

**PRESENT:** Greg Reuter, Supervisor, Patty Bikowsky, Deputy Supervisor, Brad Dixon and Steve Johnson, Councilpersons; Tina Livermore, Town Clerk, and 8 guests.

Supervisor Greg Reuter opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA:** Patty Bikowsky made the motion seconded by Steve Johnson to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from the February 9, 2023 meeting were read by Town Clerk, Tina Livermore. Greg Reuter stated that one correction be made: the codes officer has not issued a demolition permit as he has sent papers but not received anything back. Brad Dixon made a motion seconded by Steve Johnson to accept the minutes as read with corrections.. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:** Supervisor’s Report: Highway Supt. Report: Town Clerk Report: Justice Reports: Dog Control Officer Report: Bookkeeper Report: Code Enforcer Report: Ambulance Report: Reports were presented and viewed by the Board. Greg Reuter stated that the codes officer has been busy, that he has not heard anything from the park director, Roy Kirley is keeping in touch with the guys at the town barn and that Alex Hughes is doing a good job. Trevor Snyder, dog control officer, submitted a written report.

Town Justice Don Haight reported that there is a need for a language interpreter in the court. Certified interpreters are expensive and hard to come by. Don stated that the most efficient and inexpensive way to handle language barriers is with “Language Line.” No equipment is necessary as they use speaker phones. The fee is \$.99 per minute when used, but if it is not used, there are no other fees. If payment is late, there will be a \$1.75 fee for late payment. Greg accepted the paperwork and said he would get back to him as soon as possible.

Diane VanSlyke, Historian, brought in a signature quilt that was dated circa 1855. A signature quilt was made for someone leaving that may not be seen again. Diane is also looking into getting a birth/record book digitized so that there will be a copy of the book. She also stated that the canal will be cleared from Bouckville Mill to Woodman’s Pond to allow for kayaks and canoes. She has had Colgate students in helping to clean and paint the Historical Society kitchen and bathrooms as well as to sort through scrapbooks. Greg Reuter has agreed to put a short notice on the history section of the town website for renting the historical building out for events.

Darren Ball reported that the Madison Ambulance transported 17 patients, had 2 refusals, and had 4 calls they could not cover this past month. There is no coverage on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights. Darren stated that policies and procedures, some 50+, have been sent to the State for approval. Steve Johnson said that the missing part of his report is the financial and asked if it could be presented, including money recouped from calls from insurance companies. Darren also asked that he and village officials be involved in any informative meetings. He said that he has reached out to the Oriskany Falls mayor to help in servicing their area and has not heard back.

Greg Reuter said that construction of the bridge in Solsville will begin this year and that there will be a meeting to brief the local population in 30 to 45 days.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Patty Bikowsky made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to approve the moratorium on transient rentals that was received by Attorney Getman. Motion carried. It will be established when the town attorney gets it approved by and back from the State.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Greg Reuter stated that no permit has been issued for demolition of the wind turbines on Stone Road. He has not received any information from them. Roy Kirley advised not starting in March as it is a bad time to have the large equipment on the roads and will ruin the substructure of the roads. Because of the use of explosives in demolition, special permits will be needed from the DEC. No further information has been forthcoming about the future plans of windmills.

A motion was made by Brad Dixon and seconded Steve Johnson to increase the Deputy codes office pay from \$20 to \$25. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC PRESENTATION:** Don Haight thanked the clerks for their help in getting settled in office at the building.

A motion was made by Patty Bikowsky and seconded by Brad Dixon to accept Resolution #23-01, the 2023 Salary Schedule. Motion carried. Resolution passed with 4 yes and 0 no votes.

A motion was made by Steve Johnson and seconded by Patty Bikowsky to accept Resolution #23-02, 2023 Appointments and Designations. Motion carried. Resolution passed with 4 yes and 0 no votes.

A motion was made by Patty Bikowsky and seconded by Brad Dixon to accept Resolution #23-03, accept the audit and authorize the Supervisor to sign and file the audit with The Office of Court Administration. Motion carried. Resolution # passed with 4 yes, 0 no votes.

A motion was made by Brad Dixon and seconded by Steve Johnson to accept Resolution #23-04, approve the pay increase for Deputy Codes Officer Mark Bradbury from \$20 to \$25 per hour. Motion carried. Resolution #23-04 passed with 4 yes, 0 no votes.

A motion was made by Steve Johnson and seconded by Brad Dixon to approve increasing the Special Use Permit for Commercial/Business from \$150.00 to \$250.00. Motion Carried. Resolution #23-05 passed with 4 yes, 0 no votes.

Steve Johnson made a motion seconded by Patty Bikowsky to approve funding the clerk and deputy clerk to attend the NYSTCA Conference April 23-April 26. Motion Carried

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Patty Bikowsky made a motion seconded Brad Dixon to pay the General Bills in the amount of \$35,364.10 and Highway Bills in the amount of \$19,293.99 for a total of \$54,658.09. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Patty made a motion seconded by Brad Dixon to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Livermore, Town Clerk