

**November 15, 2021**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, November 15, 2021, at 7:00 pm in person at Pioneer Town Hall.

Present: Supervisor Paul Macko  
Councilman Richard Bear  
Councilman John Bensen  
Councilman Joel Rauf  
Councilman Travis Richards *arrived at 7:04 pm*

Recording Secretary: Clerk-Collector Jackie Park

Attorney: Tal Rappleyea

Department Heads: Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley  
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh  
Water Superintendent P. Leroy Bear  
Maintenance Supervisor Renee Hamilton  
Planning Board Chair and Historian Don Teator

Other: Delaware Engineering representative Travis Smigel *arrived at 7:18 pm*  
and 11 guests.

Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bear moved to accept the Clerk's minutes of October 18<sup>th</sup> and November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, seconded by Mr. Rauf. Carried 4 ayes; 1 delayed

**Monthly department reports:**

**Greenville Rescue Squad** ~ Supervisor Macko read Chief of Operations Matthew Marlow's written report; no motions made at this time.

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

**Building and Grounds** ~ Maintenance Supervisor Hamilton provided an oral and written report; no motions made.

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

**Sewer** ~ Supervisor Macko noted some issues due to heavy rain, all which were managed; no motions made.

**Water** ~ An oral report was offered by Water Superintendent Bear along with written logs; no motions made. When Travis Smigel arrived and elaborated on certain hydrant issues, he agreed to reach out to see if this could be replaced as part of the ongoing project.

**Recycling** ~ Councilman Bear said that everything looks good up there.

**Assessing** ~ Written report from Assessor Bennett read by Supervisor Macko; no motions made. Councilman Bear indicated he'd like a letter sent to Mr. Bennett requiring his presence at the meetings; Supervisor Macko noted the Organizational Resolutions required oral or written reports and we could readdress this in January.

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

**Dog Control** ~ no report received from DCO Case.

**Beautification Committee** ~ Supervisor Macko read a letter from member Barbara Walter reserving the gazebo for another summer concert series in 2022; a letter from Rotary member Deborah Smith addressed the annual November tree-lighting ceremony; Supervisor Macko hinted towards a big announcement coming soon about pavilion construction at Vanderbilt Park ~ more information will follow in the coming weeks.

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

**Greene County Legislature** ~ Supervisor Macko read Legislator Greg Davis' written report.

**New business discussed at 7:28 pm:**

A resolution which was touched upon at the last meeting regarding changes to the Town's Procurement Policy was read by Supervisor Macko. Attorney Rappleyea noted our policy was very old and our levels were approximately half the standard levels of New York State. This updated resolution will bring us to consistent levels with those of NYS.

Mr. Rauf moved to accept this resolution, attached, seconded by Mr. Bensen.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Leroy Bear then noted that he feels this resolution leaves a gap in the guidelines; feels adjustments are needed in the entire policy. Discussion continued;

Mr. Rauf then moved to amend the proposal to add terminology to cover section 3 to increase the procurement from \$3,000 - \$10,000, as noted in section 3; discussion continued;

Mr. Rauf moved to table this until the December meeting when the proposal can be rewritten and properly addressed, seconded by Mr. Richards.

Carried 5 ayes.

Structural issues at the wastewater treatment plant were discussed at the last meeting, related to the trusses, as well as major ventilation work that is needed. Supervisor Macko stated that all indications say we can use ARPA money for this work. Delaware Engineering's letter noted that the roof is not currently structurally sound in all conditions. The estimated repair cost is \$70,000 - \$80,000, and could be awarded as an emergency bid.

Mr. Bear moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to get on this as soon as possible and to declare it as an emergency to get it done, in an amount not to exceed \$78,000.

Carried 5 ayes

Historian Don Teator and Mr. Garth Bryant addressed replacement of 4 historical markers in the Town of Greenville. Based on a 1795 map of the original settlers in town, there are 4 markers which are incorrectly sited. They are asking for the town's approval and support in replacing them, and in the longstanding tradition of maintaining these signs. The Town Councilmen volunteered their equipment and time and hope to start this in the springtime.

Supervisor Macko addressed the need for additional security cameras to be placed in Vanderbilt Park, specifically near the Dog Park, and near the Food Pantry site. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Richards moved, seconded by Mr. Bensen, to expend a maximum of \$500 for two additional cameras and a Wi-Fi extender for this purpose.

Carried 5 ayes

Ms. Hamilton asked the Board to move to specifically allow her to deny the public access to the video footage of incidents which have occurred. It was determined that she should refer people who ask to the proper authorities, i.e. the Sheriff's Office, as minors are involved, these are active investigations, and it's the law. No motion is needed to deny this request.

Supervisor Macko addressed a notice to residents about an abandoned vehicle policy. Discussion followed. Clerk-Collector Park reminded the Board that a motion was actually made last month to adopt this, and it has been on the website since the week following its adoption.

Further information about the cannabis opt-out requirements has been received; Supervisor Macko said he would forward it to the committee.

Supervisor Macko requested a motion to enter executive session; Councilman Rauf pointed out as a point of order that the meeting should first be opened to the public.

**At 8:09 pm, this meeting was opened for public comments or questions:**

Mr. Rob Kosich thanked everyone for their review of issues at Circle Drive, and asked for follow up information and for the Town’s position on this issue. Attorney Rapplelea noted we are awaiting a Title Search on the properties involved, and when the report comes in we will know what we can and can’t do. At present, ownership of Circle Drive is in question. He stated if the area in question is not owned by the Town of Greenville, it is strictly a neighbor issue. Code Enforcement Officer Mark Overbaugh reported he told both parties verbally to stop all work, and that permission to work cannot be granted to anyone until we know who the owner is.

Mr. Rauf moved to enter executive session at 8:33 pm, seconded by Mr. Richards, to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person/corp, or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, discipline, demotion, or suspension, as well as proposed, pending or current litigation. Mr. Leroy Bear was invited to participate.

Carried 5 ayes

Mr. Bear moved to return to regular session at 8:58 pm, seconded by Mr. Rauf. Carried 5 ayes

*No motions were made in executive session.*

After audit of the monthly bills at 9:00 pm;

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

- Bills 430 – 467 on General abstract #11 for \$23,973.34
- Bills 174 – 189 on Highway abstract #11 for \$13,818.43
- Bills 111 – 123 on Sewer abstract #11 for \$13,552.34
- Bills 112 – 119 on Water abstract #11 for \$3,444.56
- Bill 4 on Sidewalk escrow #4 for \$78,022.20

Carried 5 ayes

After prior review, Mr. Richards made a motion to accept the Supervisor’s report for October, seconded by Mr. Bensen. Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.

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Jackie Park, Town Clerk-Collector

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