

Town of Greenville

TOWN BOARD MEETING

October 17th, 2022 7:00pm

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, October 17th, 2022 at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Hall. Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm.

All members of the Board were present. Attorney Tal Rappleyea was present, as well as, department Heads: Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, Water Superintendent Leroy Bear, Deputy Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton, Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald, CEO Mark Overbaugh, Planning Board Chair/Town Historian Don Teator were present. Additionally, District #4 County Legislator Greg Davis was present along with 17 other guests.

Supervisor Macko requested that the meeting deviate from the agenda to allow two Eagle Scout project presentations be brought before the Board.

Ellis Snyder gave an update to his proposed Eagle Scout project at the Town Food Pantry. He presented the Board with three different sign design options and discussed the idea of shifting the location of the sign a little so it can be seen better. Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald will help him place the sign as needed after Water Superintendent Leroy Bear confirms that is safe to place there. The Board supported Mr. Paul Augstein's choice for the sign design.

Andrew Hagan presented the Board with his proposed Eagle Scout project of improving the Gayhead Cemetery. The project includes some tree removal/trimming and maintenance, cleaning headstones and upgrading signage to highlight people of significance who are buried there. He is hoping to start before winter. *Councilman Bensen moved, seconded by Councilman Richards that the Board supports Andrew Hagan's Eagle Scout project of improving the Gayhead Cemetery. Carried 5 ayes*

Meeting Minutes from: the September 19th, 2022 monthly meeting and the October 3rd, 2022 special meeting: budget workshop (1) were put up for approval. *Councilman Bear moved, seconded by Councilman Bensen to approve the minutes from the September 2022 monthly meeting, as well as, the October 3rd, 2022 budget workshop. Carried 5 ayes*

Old Business

Monthly department reports were given for Rescue, Highway, Building and Grounds, Code Enforcement, Sewer, Water, Recycling, Assessor, Planning Board, Beautification.

Rescue – Cliff Powell Sr. read the monthly call report aloud. No further discussion was had.

Highway – Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley reported that the highway department has been focusing on ditching and brush maintenance on Waldron Road, as well as some blacktop patching/filling. They swept Town Park Road for Greenville Days and spent some time cleaning up the area down by the salt barn. The highway department has hauled about 100 loads of dirt to the low spot in the town park to help level it out. Callanan came and paved Red Mill and Plattekill Road. Plattekill Road was in such

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rough shape that it required more blacktop than originally planned and caused us to run out before we could pave Vly Road.

Building & Grounds – Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald reported that maintenance had been busy helping to setup for Greenville Days and pond dredging preparation. They have also painted in the courtroom and installed the handrail by the court entrance. At the library they fixed ceiling tiles, addressed the furnace room and bathroom troubles. They also got the heat on at the scout building.

Code Enforcement – CEO Mark Overbaugh read his building permit report and thanked Maintenance Supervisor Tim for getting the handrail installed.

Sewer – Deputy Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton reported that the sewer plant was running as well as it could be without a computer and they are hoping to get the computer back soon.

Water – Water Superintendent Leroy Bear read out the water usage reports for the month and requested that the Board take into consideration repairing the current chlorine pump to be more cost effective instead of replacing it. *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to repair the existing chlorine pump for \$1826.28 which falls under the limits of the procurement policy. Carried 5 ayes*

Deputy Water Superintendent has made contact for quotes on new water and sewer billing software.

Assessor – Supervisor Macko read the report provided by the Assessor's office stating that all exemption renewal applications will be mailed out by December.

Planning Board – Planning Board Chair Don Teator reported that there was only one item on the October PB meeting. They had to re-approve an altered lot line because it was not submitted to the County in time when it was initially approved last year.

Dog Control – Town Clerk-Collector Jessica Lewis mentioned that there has been a decrease in the revenue regarding dog licensing in the past few years. The last dog census that was conducted was in 2011. *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to conduct a dog census beginning in January 2023. Carried 5 ayes*

Beautification – Barbara Walter reported that the NY Forward grant was submitted and there is a tour scheduled with Economic Development to see the business district and discuss the potential projects to be funded by the grant. Barbara also said that she would like to assist the Board in developing a strategic investment plan to help with grants such as NY Forward and others that may become available.

New Business

Teamsters Contract – Supervisor Macko read a memo received from Elayne Gold that recommended accepting the agreement as presented. Supervisor Macko mentioned that this would align with the

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Town's goal of attracting and retaining employees. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Richards to accept the tentative teamsters contract. Carried 5 ayes*

Change Order – Delaware Engineering has submitted a change order for the dredging that was done on the opposite side of 32 of the pond. This was not included in the original bid as DEC was going to take care of it, however since there was already work happening on the pond they permitted the Town to have their contractor address this instead. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Richards to approve the change order for \$7,500.00 to dredge the inlet to the pond per DEC approval. Carried 5 ayes*

Water Rate Increase – Supervisor Macko expressed his concern regarding the Town's reserves being depleted because they have not been increasing the water rate to change with the times. Water Superintendent Leroy Bear pointed out that the last water rate increase was in 2006. This discussion has been tabled as there is more research to be done on how much the rate increase should be for.

Preliminary Budget – *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to schedule a public hearing to adopt the 2023 Preliminary Budget at Town Hall on November 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm. Carried 5 ayes*

New Mower – Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald presented quotes to the Board for a new mower. A lot of discussion was had about the pros and cons of each mower presented. *Councilman Von Atzingen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to purchase the Cub Cadet Pro Z 960 L from Greene County Power Equipment for \$10,559.20 to be paid for with ARPA money. Councilman Bensen recused himself. Carried 4 ayes*

Greenville Day – Will Bardel expressed his appreciation to the Board for their help and support leading up to and during Greenville Days. He noted that there was an estimated five thousand attendees and that he has received a lot of positive feedback from the public.

Old Timer X-Mas Party – Supervisor Macko floated the idea of holding off on the Old Timer Christmas Party and hosting it in the summer at the new pavilion to keep people comfortable and more socially distanced.

New Fountain – Tom Vance dropped off a flyer for an aerator fountain that would go in to the pond. The Tasting Lab and Greenville Rotary has been fundraising and requests the Board's permission to purchase this aerating fountain to go in the pond at no cost to the Town. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear that the fountain may be purchased and put in the pond in town at no cost to the Town. Carried 5 ayes*

ARPA Committee – *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to appoint Councilman Von Atzingen to the ARPA Committee. Carried 5 ayes*

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Executive Session – Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to invite Rescue Squad representation to go in to executive session to discuss the proposed acquisition/sale/lease of real property when publicity might affect value. Carried 5 ayes

Regular Session – At 8:37pm Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to go into regular session to pay bills. Carried 5 ayes

Audit of Monthly Bills –

Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to pay the following bills:

- Bills 372-412 on General Abstract #10 for \$34,834.86
- Bills 94-106 on Sewer Abstract #10 for \$147,657.09
- Bills 152-174 on Highway Abstract #10 for \$32,394.83
- Bills 93-107 on Water Abstract #10 for \$115,151.11
- Bill 10 on Greenville Lighting II Abstract #10 for \$285.83
- Bill 10 on Greenville Lighting I Abstract #10 for \$734.01
- Bill 7 on Freehold Solar Abstract #10 for \$1,627.50
- Bill 10 on Freehold Lighting Abstract #10 for \$658.58
- Bills 3-5 on Sidewalk & Window Abstract #10 for \$357,691.65
- Bill 7 on ARPA Abstract #10 for \$16,100.00

Carried 5 ayes

There being no further business this meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Jessica K. Lewis, Town Clerk-Collector

Supervisor Macko

Councilman Bear

Councilman Richards

Councilman Bensen

Councilman William J. Von Atzingen