TOWN BOARD MEETING May 15th, 2023 7:00pm

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on May 15, 2023 at 7:00pm at Pioneer Hall. This meeting was accessible via teleconference as well. Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance Supervisor Macko lead the meeting in a moment of silence to honor Fred Smith and Frank Tiberi, briefly citing some of their involvement in our community.

Three Board members were present. Councilman Richards and Councilman Bensen were absent. Attorney Tal Rappleyea was present along with department heads: Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, CEO Mark Overbaugh, Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald and Planning Board Chair/Town Historian Don Teator. There were 9 other in person guests and no teleconference attendees.

**Meeting minutes** – Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to approve them meetings minutes from the Monthly Meeting held on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the minutes from the blacktop bid opening held on May 2, 2023. Carried 3 ayes

#### **Old Business**

**Highway** – Superintendent Mike Dudley read the monthly report attached. Discussion was had about the current speed limits on Elm Lane. There have been several remarks/complaints from residents on Elm Lane. *The following resolution was offered:* 

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#### RESOLUTION REQUESTING SPEED LIMITS

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Greenville has received complaints from residents concerned about excessive speed and unsafe travel along town, county and state highways within the Town and,

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation has jurisdiction over traffic regulation on town, county and state highways and,

WHEREAS, unless the appropriate governmental body takes action, the statewide mandated enforceable speed limit of 55MPH shall continue to apply to all roads.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Greenville hereby requests the NYS DOT conduct traffic surveys of Elm Lane from Maple Avenue to the Albany County line, to facilitate in the lowering of the existing speed limits.

Resolution offered by Councilman Bear, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen, and carried.

VOTING:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT/OTHER
SUPERVISOR MACKO	X		
COUNCILMAN BEAR	X		
COUNCILMAN BENSEN			X
COUNCILMAN RICHARDS			X
COUNCILMAN VONATZINGEN	X		

**Building & Grounds** – Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald reported that the maintenance crew: worked on the baseball fields, put algae balls in both of the town ponds, hung up the flags at the gazebo and in Freehold, setup the North Barn for reservations, got lumber for library repairs to be completed, regular mowing, and helped with the trail clean up day that Community Partners organizes. There were some residents of town that attended this meeting and praised the maintenance crew stating that they were doing a wonderful job and that town has not looked this good in years.

Code Enforcement – CEO Mark Overbaugh read the monthly permit and inspection report. (attached)

**Sewer** – Supervisor Macko reported that things seems to be running smoothly noting that there is excess ground water.

**Water** – No water reports were submitted and Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton was not present at this meeting. Supervisor Macko mentioned that there has been a lot of dissatisfaction expressed by the Board and the public regarding the lack of progress with the Capitol Project. Supervisor Macko will be reaching out to schedule another contractors' meeting.

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**Recycling** – Councilman Bear reported that recycling center is running well.

**Planning Board** – Don Teator thanked Mr. Macko for being part supervisor, part historian. Mr. Teator then read the monthly Planning Board report (attached).

**Dog** – Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to schedule a special meeting for a dog law workshop on May 30, 2023 at 6:00pm. Carried 3 ayes

**Beautification** – Barbara Walter brought up the previously applied for NY Forward Grant. In the grant a digitalized sign at Town Hall was mentioned. There is a separate grant opportunity for building rural communities that may assist in the cost of upgrading the sign at Town Hall to one that is digitalized. There is a stipulation to qualify for the grant that says the sign must also be used for community events. Letters of support from community groups and other community leaders would need to be obtained as well. *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to pursue applying for the grant. Carried 3 ayes* 

The North Barn has received many compliments during the Art Show. Barbara also mentioned that the fountain in the pond looks good and expressed appreciation to the Town for allocating the necessary ARPA funding to install the electricity upgrades. A thank you note was also sent to Tom Vance at the Tasting Lab and to Rotary for their fundraising efforts for the fountain.

#### **New Business**

**Blacktop Bids** – On April  $22^{nd}$ , 2023 Blacktop bids were advertised in the Catskill Daily Mail. They were initially scheduled to be opened on May 1, 2023 at 6:00pm but recording clerk was unavailable. Bid opening was held on May  $2^{nd}$ , 2023 at 10:10am at Pioneer Hall. The bids received were as follows:

A.Colarusso & Son Inc. -- \$89/ton Peckham Road Corp -- \$105/ton Callanan Industries -- \$87.50/ton

Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley stated that the County blacktop bids are being putting up for approval on May 17, 2023. Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to refuse the three bids that the Town received and piggyback off of the County's \$83.26/ton bid received by Callanan pending County approval. Carried 3 ayes

**Re-Key North Barn** – There was discussion had about the quantity of keys that are held outside of Town Hall for the North Barn. The Board also mentioned that with the hiring of an Event/Planner Coordinator there is the opportunity to implement a more secure and efficient method of reserving Town properties. Councilman VonAtzingen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to re-key the North Barn at Vanderbilt Park. Carried 3 ayes

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Moratorium on Permit Fees — CEO Mark Overbaugh brought to the attention of the Board that the moratorium on permit fees for property owners who have not yet connected to the municipal sewer system has expired. Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to extend the moratorium on permit fees as established and charge \$100 for residential and \$250 for commercial parcels for property owners not yet connected to the municipal sewer system through December 1, 2024. Carried 3 ayes

**Town Wide Yard Sale** – Supervisor Macko read a reminder to sign up for the Town Wide Yard Sale by June 2<sup>nd</sup> to be put on the map for the event being held on June 9-11.

**CPOG Agreement** – Supervisor Macko and representation from Community Partners have been working together to find a solution for the continuation of Greenville Day and events alike. At this time CPOG can no longer be the organizer of Greenville Day as they cannot afford the insurance requirements as a 501c3. The Town Clerk requested information from the Town's insurance agent of the costs for insurance coverage for Greenville Day with the Town as the host (instead of co-sponsoring as they have in previous years). Councilman VonAtzingen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear for Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea to draft an agreement with the Town of Greenville and Greenville Citizens Park Committee DBA Community Partners of Greenville as a contractor to assist in Greenville Day logistics, planning and event assistance. Carried 3 ayes

The event itself requires a lot of attention and effort therefore the Town sees the need to create a parttime position to manage Greenville Day and any other Town sponsored events.

**Event Planner/Coordinator** – CPOG worked with Supervisor Macko to generate a job description (attached). This is an evolving position as it is new to the Town and subject to change/adjustments. Councilman Bear and Town Clerk Jessica Lewis volunteered to sit on the interviews for this position along with Will Bardel and Bill VonAtzingen of CPOG. *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to approve creating a part-time Event Planner/Coordinator position. Carried 3 ayes* 

Roofing Bids – Barbara Walter reminded the Board that the remaining ARPA money needs to be spent as there is concern that the Federal Government is going to ask for it to be returned if it is not allocated to a project or already spent. Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to solicit bids for (1) the North Barn roof and (2) Prevost Hall roof repairs and coating. Bids to be opened on June 12, 2023 at 10:00am at Pioneer Hall. Carried 3 ayes

Bill VonAtzingen reported that the structural study of Prevost Hall will hopefully be conducted the first week of June, weather permitting.

**Sewer Cheat Sheet** – Residents in proximity of the sewer district request that a spec sheet/cheat sheet be provided to them for when it comes time to hook up. This will help save potential time and money

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when taxpayers are working with contractors to hook up. The Board said that this should not be an issue and Delaware Engineering will help to provide it.

**Bills** – Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to pay the following bills:

Bills 184-219 on General Abstract #5 for \$40,059.48
Bills 86-100 on Highway Abstract #5 for \$30,456.25
Bills 50-60 on Sewer Abstract #5 for \$12,395.04
Bills 52-58 on Water Abstract #5 for \$12,410.58
Bill 5 on Greenville Lighting I Abstract #5 for \$715.07
Bill 5 on Greenville Lighting II Abstract #5 for \$275.14
Bill 5 on Freehold Lighting Abstract #5 for \$629.65
Bills 12-15 on ARPA Abstract #5 for \$6,777.08

There being no further new business this meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.

Jessica K. Lewis, Town Clerk-Collector
Supervisor Macko
Councilman Bear
Councilman Von Atzingen