

**TOWN OF MARCELLUS**  
**TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

May 15, 2019

A Workshop Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Karen R. Pollard, Supervisor  
Tammy Sayre, Councilor  
Chris Hunt, Councilor  
Laurie Stevens, Councilor

John Cusick, Councilor - Absent

Also present: Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; John Houser, Codes Officer; Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; Bill Southern, Michaela Godbold, Colin Smith, Joe Martin, Chuck Paul, Jim Rossiter, Jesse Neimon, Keith Ramsden, Park Crew Leader and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Supervisor Pollard opened the meeting at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Abstract of Audited Vouchers:** The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #5 as of May 13, 2019. Claim #'s 148840-148845, 148847-148892. Voucher Number 148830 to Home Depot was paid on April 29, 2019. The payment was \$2,885.30.

**Expenses**

General Fund	\$15,509.03
Part Town General	535.16
Town Wide Highway	4,100.22
Part Town Highway	480.00
Trust & Agency	<u>902.00</u>
	\$21,526.41

Councilor Hunt made a motion seconded by Councilor Stevens to approve the Abstract of Audited Vouchers as of May 13, 2019.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt and Sayre

Carried

## **BUSINESS SESSION:**

**Firemen's Insurance Benefit:** Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, will contact Jim Rossiter, Fire Chief, about an insurance that deals with Firemen's Benefits. The insurance company is ESIP (Emergency Service Insurance People). This needs to be done so that the Firemen have insurance coverage.

**Storm Water- John Houser:** John Houser, Codes Officer, gave an update on the Storm Water Management. He attended the second of four meetings on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Many of the representatives would like more training opportunities. John Houser will continue to update the Town Board on Storm Water information.

Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Hunt to authorize Supervisor Pollard to sign the MS4 Annual Report. A copy of the report will be available at the Town Clerk's office for anyone interested in it.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt and Sayre

Carried

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Credit Cards:** More and more residents are asking about paying for services with their credit cards. Lori Petrocci, Bookkeeper, is talking with Solvay Bank regarding getting credit card machines and what the cost would be. There will be more information coming about this.

**Drainage Issue:** A meeting took place on May 9, with Chris Christenson, Karen Pollard, Don MacLachlan, John Houser, Joe Durand and an associate from TDK Engineering. Mr. Durand stated that there is a chance to get money from the state, but paperwork has to be in by July 1, 2019. Mr. Durand is going to let the Board know his main areas of concern regarding the drainage. Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, suggested that an IMA (Intermunicipal Agreement) be drawn up between the Village, Town and School if all three are on board and create a Drainage District. Only the parcels that are in the District would be charged. The District would not have to be set up before the July 1, 2019 deadline.

**Facebook Account:** Councilor Sayre has suggested that we set up a Facebook Account for the Town. She stated that the Village has one and it would be just for information, no one would be allowed to comment on anything. Councilor Sayre gave Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, a form that the Village adopted for the Facebook page. He will review the guidelines and this will be on the Agenda for the June 5, 2019 meeting. The Town Clerk will also work with the Village Clerk about getting it set up and maintained.

## **DISCUSSION AGENDA:**

### **Items from the Board**

Supervisor Pollard stated that we have about 1.5 acres of land where the Town Hall is. The plans that have been drawn up in the past are down in the basement and will be pulled up for the June Workshop Meeting so that the Town can decide what to do as we are outgrowing the building that we are in now and there are a lot of items that are safety issues.

Supervisor Pollard stated that the street lights are starting to be replaced with LED lighting. A light pole was also installed at the end of Sage Meadows.

Supervisor Pollard received notice from the Onondaga County Department of Taxation and Finance that the land the Paper Mill was on is subject to auction October 21, 2019. This is subject to the owner paying the balance of back taxes by the end of June.

### **Items from the Floor**

Phil Coccia, Recreation Director, just reminded everyone that the Rotary is now taking over Olde Home Days and they need to work with the Park Staff regarding the fields, if it continues to rain as much as it has been.

Councilor Stevens asked to have a meeting with the Attorney and Board at the conclusion of the Workshop Meeting.

Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Sayre to adjourn the Marcellus Town Board meeting at 7:05 P.M.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hunt and Sayre

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk