

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
FEBRUARY 16, 2021**

PRESENT:

Supervisor Richard A. Purol
Councilman Robert Penharlow
Councilman Henry Walldorff
Councilman Juan Pagan
Councilman Jay Bishop (via zoom)

OTHERS PRESENT: Town Clerk, Rebecca Yacklon, Attorney Jeffrey Passafaro, Deputy Clerk, Kyle Coughlin.

Supervisor Purol opened the meeting at 6:51 p.m. and began with the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Councilman Penharlow made a motion to approve the Regular meeting minutes of January 19, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pagan and carried.

APPROVAL OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Councilman Pagan made a motion to approve the organizational meeting minutes of January 19, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walldorff and carried.

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Councilman Penharlow made a motion to approve the special meeting minutes of January 27, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walldorff and carried.

ABSTRACT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Councilman Walldorff made a motion to approve the abstract of audited vouchers as presented by the Town Clerk on the February 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pagan and carried.

General Fund	\$196,449.80
Highway Fund	\$4749.77
Justice Fund	\$19,366.00
Vineyard Light	\$282.32
ELRS District	\$18.68
East Industrial	\$1068.60
Bennett Improvement	\$13,885.88

OPEN COMMENTS

No open comments.

TOWN CLERK REPORT (January)

Clerk Fees	\$1,720.00
Zoning Fees	\$335.00
Dog Licenses	\$66.00

Total amount transferred to Supervisor Purol \$2,121.00

JUSTICE REPORT (January)

Total number of cases **177**

TOTAL FINES and surcharges submitted to the Town Supervisor **\$19,366.00.**

DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT (January)

- There were 3 calls for service during the month of January regarding animal complaints.
- There was a total of 0 impound during January.
- Discuss possible free rabies clinic in the Town again.
- Discuss shared services of City Animal Shelter for impounds.

EAST LAKE ROAD SEWER DISTRICT REPORT (Richard Purol)

No service calls to report.

A letter was sent to a home owner who has had issues with sewer often. The letter was sent to the homeowner because repairs to the pump cost the town anywhere from \$400.00 - \$600.00. His pump has been replaced 3 times in the last year.

STEGELSKE (Richard Purol)

Supervisor Purol stated he been in contact with the City of Dunkirk, Bill Cocose of Great Lakes, and Kevin Muldowney to try and come to an agreement and or a solution to the problem.

The IDA denied any financial assistance or any funds for the pumphouse repair.

He further explained that many of the solutions to repair the pumphouse require additional funds from the Town and the City. While all parties continue to work together to find a solution, it is very costly for the business owners.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- The Highway Dept. Employees have been plowing.
- Bob & Kenny cleaned at the Sheridan Community Center for the Chadwick Bay Water Department move.
- Ordered a new wing blade and shoes for the KW.
- Williams St. waterline patch is bad but not much we can do with it now.
- Will get a few bags of cold patch when weather breaks.
- Will need a resolution to post roads if need to.

POSTING OF TOWN ROADS

A motion was made to allow Highway Superintendent Jeffery Feinen to post roads if necessary by Councilman Pagan. The motion was seconded by Councilman Penharlow and carried.

ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

No report was submitted.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Passafaro stated he had nothing to discuss that wasn't on the Agenda.

SUPERVISORS REPORT**CBI**

CBI finished the move from Brocton to Sheridan. They are finishing getting set up in the new location.

NORTH COUNTY WATER

Members of the PPD Sewer district are questioning water readings showing a zero. Supervisor Purol worked together with the Sewer district to figure out what the problem was.

Supervisor Purol also stated he sent a letter of support was sent from the North County Water District that was asking for assistance to repair the essential fire protection at the pump station located in the City of Dunkirk that services two major businesses within the Town of Dunkirk.

BENNETT ROAD WATER DISTRICT

The water was read on the new line. Waiting to start the billing process.

Currently working together with the City to get final bills from the City out to residents.

SALES TAX MONEY

For the first quarter of the year there was a total return of \$103,403.11.

Of that general fund received \$67,212.02 and the highway fund received a total of \$36,191.09.

EMERGENCY PLAN

Kyle Damon with East Town Fire Department sent the Town Emergency Plan to Supervisor Purol.

CORRESPONDENCE

Supervisor Purol stated he received a letter from Senator George Borrello that had contact information for possible funding streams that would be available through Chautauqua County for the Stegelske Pumphouse.

Senator Borrello also told Supervisor Purol that he is willing to assist the Town in anyway he can. He would be more than happy to provide a letter of support in regards to assistance with the Stegelske Pumphouse repair.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL BIDS

A request for proposal letter was sent out to different accounting firms throughout the area. The only response that was received was from Baghat & Laurito – Baghat.

The bid from Bahgat & Laurito - Baghat was for the court audit, for the calendar year 2019 and 2020. Costing \$2,750.00 per calendar year. Supervisor Purol stated the importance of this audit.

A motion to accept the bid but not to exceed the amount of \$2750.00 from Baghat & Laurito- Baghat was made by Councilman Walldorff. The motion was seconded by Councilman Penharlow and carried.

FORM E #4

A motion to approve Form E #4 was made by Councilman Pagan and seconded by Councilman Penharlow. The motion was carried unanimously.

DETAILED OPERATIONS PLAN

Supervisor Purol reminded Town board Members that to be in compliance with New York state Law a detailed operations plan needs to be created and passed by April 1, 2021.

SOUTHERN CHAUTAUQUA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

The planning board will be meeting in regards to Southern Chautauqua Federal Credit Union on February 24,2021 at 5:30 p.m. In effort to help the Credit Union Supervisor Purol stated he wanted to schedule the public hearing and special meeting date at this meeting. Supervisor Purol asked Board

Members what dates they were available for this meeting. All Board Members agreed to March 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilman Penharlow to schedule the public hearing on March 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. and seconded by Councilman Bishop. The motion was carried.

A motion was then followed to have a Special Meeting following the Public Meeting on March 3, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. was made by Councilman Walldorff. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pagan and carried.

SOLAR MORATORIUM

Supervisor Purol told Board Members that after hearing from the applicants and a concerned resident he thinks that enacting the moratorium would be what in the best interest of the Town of Dunkirk. He stated that Board Members need to work together on the revisions of this law as soon as they can upon enacting the moratorium. He stated his major area of concern are the setback and batteries. Board Members shared his concerns and felt the moratorium was necessary and in the best interest of the Town of Dunkirk residents. This will only be against commercial solar not residential solar. Councilman Bishop suggested getting together for a workshop to work on updating the law. Supervisor Purol suggested asking Planning Board or Zoning Board Members to attend this workshop. If passed, the Law will be Local Law #1 of 2021.

A motion to adopt the Solar Moratorium, Local Law #1 of 2021 was made by Councilman Bishop. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walldorff and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Pagan and seconded by Councilman Walldorff. The Motion was carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Yacklon
Town Clerk

