

Regular Monthly Town of Pierrepont Board Meeting, August 30, 2022
County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, 864 State Highway 68, Canton, NY 13617

Present: Laurie Hance, Asst. to Supervisor
Julian "Olla" Filiatrault, Town Clerk
Shawn Spellacy, Highway Superintendent

Absent: Jane Powers, Supervisor
Colin Loomis, Town Attorney

Councilpersons: Roger Murray
John Glasgow
Chad VanBrocklin
Daniel Huntley

Meeting attendees/Public: Darren Richards, Code Enforcement; Pierre Pomainville, Planning Board;
Jamie VanBrocklin, BAR & ZBA.
Mercy Spellacy, Barb Daniels, Fred Green, Brian McIntosh.

Regular Meeting: 7:00PM Called to order.

Roger Murray

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes Approved:

- Minutes of Last Board Meeting held July 26, 2022. **Motion** to approve by Chad VanBrocklin , second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Minutes of Special Meeting Meeting held August 17, 2022. **Motion** to approve by Dan Huntley, second by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Supervisor, Jane Powers:

- Laurie Hance reported for the Supervisor. There will be a budget transfer required for traffic control(road signs).
Sales tax revenue came in almost exactly the same as the same time period last year.
In review of the general fund, the Town is in good standing with the fund.
- **Motion** to approve report made by Dan Huntley, second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

Town Clerk, Olla Filiatrault:

- Written report submitted. Available for review.
- **Motion** to accept report made by John Glasgow, second by Dan Huntley. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Olla Filiatrault, Town Clerk stated: it is necessary to employ a Deputy Clerk to come to the Office when needed and assist as needed.
- **Motion** to approve Town Clerk to appoint Angela Wright as a First Deputy Town Clerk made by Chad VanBrocklin, second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

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Code Enforcement, Darren Richards:

Darren Richards reported:

- 14 Building Permits issued with the **total** \$350.00 collected.
- Darren Richards reported it has been very busy. Some complaints dealt with. Some concrete pours.
- **Motion** to approve report made by Dan Huntley, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

Assessor, Amy Hunt:

No report.

Planning Board Report, Pierre Pomainville:

Pierre Pomainville: There is a question about a solar/wind permit mentioned in the past by the board. Darren Richards has mentioned there has been some inquiries about solar/wind projects. Does the Town Board need to review and approve that permit form? Roger Murray replied he would think so.

P. Pomainville and Darren Richards spoke that it is the state permit form and was already approved by the planning board and will be forwarded to the Town board.

Also, it was requested that a fee be set for a commercial wind/solar permit. Darren Richards spoke as to the expense involved related to the development of a permit.

Motion to approve **\$50 fee for Wind & Solar Permits** made by Chad VanBrocklin, seconded by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

- Cannabis update: law was sent into the County for review, and we expect that back soon.
- Next Planning Board meeting will be September 7th.

County Legislators Report:

Rick Perkins: written report submitted.

At the August 1st 2022 Full Board Meeting

We had 29 resolutions

We had 13 modifications to the budget

We had 2 Agreements/ Contracts to be signed

We had a resolution encouraging developers to purchase American-made equipment for Solar Energy Facilities that are constructed in New York Stat.

We had a resolution authorizing the filling of 7 vacancies positions.

We had a resolution proclaiming August as national immunization awareness month

We had a resolution accepting the Riley Basford Legacy Fund grant for the 2022 Youth Bureau Teen Suicide prevention and Sextortion Campaign

We had a resolution declaring the intent of St Law County to act as lead agency for the Lazy River Road over Grasse River bridge replacement project

We had a resolution declaring the intent of St Law County to act as lead agency for SEQRA assessment of the Ogdensburg transfer station project at the Ogdensburg transfer station in the town of Lisbon

We had a resolution determining that the construction of the Ogdensburg transfer station improvement project will not result in any significant Adverse Environmental Impact

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We had a resolution accepting the Workers Comp Self Insurance Apportionment for 2023

We had a resolution authorizing the conveyance of real property known as the Rathbun Site at 78 main St Hermon to the Town of Hermon

We had a resolution authorizing the issuance of tax-exempt revenue bonds by the St Law County IDA civic Development Corp for St Lawrence University \$80,000,000

We had a resolution authorizing the creation of a Blighted residential property reserve account

We had a resolution urging the State of NY to eliminate the requirement of DOT PERM 75 for Fiber Optic facilities and infrastructure

We had a resolution requesting the Governor to continue heating the Ogdensburg Correctional facility until her prison redevelopment commission develops a realistic plan for its reuse

If anyone has any questions, please feel free to reach out to me. **Rick**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Roger Murray, Deputy Supervisor:

- Understanding the Budget Process. First Workshop to discuss a 2023 budget will be held on Thursday, 9/15/2022 at 6:30 p.m. A second Workshop may be scheduled. Many decisions need to be made going forward.
- A letter from Stephen D. Buttons, Self-Insurance Plan Administrator regarding to Workers Compensation Plan; workers compensation costs are down some.
- A report from Charity Gregory, BOCES Health and Safety Services, Drug and Alcohol Program Participants, regarding six-months annual report.
- ARPA Funds information provided to the Board.
- Veteran's Monument. Still getting communications and letters. Those are being addressed.
- A letter to Cynthia Hennessy from Supervisor Jane Powers regarding to Colton-Pierrepont Raqueteers Contract for 2022. Laurie Hance stated that she has not received communication back from the group as to what service they might provide at this time.
- A report from Bureau of Emergency Medical Service (EMS). It lists the many thousands of calls across the county for emergency services. This will be a monthly letter.
- **Motion to adopt Proclaiming September 17th – 23rd Constitution Week** made by John Glasgow, seconded by Dan Huntley. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.
- The Gasoline Transaction Report was provided by Date and Time for Information.
Shawn Spellacy, Highway Superintendent, reported they have finished paving and most of CHIPs funding in. We did everything on our list that we started with.
The historical signs are nearly all done, the last one is being painted now.
The engineers have done a walkthrough of the Town garage. Putting together some ideas and go from there.
Cutting brush everyday and roadside mowing as possible.
- Darren Richards, Code Enforcement Officer: The Dept. of State gave us a new Model Law. Every few years we are mandated to put a law in place stating we have local code enforcement and codes. I gave a copy of it to Olla to give to Colin for review. Eventually, the Town Board would need to approve and enact into law.
- Street light survey was done also.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Schedule for preparation of the 2023 budget
Already discussed at beginning of meeting.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- Contract for electrical work at Town Hall (Phase I)

Roger Murray reported: the contract is ready to be signed and will be signed. Should be starting soon.

- Town Garage roof. Not in good shape. Needs to be addressed.

Very old and leaking. Is being looked at by architect. Discussion in the future.

- Update the 2 bathrooms at the Town Hall

Bathrooms don't meet code currently. Will be addressed going forward.

- Town Hall preliminary cost estimates (Phase II)

Roger Murray: expect will be a little less than a 100k for the front work as planned.

- Town Attorney's Report provided in writing.

Laurie Hance provided Colin Loomis, Town Attorney's Report of recent Attorney activities in August. Available for review.

- Street lights (Brian McIntosh) survey completed for new lights. Overall, good report, except for one change that needs to be made. Also, need light added at intersection.

GENERAL FUND Vouchers:

- General Fund; Abstract #8, Vouchers #213-246, **Total of \$9,710.17. Motion** to approve by Chad VanBrocklin, second by Dan Huntley. No discussion. All approved. None opposed.

HIGHWAY FUND Vouchers:

- Highway Dept. Abstract #8; Vouchers #187-212, **Total \$77,539.00. Motion** to approve by John Glasgow, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed.

Courtesy of The Floor:

No comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:45 p.m. **Motion** made by John Glasgow, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None opposed.

Meeting minutes prepared by Town Clerk, Olla Filiatrault.

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