeting was opened for public comments or questions:

Water Superintendent Leroy Bear asked if the sidewalk work planned in front of the church would interfere with Greenville Day, as work was to begin on Tuesday (9/21). Supervisor Macko said there was nothing planned at Prevost Hall or the Boy Scout Building, so no, it would be fine. Further discussion on Greenville Day activities occurred.

Also discussed the battered flag at Locust Cemetery (which will be corrected when a bucket truck is available), the care of stones after mowing at cemeteries (which Supervisor Macko said he would have the clippings blown off the headstones and markers after mowing), and the ongoing issue related to the broken concrete at the Recycling Center, which is a safety issue (Supervisor Macko pondered if we should do it ourselves, and stated, "One way or another, we'll get it done").

Legislator Greg Davis offered that another 0% tax increase for County taxes was planned for 2022.

Highway Superintendent Dudley reported on an expected \$326,000 in CHIPS money, which should cover paving and shoulder work this year. He is considering adding double yellow lines on all town roads, which would cost \$400 per mile. Supervisor Macko asked him about progress on the pole barn behind the highway garage. Prices have been locked in and quotes received for 2 doors (20' x 13') and 2 openers, as well as for spray foam insulation. Supervisor Macko asked the Board if a motion should be made now to spend up to \$40,000 in reserve funding for this?

Mr. Bear moved to get the spray foam done and doors ordered; motion not seconded. Water Superintendent Bear asked if this shouldn't be put to bid, per our Procurement Policy. Discussion followed.

Mr. Rauf moved to table this issue until October 4th, to allow Mike Dudley time to get a 3rd estimate as well as to leave time to consult with Attorney Rappleyea, seconded by Mr. Bensen.

Carried 4 ayes

After audit of the monthly bills at 8:12 pm;

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

- Bills 341 – 386 on General abstract #9 for \$90,129.14
 - Bills 136 – 154 on Highway abstract #9 for \$372,226.56
 - Bills 90 – 100 on Sewer abstract #9 for \$6,802.11
 - Bills 93 – 99 on Water abstract #9 for \$5,340.53
 - Bill 2 on Sidewalk and Window escrow #2 for \$25,377.78
- Carried 4 ayes

After prior review, Mr. Rauf made a motion to accept the Supervisor’s report for August, seconded by Mr. Bear. Carried 4 ayes

There being no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm. Carried 4 ayes

Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

SUPERVISOR MACKO

MR. BEAR

MR. BENSEN

MR. RAUF