

## **Regular Town Board Meeting**

### **July 23, 2024**

Deputy Supervisor Tremper opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 5 PM.

**Roll Call:** Deputy Supervisor Tremper, Councilman Cook, Councilwoman Jacot, Highway Superintendent Hart, Maintenance Supervisor Ryan Jacot, Town Clerk Maguire  
**Absent:** Supervisor Votra, Councilman Demo, Code Enforcement Officer/Assessor Burl  
**Others Present:** Milton E. DeGraw, Legislator Rick Perkins, Madeline Pennington

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Jacot to table the minutes from the regular meeting on June 25, 2024, as submitted by the Town Clerk.  
*All in favor.*

#### **Legislator Report:**

Legislator Perkins read his report aloud from the St. Lawrence County Legislator meeting held on July 1, 2024. Councilman Cook asked about the financial status of the county. Legislator Perkins said that fiscally the county is in great shape compared to 10 years ago. Roads are being repaired, no loans are being made to balance the budget and taxes have been reduced. Councilman Cook also asked about the position of the Board of Legislators on solar panels being installed on prime farmland. Mr. Perkins said they are against solar panels being installed on any agricultural land at all. They have no jurisdiction or control over it, but they oppose it.

*A motion* was made by Deputy Supervisor Tremper and seconded by Councilman Cook to approve the report as given by Legislator Perkins.  
*All in favor.*

#### **Code Enforcement Officer Report:**

Code Enforcement Officer Report tabled.

#### **Assessor's Report:**

Assessor's Report tabled.

#### **Historian Report:**

Madeline Pennington reported the museum has received a hygrometer to monitor the humidity of the building from the JCAP grant program. The Historical Association will be doing fund raising on August 10<sup>th</sup> which is the garage sale weekend. There will be items available to bid on in a silent auction, quilts will be for sale at the museum and bread dough will be available to purchase at the Town Hall. The museum will also be open to the public from 9 am to 2 PM. Everyone is encouraged to come help support the museum. Ms. Pennington also informed everyone that the Historical President, JoAnn Zenger will conduct a private tour for anyone interested on Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Almanzo Wilder Farm in Malone NY. They should be there at 1 PM for the tour.

*A motion* was made by Deputy Supervisor Tremper and seconded by Councilwoman Jacot to approve the Historian report as given by Ms. Pennington.  
*All in favor.*

**Water District Report:**

Deputy Supervisor Tremper asked Maintenance Supervisor Ryan Jacot about the annual Water Hydrant and Valve Inspection Report that was presented at last month's meeting. Ms. Tremper asked Mr. Jacot to put it in his calendar to address some of minor issues that were noted.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Jacot to accept the Water District report as submitted by DANC and kept on file in the Town Clerk's Office.  
*All in favor.*

**Recreation Report:**

Maintenance Supervisor Ryan Jacot reported that the Summer Recreation Program is in full swing with approximately 60 attending. The Department of Heath came yesterday, and no violations were reported. The Vendor/Craft Fair that is held on Tuesdays is doing well with approximately 8 vendors each week.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman to accept the Recreation report as given by Maintenance Supervisor Ryan Jacot.  
*All in favor.*

**Recreation Committee Report (PARC)**

Deputy Supervisor Tremper stated that soccer is in full swing with age groups ranging from 3/4 to U18. There have been no complaints so far. There are a few kids from area towns attending because of the lack of programs in their townships.

*A motion* was made by Councilman Cook and Councilwoman Jacot to accept the PARC report as given by Deputy Supervisor Tremper.  
*All in favor.*

**Business:**

1. There is nothing new to report on the water main replacement on the Route 72 bridge.
2. Deputy Supervisor Tremper reported that the project is on hold at the old fire station. This is due to a change order by Atlantic Testing because more asbestos has been found.

**Correspondence:**

None

**Highway Report:**

Highway Superintendent Hart reported that the paving has been completed and the shoulders on the White Hill Road have been done as well. A tree was removed on the Sylvan Falls Road that was in the right of way. The check was received from Auctions International for the two trucks that were sold. Mowing has been done Councilman Cook

asked what the status of the cold storage building needed for the highway department was. Deputy Supervisor Tremper said she thought it was a project that was going to take place next year after the demolition of the old fire station this year.

**A motion** was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Jacot to accept the Highway report as given by Highway Superintendent Hart.

**All in favor.**

**Bills:**

**A motion** was made by Councilman Cook and seconded by Councilwoman Jacot to accept the bills as follows:

1. General Account Bills – \$21,130.02
2. Highway Account Bills – \$174,804.19
3. Water District No. 1 Bills - \$2,067.95
4. Payrolls:
  - Payroll 27 – 06/29/24 (General \$12,666.65, Highway \$8,648.88, Water \$494.40)
  - Payroll 28 – 07/06/24 (General \$ 8,521.66, Highway \$7,714.92, Water \$184.51)
  - Payroll 29 – 07/13/24 (General \$19,356.04, Highway \$7,517.49, Water \$ 91.23)
  - Payroll 30 – 07/20/24 (General \$15,983.41, Highway \$7,402.64, Water \$ 93.27)

**All in favor.**

**Privilege of the Floor:**

Milton DeGraw from the Parishville AMVETS said the purchase of the building on Rutman Road is still moving along at a slow pace since it is a nonprofit organization selling to another nonprofit organization. The building has been very busy with activities and the Ladies Auxiliary are doing a great job. Deputy Supervisor Tremper suggested that if they would share the activities with the Town Clerk, they could be included on our webpage of Facebook page.

**A motion** was made by Councilwoman Jacot and seconded by Deputy Supervisor Tremper to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 PM.

**All in favor.**

**Meeting Dates:**

**August 27, 2024 @ 5 PM**

**Auditors:** Councilwoman Tremper and Councilman Cook

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Connie Maguire  
Town Clerk