

TOWN OF DIX REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OCTOBER 13, 2021

The Regular Town 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  
Superintendent of Highways Scott Yaw  
Dix Town Justice Kristina Vondracek

REPORTS:

- Supervisor Russell
  - Meeting with Fagan Contractors about New Town Hall-will put out bid by the end of the year-Start Building by Spring-Paid for by Building Fund and NEXTERA Money
  - New Solar Farm proposed for Moreland Area
  - EFP Seminar
  - Meeting with Tim O'Hern-County will pay costs of the November Election
  - Meeting with Tom Bloodgood and 3 Supervisors about Shared-Services
  - Dominick Smith and Harold Russell will meet with the Village of Watkins Glen Mayor
  - Meeting with Ford Associates
  - Full-Time Highway Employees-Catherine and another Town giving \$5,000 to each Covid Money (ARPA Funds)-Same for Dix Highway Employees?
- Deputy Supervisor Hammond
  - Talked to Supervisor Dave Scott from Montour Falls about sharing Code Enforcement Person-Code Officer said NO.
  - Sent to the Village of Montour Falls, their Code Officer has 2 Deputies that are learning to be Code Officers-No, right now.
- Bookkeeper Billie Jo Carnes
  - Reading Code Officer put in his application to work in the Town of Dix too. Dennis Tremblay is his name. Councilman Smith will interview him.
  - Meter Reading for the Town Hall, usually 1 Unit-8 Units this Month
    - Probably because the Auditors are here.
  - Called the Contractor to Fix the Water System at the Business Park per Martin Pierce A Fuse Needed Replaced-Think About Hiring Our Own Water Operator?
- Superintendent of Highways Yaw
  - Vote on a Road-Use Agreement with the Watkins Glen International Solar Farm
    - Need to Be Covered!
  - Shared-Services with Town of Montour Falls, Schuyler County, Town of Reading, and Town of Hector
  - Hauled in Sand for Winter from Padua
  - Both #10 and #12 Freightliners went to Batavia for Recalls, some repairs.
  - Town Workers have been Ditching and Pulling Shoulders
  - Finished Road Projects
  - Mowing Season is Complete
  - Installed Culvert Pipes that were Bad

- Superintendent of Highways Yaw
  - Duval Road-Private Road-5 MW Solar Installation
  - Solar Company says NYSEG won't hook up to the Solar Array unless it's a Town Road
  - want the Town to build the road and take it over-say that they'll pay for the road after it's done-3,000-foot Road, Dead-End
  - Have the Owner or Solar Company Build the Road Themselves, Using Official Road Specs To be a Full-Time Year-Round Road
  - Kelly Woodard has put in his 2-week notice, Town will have to hire a new Town Highway Employee-Advertise for a New Employee
- Code Officer-No Report
- Planning Board-Agenda Sent In
- Zoning Board of Appeals-Nothing
- Town Court-41 Cases, for \$2,393.00
- Committee Representatives:
  - Environmental Management Council-Councilman Hertel-Nothing
  - Fire Departments-Councilman Smith-Nothing
  - Landfill-Councilman Meehan-No Meeting-Have to Change Meeting Night-was Wednesday's
- Animal Shelter Report-Presented and Filed

RESOLUTION# 38: TO APPROVE THE TOWN CLERK'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

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

RESOLUTION# 39: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 2021 MEETING

On Motion by Deputy Supervisor Hammond, seconded by Supervisor Russell, Resolution was APPROVED: AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

RESOLUTION# 40: TO APPROVE THE Audit for September 2021 (EXCEPT THE HARTER-SECRET & EMERY LLP BILL)

On Motion by Councilman Hertel, seconded by Councilman Meehan, Resolution was APPROVED: AYES: 4 NAYES: 1 (SUPERVISOR RUSSELL)

General Fund-Town Wide	2222-2242	\$ 6,139.90
(Harter Seacrest & Emery LLP taken out-\$1,566.00)		
General Fund-Outside Village	2236-2241	\$ 493.09
Highway Fund-Town Wide	1528-1540	\$ 11,876.30
Highway Fund-Outside Village	1541-1542	\$122,045.68
Special Water Fund	427-429	\$ 1,207.97
Trust & Agency	306-310	\$ 6,100.11

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS: TABLED-October 2020 to Present (October 2021)

-October, November, and December 2020 are done, but not Approved Yet.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 9/17/21-Nancy Falcetta's Father Parking in the Town of Dix's Parking Lot during Bad Weather?
  - No-If 1 is OK'd, all will have to be OK'd-won't be able to plow the Parking Lot.
- 9/15/21-Municipal Bootcamp 2021-9/23/21
- 9/16/21-US Department of Treasury-AARP Funding-9/28/21-5:30 to 7 PM
- 9/21/21-Received, and Sent to Board, Montour Falls Fire Department Budget
- 9/22/21-Changed Time of Board Meeting to 7 PM-Court on Wednesday Too!
- 9/22/21Democratic Party looking for Democrat Inspectors for Election Day in Beaver Dams (District 3)
- 9/23/21-Received, and Sent to Board, Draft of Town of Hector Proposed Zoning Law

- 9/23/21-WIIA Grant Applications Now Available
- 9/23/21-Regular Board Meeting for 10/11/21 Changed to 10/13/21@ 7 PM-Court Same Evening
- 9/27/21-Virtual Public Hearing for the Watkins Glen Solar Project-50-Megawatts
- 9/29/21-Brian Coolican-Chemung Canal-Signers Information and Board Resolution
- 9/30/21-Planning and Zoning Training-10/14/21
- 9/29/21 & 10/4/21-Energy Code Enforcement Training-10/5/21 and 11/10/21
- 10/5/21-Comprehensive Broadband Letter

OLD BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION# 41:240-2020 A RESOLUTION TO REPORT STANDARD WORK DAY FOR HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT SCOTT YAW-36 TO 38 HOURS PER WEEK

On Motion by Supervisor Russell, seconded by Councilman Hertel, Resolution was

APPROVED:                   AYES: 5                   NAYES: 0

WHEREAS, THE NYS Comptroller has adopted revised regulations for reporting days worked by elected and appointed officials to the New York State and Local Retirement System; and

WHEREAS, anyone not participating in the Town's time keeping system has prepared and submitted a log of their work-related activities for 3 consecutive months; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that this RESOLUTION has no material impact on Town Finances;

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, THAT THE Town of Dix hereby establishes the following standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activity maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body.

Billie Jo Carnes signed-off Reporting.

(A copy of Highway Superintendent Yaw's New York State Sheet with Hours on It goes here)

RESOLUTION # 42: TO OVERRIDE THE TAX CAP FOR THE 2022 BUDGET

On Motion by Supervisor Russell, seconded by Councilman Smith, Resolution was

APPROVED:                   AYES: 5                   NAYES: 0

Go with Previous Resolution to Change to Chemung Canal for the Town of Dix Banking from Community Bank.

ADJOURNED: 8:48 PM

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