

Marcellus Town Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 3, 2022
6:30 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, August 3, 2022 in the Town Hall, 22 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York.

Present: Karen R. Pollard, Supervisor
Jamie Curtin, Councilor
Terry Hoey, Councilor
Gabe Hood, Councilor
Laurie Stevens, Councilor

Also Present: Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; John Houser, Codes Enforcement Officer; Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Chris Christenson, Hind VanDusen, Margaret Wipper, Julie Sageer, Jim Rossiter, Gary and Linda Wilcox, Bill Southern, Susan Dennis, Deputy Town Clerk and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Public Hearing: Sign Law

Supervisor Pollard opened up the Public Hearing on the Sign Law, but stated that there were major changes to it. Jim Gascon, Town Attorney, explained the changes (that the Board had to approve) under the Freestanding Signs. The law will be reintroduced in this meeting and a public hearing will take place at the September 7, 2022 meeting. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:32 PM.

Waive the Reading and Accept the Minutes: Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Curtin to waive the reading and accept the Town Clerk’s minutes from the July 6, 2022, Town Board Meeting and the July 20, 2022, Workshop Meeting.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens Carried

Monthly Activity: The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #8 as of July 29, 2022. Claim #'s 153926-153966.

<u>Expenses</u>	
General Fund	\$26,253.76
Part Town General	1,519.44
Town Wide Highway	890.49
Part Town Highway	<u>4,701.26</u>
Total	\$33,364.95

Board Members were given the Activities Report as of July 27, 2022, Fiscal Year 2022. Period 7

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
General Fund	(1,890,424.55)	\$836,191.84
Part Town General	(209,167.28)	100,127.85
Town Wide Highway	(601,220.65)	258,496.38
Part Town Highway	(367,498.91)	234,292.25
Capital Projects	(296,808.31)	669,035.21
Fire District	(399,814.99)	282,681.25
Hydrant Fund	(2,926.92)	1,548.07
Ambulance Fund	(317,175.55)	237,867.75
Sewer District	(200,323.82)	200,321.00
Water District	(165,315.19)	81,949.75

Bills Paid Between Meetings: The following insurance bills were paid on July 26, 2022.

<u>Voucher</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
153922	BC/BS	\$16,984.90
153923	BC/BS	635.22
153924	BC/BS	209.11
153925	BC/BS	209.11
	Total	\$18,038.34

Bank Balances: The bank balances for June 2022 are \$4,982,238.50

Councilor Hood made a motion seconded by Councilor Curtin to approve the Abstract of Audited Vouchers as of July 29, 2022, the Activities Report as of July 27, 2022, the bills paid on July 26, 2022 and the bank balances for June 2022.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens Carried

New Town Hall: The Abstract of Audited Vouchers was given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #8 as of July 29, 2022. Claim # 153967.

<u>Expenses</u>	
Capital Projects	\$70.00

Councilor Hoey made a motion seconded by Councilor Stevens to approve the Abstract of Audited Vouchers for the New Town Hall as of July 29, 2022.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Introduction to Local Law B-2022 – Sign Law

**TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION
INTRODUCING LOCAL LAW B-2022
TOWN OF MARCELLUS**

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Marcellus, held at the Town Hall, 22 East Main Street, in said Town, County of Onondaga, State of New York, on August 3, 2022, at 6:30 P.M., there were:

PRESENT:	Karen R. Pollard	Town Supervisor
	Jamie Curtin	Councilor
	Gabe Hood	Councilor
	Terry Hoey	Councilor
	Laurie Stevens	Councilor

WHEREAS, Councilor Hoey reintroduced proposed Local Law No. B-2022, “Amending Chapter 235 (“Zoning”) of the Code of the Town of Marcellus to Repeal/Amend Certain Provisions Pertaining to Signs and to Include Section 235-26.1 (“Signs”),” which includes amendments related to setbacks and safety and made the following motion, which was seconded by Councilor Curtin.

WHEREAS, Local Law No. B-2022 relates to promoting and protecting the public health, safety and welfare of the Town by regulating existing and proposed signs located within the corporate limits of the Town of Marcellus;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board shall conduct a public hearing as to the enactment of proposed Local Law No. B-2022 as amended at the Marcellus Town Hall located at 22 East Main Street in the Town of Marcellus on September 7, 2022, at 6:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at which time all persons interested on the subject shall be heard.

The question of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote and, upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

VOTE:	Karen R. Pollard	Town Supervisor	Yes
	Jamie Curtin	Councilor	Yes
	Gabe Hood	Councilor	Yes
	Terry Hoey	Councilor	Yes
	Laurie Stevens	Councilor	Yes

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

DATED: August 3, 2022

NEW BUSINESS

Set dates for Trash Days: Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Hood to approve the Fall Trash Days for the following days:

Friday's – September 23 and September 30, 2022

Saturday's - September 24 and October 1, 2022

The time for all four days will be 8:00 am – 12:00 noon.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Reappointment to Assessment Board of Review: Supervisor Pollard made a motion seconded by Councilor Curtin to reappoint Mr. John Stempel to the Board of Assessment Review. This is a five-year (5) term from October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2027.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Permissive Referendum: Tennis Courts/Basketball Courts: This will be put on the agenda for the August 17, 2022 meeting.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Codes – John Houser, Codes Officer, stated the July was busy. He issued 16 permits, along with some violations and inspections.

Parks/Recreation – Phil Coccia, Recreation Director, stated that the recreation camps were very well attended (over 800) enrolled between all the camps, the pavilions are being rented out constantly. Mr. Coccia, also gave a big thank you to Jim Rossiter, Keith Ramsden and the rest of the Park employees for a job well done.

Town Clerk – Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk, presented to the Board a monthly sheet of all the dogs, marriage licenses, passports and other licenses that were issued. Supervisor Pollard and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk, will be talking about possibly raising the cost of licensing a dog. The rates haven't been raised in over 5 years. There are some Towns that are more expensive and some that are less expensive. Councilor Stevens also suggested a late fee. There will be more discussion on this.

Highway – There was no one here from the Highway Department, but Supervisor Pollard gave a big Thank you to them for all the work they did with the new Parking Lot.

Discussion Agenda

Supervisor Pollard just wanted to share a few Thank you notes with the Board and Residents.

The first was from Baltimore Woods. They will be having an event to walk the new Trails on the property they purchased. If anyone is interested, please RSVP by August 12, 2022.

Another Thank you was received from Mr. Olmstead thanking the Highway Department for all their help with the clean up after the Storm a few weeks ago.

Budget Time Line: Lori Petrocci, Bookkeeper, made up a timeline for the Budget. Supervisor Pollard stated that she will be sitting with Lori to go over the Budget line by line. They would like to present to the Board a Tentative Budget at the August. 17, 2022 meeting.

Residents Comments: Julie Sageer, Hind VanDusen and Margaret Wipper, all from Brewer Road, Marietta, presented to the Board a letter asking for a Water District out in Marietta. Some of the residents have had water issues for a number of years. The Board stated that the first thing they need to do is get a petition signed and present that to the Board. Supervisor Pollard explained that Water Districts can be very expensive, but that we can move forward with it.

Adjournment:

Councilor Hood made a motion seconded by Councilor Curtin to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:35 pm.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Taylor
Town Clerk