

TOWN OF MARCELLUS
TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 2, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2020, in the Town Hall, 24 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York. Those present were:

Karen Pollard, Supervisor
Laurie Stevens, Councilor
Tammy Sayre, Councilor
John Cusick, Councilor
Terry Hoey, Councilor

Also Present: Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; John Houser, Codes Officer; Keith Ramsden, Park Crew Leader; Sandy Elsey, Parks and Rec Secretary; Karen Cotter, Bill Southern, Susan Dennis, Deputy Town Clerk; Carolyn Rice, Eric Rice and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Minutes: Councilor Cusick made a motion seconded by Councilor Hoey to accept the Town Clerk's minutes from the August 5, 2020 Town Board Meeting and the August 19, 2020 Workshop Meeting.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

Abstract of Audited Vouchers: The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #9 as of August 31, 2020. Claim #'s 150954-150993.

Expenses

General Fund	\$ 12,261.53
Part Town General	14.75
Town Wide Highway	648.92
Part Town Highway	115,004.16
Fire District	82,347.50
Water District	<u>85,047.00</u>
 Total	 \$295,323.86

Board Members were given copies of the Activities Report as of August 31, 2020 for the Fiscal Year 2020. Periods 8 to 8.

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	(1,358,280.88)	\$692,607.33
Part Town General	(204,251.26)	106,659.51
Town Wide Highway	(552,974.99)	236,757.22
Part Town Highway	(399,194.04)	185,349.77
Fire District	(395,917.91)	288,317.00
Hydrant Fund	(2,565.00)	1,700.13
Ambulance Fund	(316,690.00)	237,517.50
Sewer District	(160,828.96)	160,821.00
Water District	(185,633.70)	79,958.38

Bank Balances for July 2020:

The Total Bank Balance for July 2020:

Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to approve the Abstract of Audited Vouchers as of August 31, 2020, the Activities Report as of August 31, 2020 and the Bank Balances for July 2020.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

OLD BUSINESS:

Demo – SE Townline Road: John Houser, Codes Officer, received three quotes for the demolition of 3601 SE Townline Road. The bids are as follows:

- Diversified \$33,000
- Crisafulli \$27,500
- Scanlon \$31,528

John Houser stated that the Town needs to hire an Air Monitor Company to work with the demolition company. After some discussion, it was decided that the awarding of the demolition contractor would be put on the agenda for September 16, 2020. John Houser will be meeting with Joe Durand to clarify some information on the quotes from the contractors.

The quotes for the Air Monitor are:

- AECC - \$425 per day at 9.5 hours
- Churchill - \$435 per day at 9 hours

Councilor Sayre made a motion seconded by Councilor Stevens to accept the Bid from AECC at \$425 per day at 9.5 hours.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

Fire Department Financials: The Board was given the financial statements from the Fire Department. This is just informational; no action needs to be taken.

Set Budget Dates: Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Cusick to set the Budget Meeting Dates as Monday, September 21, Wednesday, September 23, and Monday, September 28, 2020. The meetings will be held at the Welcome Center, Marcellus Park and will start at 5:30 pm. Supervisor Pollard will contact the Fire Department and MAVES to set up dates and times. Lori Petrocci, will send a memo to the Department Heads if they want to schedule a 15-minute time frame to meet with the Board.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Items from the Board: Supervisor Pollard did mention that the Town did receive a Petition and asked Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, how we proceed from here. There will be a meeting with Council at the adjournment of this meeting.

Items from the Floor: Phil Coccia, Recreation Director, stated that all is well at the Park.

Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, reminded everyone that the trash days will be coming up at the end of September and beginning of October.

Sandy Elsey, Secretary to Recreation, stated that all the camps that the Recreation Department were able to run this year went very well. They are also scheduling a fall golf camp.

Karen Cotter, Planning and Zoning Secretary, said that she is going to have another busy meeting for September. She is going to try and keep it here at the Town Hall but may have to have it at the Fire Department.

Bill Southern, Sheehan Road, asked about the fence on Rt. 174 at the site of the Paper Mill that the Town had demolished. Someone bought the property, but wants the fence up. The fence is not his and it is not the Towns. It was put up until the guard rails were installed. The guard rails are now installed and John Houser will talk with the company that put the fence up about removing it. If the new owner wants a fence, they will have to purchase one.

Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, wants to address the issue of the petition as we have members of the public here and zooming in. He would like this as Town Record. With the filing of the petition, the Referendum will not be held at the General Election held on November 3. The reason for that is that as the Board knows, we were required us to do an archeological inspection of the property, which they didn't require last time we had a referendum on the building. That archeological investigation pushed our motion for a Permissive Referendum to July 27, 2020.

On July 29th, New York State Legislature passed a new legislation which requires there be a window of no less than 90 and no more than 105 days between the time the petition was filed and

the time that the referendum was held. That means that can push us back to late November – early December. Councilor Hoey stated at this time, November 26, 2020 – December 11, 2020. Jim Gascon, if we follow the statute that was recently enacted by the State, we can't have that election until that time period. As the Board is aware, we lost the Fall building cycle and will most likely have to wait until spring for this project. I (Jim Gascon speaking) just feel that the people that signed the petition ought to know that. There is the possibility of an expedited process, and I do need to do additional research on how much it will cost the Town and taxpayers. I will be checking with the Town Board to see if they want to do the expedited process.

Supervisor Pollard stated that the Board will be meeting with the Attorney at the conclusion of this meeting.

Adjourn: Councilor Cusick made a motion seconded by Councilor Stevens to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:30 pm.

Ayes – Pollard, Stevens, Hoey, Sayre and Cusick

Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Taylor
Town Clerk