

Marcellus Town Board
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 7, 2024
6:30 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Town of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, State of New York was held on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, in the Town Hall, 22 East Main Street, Marcellus, New York.

Present: Laurie Stevens	Supervisor
Jeff Berwald	Councilor
Percy Clarke	Councilor
Terry Hoey	Councilor
Gabe Hood	Councilor

Also Present: Jeremy Perry, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; Jim Gascon, Town Attorney; Krissy Lanning, Gary and Linda Wilcox, John Pawlewicz, Jane and Mike Ossit, Jim Rossiter, Bill Southern, Erica and Tim Leubner, Steven Bolewski, Lisa Bardou, Chris Christensen, Planning Board; Dave Card, Fire Department; Joel McNally, Fire Department; Suzanne Tobin, Deputy Town Clerk; Rosemary Tozzi, Town Clerk

Waive the Reading and Accept the Minutes: Councilor Hood made a motion seconded by Councilor Berwald to waive the reading and accept the minutes as presented by the Town Clerk. The minutes were from the July 10, 2024, Town Board Meeting and the July 24, 2024, Workshop Meeting.

Ayes – Berwald, Clarke, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Monthly Activity: The abstract of Audited Vouchers for August 6, 2024, given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #8 as of August 6, 2024. Claim # 156949-156954.

	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	\$5,228.25
Total	\$5,228.25

The abstract of Audited Vouchers for August 7, 2024, given to the Board Members as submitted by the Town Clerk. Abstract #8 as of August 2, 2024. Claim # 156904-156939.

	<u>Expenses</u>
General Fund	\$21,699.42
Part Town General	5,027.68
Townwide Highway	56,332.76
Part Town Highway	2,775.34

Trust and Agency	2,400.00
Total	\$88,235.20

Board Members were given the Activities Report as of July 26, 2024. Fiscal year 2024 Period 7.

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expense</u>
General Fund	(2,448,741.44)	826,166.63
Part Town General	(211,602.10)	89,226.38
Townwide Highway	(166,960.51)	240,115.64
Part Town Highway	(331.20)	127,909.61
Fire District	(398,672.29)	298,950.75
Hydrant Fund	(3,078.99)	1,715.64
Ambulance Fund	(313,380.74)	235,023.75
Sewer District	(195,953.02)	195,952.00
Water District	(182,328.57)	84,191.86

Bank Balances:

The total of all Bank Balances for June 2024 is \$4,474,641.82

Councilor Hoey made a motion seconded by Councilor Clarke to approve the Abstract of Audited Voucher Reports as of August 6, 2024, August 2, 2024, and the Activities Report as of July 26, 2024, and the Bank Balances of June 2024.

Ayes – Berwald, Clarke, Hoey, Hood and Stevens Carried

Old Business:

Solar Law: Jim Gascon, Town Attorney recommended this be tabled until the Workshop meeting on September 18, 2024, to give the Planning and Zoning Board time to review the proposed updated law. The Town Board agreed.

Tim’s Pumpkin Patch PUD: The Town Board has not received the updated site plan and drawings from RZ Engineering. This topic has been tabled until the documents have been received.

New Business:

Insurance Renewal: The Town Board tabled this topic due to questions about coverage and rates.

Sign Kubota Contract: Councilor Berwald made a motion seconded by Councilor Hood to approve Supervisor Stevens to sign the contract for the park to purchase a new Kubota.

Ayes – Berwald, Clarke, Hoey, Hood and Stevens Carried

Haunted Park: The Chamber of Commerce is asking the Town Board permission to host the 3rd Haunted Park event to be held on October 26, 2024. This event will once again be free. The Chamber of Commerce is looking for sponsors. The park has been reserved for the event. Councilor Clarke made a motion seconded by Councilor Berwald to approve the Chamber of Commerce to hold the Haunted Park event at the Park on October 26, 2024.

Ayes – Berwald, Clarke, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Welcome Center- Electrical Quotes: Three bids were received for the electrical work at the Welcome Center.

JRC Electric and Sons \$16,339.50

Myraid Construction \$16,400.00

KS Electric Services \$20,687.50

Councilor Berwald made a motion seconded by Councilor Hood to approve JRC Electric as the low bid and award them the contract for the electric work at the Welcome Center.

Ayes – Berwald, Clarke, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Departments Reports:

Codes: John Houser was absent from the meeting

Highway: Nothing to report

Parks/Rec: Phil Coccia, Recreation Director; reported recreation had a great summer with all the programs and staff.

Town Clerk: Rosemary Tozzi, Town Clerk, presented the monthly report for June 2024.

Dog Licensing \$509.00

Certified Copies-Marriage \$20.00

Passport \$140.00

Conservation \$25.59

Marriage Licensing \$25.00

Building \$872.00

Zoning Fees \$510.00

Discussion Agenda:

Fire Department:

Contract: The Fire Department would like to make a few changes to the contract for 2025. They would like the quarterly reports' due dates and pay schedule to be changed to January, April, July and October. The Board discussed they want a more detailed report as stated in the contract. The Fire Department would like to change the semi-annual independent audit to an annual audit. Lastly, they would like to increase the Truck & Equipment reserve from \$60,000.00 to \$100,000.00. It was decided that they will discuss some of the changes requested during the budget meetings.

Service Awards Program: The Fire Department is looking for support from the Town Board to increase the service awards from \$700 to \$1,200 and reducing the age from 65 to 55. Jim Gascon, Town Attorney was going to investigate the voting process needed to amend the Service Awards. After some decision it was decided to discuss this topic in more detail during the budget meetings.

Chicken Barbecue Dinner: Jim Gascon is a member of the Olde Home Days Committee. He approached the Town Board regarding bringing back the chicken barbecue dinner. Mr. Gascon asked if the Town Board would be willing and able to hire a few extra kids to help dispense the food. Phil Coccia and the Town Board agreed it would not be an issue. The Town would be reimbursed by the Rotary Club for the payroll.

Adjournment: Councilor Hood made a motion seconded by Councilor Hoey to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm.

Ayes – Berwald, Clarke, Hoey, Hood and Stevens

Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemary Tozzi
Town Clerk