

MINUTES  
TOWN OF DIX REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 28, 2021

The Regular Monthly Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Harold Russell at 7 PM.

PRESENT: Supervisor Harold Russell  
Deputy Supervisor F. Joe Hammond  
Councilman Dominick Smith  
Councilman Jeffrey Meehan  
Councilman David Hertel  
Bookkeeper Billie Jo Carnes  
Town Clerk Helen Teed  
Highway Superintendent Scott Yaw

VISITORS: Andy Stansfield

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

- Burned house at 3075 Beaver Dams-Moreland Road-Can it be torn down? Town Clerk Teed has had many calls and visits from nearby home owners. It smells and it's in danger of falling down. Next-door neighbor cannot see to back out of her driveway because the lawn hasn't been mowed either.
- Code Enforcement Officer has been sent messages, but hasn't returned calls.
- Call Attorney Rob Halpin to draft a letter of Emergency Demolition on the house. (Town Clerk Teed called and emailed Attorney Halpin-6/29/21).

REPORTS:

- Supervisor Russell
  - Talked with Scott from NEXTERA-wants to be on-line with their 50-MW Solar Farm by Fall of 2022. 5 Permits have been OK'd.
  - Talked with Fagan Engineers about the Solar Farm and working on the New Town Hall
    - Bigger Roof with longer over-hang to keep the water away from the building and different systems for heating and cooling.
    - Councilman Meehan asked if Supervisor Russell had talked with Hunt Engineers about the New Town Hall, since they drew up the plans initially?
  - Harder-Seacrest is going to do the Bidding for the New Town Hall.
  - Talked with Tim Steed, Hunt Engineers, about the water system at the Watkins Glen International Race Track-pressure was down to 44#, was back up by Sunday. Need to figure out the problem before NASCAR in August.
  - The Village checks Water Pump Stations Every Day-7 Days/Week
    - Red Light-Something Wrong?
    - Green Light-Everything OK?
- Deputy Supervisor Hammond-Nothing to Report
- Bookkeeper Billie Jo Carnes-the SAM Grant was Approved
  - New Training from Williamson Law Book in the works
  - Keeping up with Regular Bills
  - Village of Watkins Glen Board voted take the water for the Moreland Fire off the Water Bill
- Superintendent of Highways Yaw
  - Finished Cronk Road with Material for Profile
  - Started Gano Road with Gravel for Profile
  - Mowing Road Sides has Begun
  - Shared Services with Town of Reading and Town of Montour
  - Orange Volvo almost completed at Valley Fab
  - Met with Solar Farm for Race Track, Need to Figure out Road Agreements
  - Scheduled for Suit-Kote on July 19 to begin all Road Work with Profiler

RESOLUTION#24: TO APPROVE THE WRITING OF A LETTER, BY ATTORNEY ROB HALPIN, TO THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR A ROAD STUDY OF THE CORNER OF BAKER HILL ROAD AND COOLEY ROAD, AND THE CORNER OF CRONK ROAD AND PRICE ROAD, ALL IN THE TOWN OF DIX, SCHUYLER COUNTY, NEW YORK.

On Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Meehan, Resolution as APPROVED: AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

- Code Enforcement Officer Dave Patterson
  - Monthly Report filed in Town Clerk's Office
  - 2020 Annual Code Enforcement Activities Report-filed in the Town Clerk's Office
- Planning Board-No Report
- Zoning Board of Appeals-No Report
- Town Court-25 cases for \$3300.
- Committee Representatives:
  - Environmental Management Council-Councilman Hertel-No Meeting
  - Fire Departments-Councilman Smith-Changes coming in the next couple of months To Village and Fire Department-won't affect the Town of Dix
  - Landfill-Councilman Meehan-No Meeting

RESOLUTION #25: TO APPROVE TOWN CLERK REPORT FOR MAY, MINUTES FROM THE APRIL AND MAY BOARD MEETINGS, AND THE MAY 2021 AUDIT

On Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Hertel, Resolution was APPROVED: AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

AUDIT:

General Fund-Town Wide	2149-2170	\$ 41,095.29
General Fund-Outside Village	2156-2169	\$ 171.60
Highway Fund-Town Wide	1472-1483	\$ 2,607.18
Highway Fund-Outside Village	1479-1482	\$ 71,013.60
Special Water Fund	413-414	\$ 1,243.26
Trust & Agency	291-294	\$ 10,180.20

-Supervisor's Reports-Tabled

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Utility Moratorium Webinar-Association of Towns-June 10, 2021 @ 11 AM
- Sixth Annual New York State Redevelopment Summit-Intentional Reinvention-June 16-18, 2021
- ARPA (AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT) Funding to NEU (NON-ENTITLED UNITS)
  - Part of \$400,000, need to figure what to do with it. Not for the New Town Hall.
- Animal Shelter Report for May 2021-5 dogs seized from 1 house, in the Town of Dix
  - Person redeemed 2 of the 5 dogs from the Shelter
- Budget Navigation Virtual Seminar-June 29, 2021-8:30 to 12 noon.
- Schuyler County Legislature-Mortgage Tax Receipts Distribution-October 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021-received 6/18/21
- Sent revised April 2021 Board Meeting Minutes to Board Members-6/16/21
- SPECTRUM Email-Expanding Broadband Access-\$5-Billion Initiative Apply before July 9, 2021

NEW BUSINESS:

Watkins Glen Promotions Letter-asking Permission to hold the Grand Prix Festival in September 2021. Permission needed to apply for the DOT Permit to hold race laps.

RESOLUTION#26: TO APPROVE GRANTING PERMISSION TO WATKINS GLEN PROMOTIONS TO HOLD THE GRAND PRIX FESTIVAL, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

On Motion by Supervisor Russell, seconded by Councilman Smith, Resolution was APPROVED: AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

Town Clerk Helen Teed will send letter.

OLD BUSINESS:

-AMENDMENT FOR A Standard Work Day for Highway Superintendent Scott Yaw and Bookkeeper Billie Jo Carnes-which is now a New York State Requirement-Board needs to see A Breakdown of Time Worked, since both Employees Started their' jobs. Billie Jo Carnes will Research Requirements-TABLED.

-CODE OFFICER SEARCH:

-Councilman Smith has someone in mind, if the Town is interested in hiring someone Full-Time

-Town of Reading Supervisor, Steve Miller, sent an Application for someone, if the Town of Dix is interested in Sharing a Code Officer.

-The Town Board will consider ALL Options.

RESOLUTION #27: TO CHANGE THE BOARD MEETING DAY TO THE 2<sup>ND</sup> MONDAY OF THE MONTH AND CHANGE THE TIME OF THE MEETING TO 6:30 PM.

On Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Meehan, Resolution was APPROVED: AYES:5 NAYES: 0

On Motion by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Meehan, Board Meeting was AJOURNED: 8:12 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED-----Helen J Teed  
Town Clerk, Town of Dix