

Regular Monthly Town of Pierrepont Board Meeting, June 29, 2022
County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, 864 State Highway 68, Canton, NY 13617

Present:

Jane Powers, Supervisor
Julian "Olla" Filiatrault, Town Clerk
Shawn Spellacy, Highway Superintendent
Colin Loomis, Town Attorney

Councilpersons: Roger Murray

John Glasgow
Chad VanBrocklin
Daniel Huntley

Meeting attendees/Public: Darren Richards, Code Enforcement; Pierre Pomainville, Planning Board; Mercy Spellacy; Fred Green; Brian MacIntosh, Bob Moulton; Jammie VanBrocklin

Regular Meeting: 7:00PM Called to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes Approved:

- Minutes of Last Board Meeting held May 31, 2022. Motion to approve by Dan Huntley, second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Supervisor, Jane Powers:

- Jane Powers reported on the status of the budget and accounts. Some transfers will be made to balance some accounts. Everything looks good. Funds are as they should be.
Motion to approve report made by Roger Murray, second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

Town Clerk, Olla Filiatrault:

- Clerk is now on summer hours.
- Written report submitted. Available for review.
- Motion to approve report made by Chad VanBrocklin, second by Roger Murray. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

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Code Enforcement, Darren Richards:

Darren Richards reported:

- 8 building permits issued. \$ 200.00 collected.
- Darren Richard reported only an issue regarding a boundary fence. Seems to be resolved.
- Darren Richards mentioned the need for more filing cabinet space in the code/assessor office. Wants to remove a desk to make room for 4-5 more file cabinets. Roger Murray questioned as to which desk would be removed leaving only one desk for the Code officer, Assessor, and Supervisor and that one desk was the Supervisor's Desk. Darren Richards stated that he was seeking permission to remove a desk because more room was needed for files.
- Motion to approve made by Dan Huntley, second by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried.

Assessor, Amy Hunt:

- Amy Hunt submitted a written report of Grievance Day activities on May 27, 2022. There were twelve grievances. None were reduced, but there were five stipulations and two corrections. The report is available upon request.
- The Final Assessment Roll has been posted on the town website.
- Also, Amy Hunt had a Data Report 1 NYS Office of Real Property Services Computation of the Final State Equalization Rate for the 2022 Assessment Roll to pass along to Town Supervisor and Town Board members.
- Motion to approve made by Dan Huntley, second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried.

Planning Board Report, Pierre Pomainville:

- The planning board had their regular meeting on June 2nd and we had training with St. Law. County on land use and members received 1.5 credits of training. Overall, only 1 credit needed for the remainder of the year to fulfill training.
- General Code: Quite a lot of work has been accomplished to find the old codes and laws since 1971 that General Code has needed for their work. Olla has been finding and scanning those laws. We now have mostly everything sent to General Code that they need and now they can delve into the code book.
- There still needs to be further review of the proposed solar building permit before that is accepted.
- We are finishing up Cannabis related guidelines and it's going very well.
- Next meeting is July 6th.

County Legislators Report:

Rick Perkins:

Legislator Perkins submitted a written report of recent Legislature activities. The report is available upon request.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

Jane Powers reported:

- Letter received from Campanelli & Associates, P.C.
Local Zoning Ordinances Must be Updated to Prevent the Irresponsible Placement of 5G Wireless Facilities on, or close to, private properties.
Appears to be advertising, possibly.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion to establish a Public Hearing for Battery Energy Storage System Law was made by Roger Murray, seconded by Dan Huntley. All voted to approve the motion. None opposed.
A Public Hearing for the Battery Energy Storage System Law will be held on Tuesday July 26, 2022 at 6:45PM at the Pierrepont Town Hall.
- Parishville Certificate of Needs (CON) Support.
A letter from The Parishville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. that apparently has an ambulance service. They support some adjoining towns. They are requesting letters of support.
Motion to approve the letter for support made by John Glasgow, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- Brooks Washburn update on possible Town Hall improvement. Plans for the front of the building have been discussed with the architect. Electrical improvement plans have also been looked at. The historical significance of the building is being respected in the plans.
- Update on lighting district issue. A meeting was held with a representative from National Grid. The required method for installation was discussed. No upfront costs. It will be within an existing lighting district.
Motion to approve made by Dan Huntley, seconded by John Glasgow to send Raymond Rouleau a copy of Pierrepont Supervisor Jane B. Powers's letter to Courtney M. from National Grid. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Riggs Drive: Questions regarding paving of the road extension section; A resident has objected to the Town paving a section. Colin Loomis reported that he can not find documentation where the Town has any interest in that small section of the drive. Shawn Spellacy indicated that the Town likely should not be maintaining that section of road in any way as it appears to stand now. Discussion was held. Yet to be resolved. Suggested that a letter be written to notify the landowners/residents impacted by the Town not servicing that section of road.

Motion to approve made by John Glasgow, seconded by Dan Huntley to Town of Pierrepont Attorney, Colin Loomis to draft the letter that Supervisor Jane B. Powers would sign and would go to the property owners on Riggs Drive for the extension. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried.

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GENERAL FUND Transfer:

- Transfer from A7140.4 Playground & Rec. (unused Senior budget) \$1,700.00 into A1680.4 Central Data Processing \$1,700.00. Motion to approve by Roger Murray, second by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None opposed.
- Transfer from A1990.4 Contingency \$8,000.00 into A5132.4 Garage \$8,000.00. Motion to approve by Chad VanBrocklin, second by John Glasgow. All voted to approve. None opposed.
- Transfer from A1990.4 Contingency \$2,000.00 into A8020.4 Planning Board \$2,000.00. Motion to approve by Dan Huntley, second by Roger Murray. All voted to approve. None opposed.

GENERAL FUND Abstract:

- General Fund **Abstract #6, Vouchers #163-193 for total of \$8,466.85.** Motion to approve by Dan Huntley, second by Chad VanBrocklin. All approved. None opposed.

HIGHWAY FUND Abstract:

- Highway Dept. **Abstract #6, Vouchers #138-165 for total \$80,115.03.** Motion to approve by John Glasgow, second by Roger Murray. All voted to approve. None opposed.

Courtesy of The Floor:

Councilman Chad VanBrocklin questioned about issues related to a banking issue where Town issued checks were apparently stolen from the mail and cashed. All of it happening in Virginia. Jane Powers reported the issue has been resolved and the bank accounts were made whole by the bank and all account numbers have been changed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:00 pm. Motion made by John Glasgow, second by Chad VanBrocklin. All voted to approve. None opposed.

Meeting minutes prepared by Town Clerk, Olla Filiatrault.

NOTE: Next Board meeting is Tuesday July 26, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

Local Law No.2 for 2022 Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday July 26, 2022 at 6:45 pm prior to regular Board Meeting.