

Minutes

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

June 17, 2021

Workshop 6:30pm to discuss the CARES Act

All stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Supervisor: John T. Walgus: present
Councilperson: Theresa A. Girome: present
Councilperson: Gloria J. Tomaszewski: present
Councilperson: Robert O. Dingman: present
Councilperson: Seth H. Howard: present

Others present:

Highway Supervisor: Daniel H. Ackley
Town Clerk: Denise M. Trumpore
Jack Broyles

Supervisor John T. Walgus: * Last year, Direct Securities was the lowest bidder for security cameras, I am going to contact them and make sure the bid price is still good. * The town pickup needs to be replaced, I asked Dan to look into purchasing a new one. * Last year the building inspector informed me that the windows upstairs are about to fall out and we will need to do some fixing up on the building soon. * I want to thank Denise and Bob for filling in for me while I was not here, I really appreciate them stepping up to the plate and handling it, it means a lot to me. * I noticed a correction that needs to be made to the minutes from May 13th; the councilmen should be present not absent. * Happy birthday to Gloria this month.

Highway Superintendent Daniel H. Ackley: * Read highway bills. * As you can see from the bills, we worked on the Mack, backhoe, and pickup. * Most of the roadside mowing is done. * We will be doing a little paving on Point Peter Road. * We got enough stone left over from the CHIPS project to stone Skinner Hollow Road to the dead end. * Cleaned out the trash rack. * We are going to work on painting the white doors on the shop. * About \$949 will be carried over to next years CHIPS money. * As to date, I am waiting for a municipal discount bid sheet for prices on a new pickup.

Councilperson Theresa A. Girome: * no report.

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Councilperson Robert O. Dingman: *I want to say it is great to have our supervisor back. * I have paid the pre-pays and have processed payroll. * I ask for a resolution to accept the financial statement from Bahgat & Laurito Bahgat. * I received word from Blue Cross/Blue Shield about a proposed premium rate increase of 18% for 2022. In light of this, I recommend we send a letter objecting to the increase. * I attended a meeting at the village in regards to the marijuana regulation and taxation. The three entities involved in the meeting came to the same conclusion which is to opt out of the adult use cannabis retail dispensaries and on-site consumption sites. * I will need a resolution to except the scrap monies highway received, the modification will increase the Highway Fund Town Wide 2021 expenditure budget by \$509.00 which represents the sale of scrap materials. * I would like a resolution to have a Public hearing on passing Local Law 2021-2 which would be opting out of Adult Use Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites. * I have passed out an article from 2019 titled "Marijuana, Mental Illness and Violence". I find that we should not participate in or endorse this new New York State law . It is my strong opinion that we don't's sell out to this. * There will be a ZOOM meeting on June 21st with Senator Borrello. * There will be a Harrassment & Discrimination annual training webinar on July 20th and you register online with NIMIR.

Councilperson Seth H. Howard: * Read general bills. * Since I now work when the ambulance holds their meetings, I can attend via ZOOM, yesterdays meeting I caught the last part and learned that they are putting the ambulance that was donated by Gernatt's on Auctions International because it is too big. * I would like to have a workshop next month on July 8th at 6:00pm to discuss the CARES Act.

Councilperson Gloria J. Tomaszewski: * I stopped in at the town hall for Grievance Day on June 1st.

Assessor Kate Harrington: (by email) * The Tentative Roll was created May 1st. The public can view it at <https://www.cattco.org/real-property-and-gls/assessment-rolls> * Completed training "Reading and Understanding Deeds". This course covered the details of deeds and focus on ownership determinations as related to exemption eligibility determinations. * Added no property transfers for the month of April. These cannot be added until July 1st.

Town Clerk Denise M. Trumpore: *

Total transactions for May: 92

Total Collected: \$ 2,249.00

Towns Portion: \$ **1,289.46**

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*I ask for a resolution to accept the minutes from May 13th.

RESOLUTION # 44 Audit of Claims

On a motion of Councilperson Howard
Seconded by Councilperson Girome
The following was
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Girome, Tomaszewski, Dingman, Walgus
NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED that the bills contained on Abstract #6 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:
Abstract 6 – General Vouchers # 79 to # 96 Total: \$ 2,345.09
Abstract – Highway Vouchers # 29 to # 40 Total: \$ 91,113.71**

RESOLUTION #45 Approval of Minutes

On a motion of Councilperson Girome
Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Girome, Tomaszewski, Howard, Dingman, Walgus
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to approve the minutes from May 13th with correction made to note councilmen present.

RESOLUTION # 46 Financial Report

On a motion of Councilperson Howard
Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Tomaszewski, Girome, Dingman, Walgus
NAYS - 0

RESOLVED to accept the financial report for May 2021.

RESOLUTION # 47 Budget Modification

On a motion of Councilperson Howard
Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski
ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Tomaszewski, Girome, Dingman, Walgus
NAYS – 0

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RESOLVED to increase the Highway Fund Town Wide 2021 expenditure budget by \$509.00 which represents the sale of scrap materials. This will increase accounts DA2650 – Sales of Scrap Materials and DA5130.4 – Machinery – Contratual.

RESOLUTION # 48 Local Law 2021-2 - Opting out of Adult Use Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On-Site Consumption Sites.

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Dingman, Girome, Tomaszewski, Howard, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a Public Hearing for comment on Local Law 2021-2 which is opting out of Adult Use Cannabis Retail Dispensaries and On- Site Consumption Sites on July 8th at 7:00pm.

RESOLUTION # 49 Workshop

On a motion of Councilperson Howard

Seconded by Councilperson Dingman

ADOPTED AYES – 5 Howard, Dingman, Tomaszewski, Girome, Walgus

NAYS – 0

RESOLVED to have a workshop on July 8, 2021, at 6:00pm to discuss the CARES Act.

Hearing no objection, Supervisor Walgus closed the meeting in remembrance of William Hojnacki at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise M. Trumpore

Town Clerk

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