

**SPECIAL MEETING
TOWN BOARD TOWN OF DUNKIRK
NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

The Town Board of the Town of Dunkirk held a Special Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at the Town Hall, 4737 Willow Road, Town of Dunkirk, with Deputy Supervisor Robert Penharlow presiding.

PRESENT:

Councilman Robert Penharlow
Councilman Henry Walldorff
Councilman Juan Pagan
Councilman Jay Bishop (via zoom)

ABSENT:

Supervisor Richard Puro

OTHERS PRESENT: Town Clerk, Rebecca Yacklon, Attorney Jeffrey Passafaro, Deputy Clerk, Kyle Coughlin, Anthony Dolce, Dunkirk Observer, Justice Chris Penfold

Deputy Supervisor Penharlow opened the Special Town Board meeting up at 7:05 pm with the pledge to the flag.

ABSTRACT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Councilman Pagan made a motion to approve the abstract of audited vouchers as presented by the Town Clerk on the November 3, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walldorff and carried.

General Fund	\$11,667.12
Highway Fund	\$1,733.32
Justice Fund	\$16,782.00
Vineyard Light	\$258.67

OPEN COMMENTS

Justice Penfold had asked all Board Member's if they received a memo dated October 19, from Deputy Court Clerk, Ashley DuBois. Justice Penfold reiterated a few points on that memo to Town Board Members. Judge Penfold stated that he agreed with Councilman Penharlow's proposal for the Deputy Court Clerks raise in her hourly rate. He further explained that he felt that both court clerks deserve a raise. He said he called other court within the area to see what the average hourly rate is. He explained that in Hanover they pay \$20.50 for three court clerks, in Sherman after the first of the year their Clerks will be at \$18.00 an hour, French Creek and Clymer will also be at \$18.00 an hour. He stated that the neighboring municipalities all pay higher than the Town of Dunkirk. To replace the clerks would be very difficult and take several hours to weeks of training. He told Board members that both clerks are fully trained, and they are very efficient. They show up to work every day and both of the judges rely on them immensely. He said he agreed with Councilman Penharlow on the 4% raise and with putting the Deputy Court Clerk at \$16.50 an hour. He told the Board Members it would be greatly appreciated by both judges and the court clerks themselves.

Councilman Bishop congratulated Councilman Pagan and Councilman Penharlow on their election win. He said it has been and will continue to be an honor to serve and work with both Board Members.

Councilman Pagan wanted to let Board Members know that he confirmed with Highway Superintendent Jeff Feinen that Williams St. from Rt. 60 to Main St. extension is closed until Friday November 5, 2021 due to the removal of the train tracks in that area. Councilman Pagan also stated that he got a call from Drew at North County Water in regard to the water hook up for the new Dental office going in on Rt. 60. He explained that everything was hooked up, it's moving slow, but they are making progress and should be opening up soon.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Walldorff seconded by Councilman Bishop the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Yacklon
Town Clerk