

Marcellus Town Board
 Regular Meeting
 Wednesday, September 6, 2023
 6:30 PM

A Meeting of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, September 7, 2023, 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: Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent; Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; John Houser, Codes Officer; Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Don and Paula Stillwell, Gary and Linda Wilcox, Tom Lathrop, Bill Southern, Larry Abrahamson, Steve Bolewski, Tim and Erica Leubner, Rosemary Tozzi, Deputy Town Clerk and Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk.

Waive the Reading and Accept the Minutes as Presented: Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Hoey to waive the reading and accept the minutes as presented from the August 2, 2023, Town Board Meeting and the August 16, 2023, Workshop Meeting.
 Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens Carried

Monthly Activity: The Abstract of Audited Vouchers as of September 5, 2023, was given to the Board Members. Abstract #9 Claim numbers 155546-155575.

	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	\$ 6,094.07
Part Town General Fund	1,252.29
Town Wide Highway	5,640.89
Part Town Highway	8,466.64
Fire District	7,822.00
Ambulance Fund	1,616.25
Water District	<u>89,097.00</u>
Total	\$119,989.14

Board Members were given the Activities Report as of August 31, 2023.

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	(1,503,062.57)	1,054,907.31
Part Town General	(211,123.03)	122,075.16

Town Wide Highway	(604,590.49)	294,732.13
Part Town Highway	(353,528.76)	318,575.32
Capital Projects	14,445.96	7,928.00
Fire District	(404,964.74)	272,036.75
Hydrant Fund	(3,006.63)	1,594.61
Ambulance Fund	(306,485.51)	229,848.75
Sewer District	(194,549.87)	194,544.00
Water District	(180,809.14)	82,807.85

Bank Balances:

The total of all the Bank Balances for July 2023: \$4,828,604.37

Bills Paid between Meetings: The following bills were paid on August 25, 2023.

<u>Voucher</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
155519	Midland Asphalt Materials	437,312.85
155520	OCWA	368.80
155521	OCWA	114.81
155522	OCWA	514.40
155523	OCWA	173.05
155524	Simply Prescriptions	351.98
155525	Simply Prescriptions	351.98
155526	Excellus BC/BS	145.03
155527	Excellus BC/BS	145.03
155528	Excellus BC/BS	781.11
155529	Excellus BC/BS	18,143.02
155530	Excellus BC/BS	209.11
155531	Excellus BC/BS	209.11
155540	NYSEG	24.79
155541	NYSEG	38.40
155542	NYSEG	31.70
155543	NYSEG	141.38
155544	NYSEG	34.11
155545	NYSEG	22.35

Councilor Hood made a motion seconded by Councilor Curtin to approve the Abstract of Audited Voucher as of September 5, 2023, The Activities Report as of August 31, 2023, the Bank Balances for July 2023 and the Bills paid on August 25, 2023.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

OLD BUSINESS

Fire Department – Kitchen Repairs: Supervisor Pollard received a Proposal for Services from Zausmer, Frisch, Scruton and Aggarwal, Inc. to provide an architectural design for services at the Marcellus Fire Department. ZFSA will bill at an hourly rate for the services. The maximum cost not to exceed \$7,500. (on the Contract it was written Maximum hourly cost not to exceed \$7,500). The schedule of hourly rates is: Principal/Architect \$135.00 per hour; Architect/Designer \$125.00 per hour. Jim Gascon, Town

Attorney, asked that ZFSA also show proof of Liability Insurance. Councilor Stevens made a motion seconded by Councilor Hood to authorize Supervisor Pollard to sign the proposal from Zausmer-Frisch Scruton & Aggarwal with the amended correction (the word “hourly” being crossed out on Maximum Hourly cost not to Exceed \$7,500) and they provide proof of liability insurance.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Rosemary Tozzi, Deputy Town Clerk, can go ahead and start to get prevailing wage information so that when the Town appoints contractors, it will be all set to go. No work can be done until the Town awards the bids (except for demo work).

NEW BUSINESS

Tax Cap Override:

TOWN OF MARCELLUS TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION

September 6, 2023

TOWN OF MARCELLUS LOCAL LAW NO B OF THE YEAR 2023

**(“A Local Law Overriding the Tax Levy Limit Established
in General, Municipal Law §3-C in the Town of Marcellus”)**

Councilor Hoey introduced proposed Local Law No B of the year 2023, relating to the ability of the Town of Marcellus to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of Marcellus pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-C, and to allow the Town of Marcellus to adopt a Town Budget for the fiscal year 2024 in excess of the “tax levy limit,” and made the following motion, which was seconded by Councilor Curtin.

WHEREAS, Volume 6 N.Y.C.R.R., Section 617 of the Regulations relating to Article 8 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law, requires that as early as possible an involved agency shall make a determination whether a given action is subject to the aforementioned law; and

WHEREAS, no other agency has the legal authority or jurisdiction to approve or directly undertake the enactment of a local law in the Town of Marcellus, such that there are no other involved agencies within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) with respect to the proposed enactment of said Local Law, with the result that the Town Board shall act as lead agency in this matter; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of said Local Law is an Unlisted action for purposes of environmental review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that a short environmental assessment form (EAF) shall be required in connection with this matter; and

WHEREAS, the said EAF will be prepared and will be reviewed by the Town Board; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is

RESOLVED AND DETERMINED that the Town Board conduct a public hearing as to the enactment of Proposed Local Law No. B of the year 2023 at the Marcellus Town Offices located at 22 East Main Street in said Town on October 4, 2023, at 6:30 pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, at which time all persons interested in the subject shall be heard.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Karen Pollard	Supervisor	Voted	Aye
Laurie Stevens	Councilor	Voted	Aye
Terry Hoey	Councilor	Voted	Aye
Gabe Hood	Councilor	Voted	Aye
Jamie Curtin	Councilor	Voted	Aye

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

DATED: September 6, 2023

CNY Cars and Coffee: A request was made by Don and Paula Stillwell to have cars and coffee in Marcellus Park. They would like to start the cruise the least weekend in April and end the first weekend in October. The vision is to have between 30 and 50 vehicles. Mr. and Mrs. Stillwell had started this same event back in 2019 but were cut short by COVID. Supervisor Pollard made a motion seconded by Councilor Hood that Mr. and Mrs. Stillwell could move ahead with the Cars and Coffee in the Park starting in April 2024. The location will be determined after they look at some of the pavilions and space. They are also to be respectful of the park (no parking on grass if its wet) etc.

Ayes – Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Codes: John Houser, Codes Officer, told of a structure fire that happened on Friday night. There were no injuries. At this time, the structure is deemed unsafe.

Highway: Don MacLachlan, Highway Superintendent, stated that the guys have been ditching, paving and getting the trucks ready for winter.

Park: Phil Coccia, Recreation Director, stated that this past weekend was the motorcycle rally. Also on Sunday, the owner (and some of her staff) from Jordy's Barbershop were giving free haircuts to people in the community at the Grove Pavilion. The Stained Glass Class that is being offered is a big hit. People are very interested and keep signing up.

Town Clerk: Sandy Taylor, Town Clerk, shared the monthly report. Hunting licenses and dump passes are starting to pick up.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

Grant for Senior Citizen Funding at the Park: Phil Coccia, Recreation Director, shared with the Board the Town has been awarded a grant from the Department of Adult & Long-Term Care Services through Onondaga County. The amount of the award is \$79,700. This will be for renovations at the Welcome Center. The way this grant works is that the Town will pay for the improvements and submit the receipts and get the money back. The Grant money is \$79,700, the Town will put in \$5,000 and the Friends of the Park will contribute \$300 for a total of \$85,000.

Training Opportunities: The Board received information on the Training that is held in New York City every February. Supervisor Pollard stated that there isn't money in the Budget so if anyone wants to attend, they will have to pay out of pocket for it.

Supervisor Pollard stated that there will be a Planning/Zoning Board Meeting tomorrow, September 7, 2023, at 6:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Councilor Curtin made a motion seconded by Councilor Hood to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Ayes - Pollard, Curtin, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Taylor
Town Clerk