

## Minutes

8 West Main Street, Gowanda, NY 14070

May 13, 2021

### Workshop 6:30pm on Highway Dept. figures

#### All stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

#### Roll Call:

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

#### Others present:

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

**Supervisor John T. Walgus:** \* absent

**Highway Superintendent Daniel H. Ackley:** \* Read highway bills. \* Highway is going to oil and stone Point Peter Road from Broadway Road to Forty Road, it is approx. 1.8 miles. \* The DEC has said we cannot clean out the trash rack till June 1<sup>st</sup>, but with this nice weather I may give them a call and see if I can get in there earlier.

**Councilperson Theresa A. Girome:** \* I would like to make a motion to appoint Albert Wilkins of Broadway Road to the Planning & Zoning Board. \* On May 3<sup>rd</sup> I attended the special Planning & Zoning meeting on the Thatcher Brook Mitigation Project, I thank Bob for helping with the minutes.

**Councilperson Robert O. Dingman:** \* I have paid the pre-pays and have processed payroll. \* I ask for a resolution to accept the financial statement from Bahgat & Laurito Bahgat. \* On May 3<sup>rd</sup> the Persia Planning & Zoning Board had a special meeting to discuss the Thatcher Brook Mitigation Project. Trustee Paul Zimmermann from the Village of Gowanda was the

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guest speaker. I have given the board copies of the minutes from this meeting which Councilperson Girome and myself worked on. \* In reading the minutes you will see I am asking for a resolution to designate the Town of Persia Planning and Zoning Board as a "Committee of the Whole" to pursue a potential Watershed Management Agreement by and between the Village of Gowanda and the Towns of Persia, Dayton and Perrysburg in order to achieve an upstream plan for stream maintenance including additional trash racks, trash and deposition removal (dredging of sediment/gravel) and vegetation replacement to achieve increased natural bank stabilization. \* I will contact Jack Searles about the whereabouts of the CARES Act monies that are to be distributed.

**Councilperson Seth H. Howard:** \* On April 20<sup>th</sup>, I attended an ambulance meeting; there was no pertinent information that concerned the town. \* There will be a meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup> where the Community Advisory Board for the prison will meet.

**Councilperson Gloria J. Tomaszewski:** \* Attended via teleconference the Healthy Community Alliance Board meeting on April 28<sup>th</sup>; there are 3 1-bedroom and 1 2-bedroom apartments available. I also have the financial report if anyone would like to see it. \* Attended the Planning and Zoning meeting with Paul Zimmermann on May 3<sup>rd</sup> wherein Paul gave an Update on the Thatcher Brook Mitigation Project. It was informative as to what properties it will affect. \* I make a motion to have a workshop on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm to discuss the CARES Act money.

**Assessor Kate Harrington:** (by email) \* The tentative roll is created May 1<sup>st</sup>. The public can view it at <https://www.cattco.org/real-property-and-gis/assessment-rolls> \* The 2021 Equalization Rate is 68%. \* We will begin holding town hall hours again beginning June 7<sup>th</sup>. For the time being, Assessor's Aide Liz Lerow will be available at your town hall from 8:30 to 11:30 on the first Monday of each month. If in the future, more time is needed we will revisit the frequency of our hours (bi-weekly or weekly), taking pandemic conditions into account. \* three transfers were added for the month of March.

**Town Clerk Denise M. Trumpore:** \*

Total transactions for April: 123

Total Collected: \$ 1,795.00

Towns Portion: \$ **797.39**

\*I ask for a resolution to accept the minutes from April 8<sup>th</sup>. \* I am asking for the next board meeting to be changed from June 10<sup>th</sup> to June 17<sup>th</sup>, it would greatly help me in getting ready for the meeting since I will be coming back from vacation on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

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**RESOLUTION # 37 Audit of Claims**

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski  
Seconded by Councilperson Howard  
The following was  
ADOPTED AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Howard, Girome, Dingman  
NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED that the bills contained on Abstract #5 for General and Highway have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:  
Abstract 5 – General Vouchers # 65 to # 78 Total: \$ 4,200.30  
Abstract 5- Highway Vouchers # 20 to # 28 Total: \$ 2,932.78**

**RESOLUTION #38 Approval of Minutes**

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski  
Seconded by Councilperson Girome  
ADOPTED AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Girome, Howard, Dingman  
NAYS - 0

**RESOLVED to approve the minutes from April 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**RESOLUTION # 39 Financial Report**

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski  
Seconded by Councilperson Girome  
ADOPTED AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Girome, Howard, Dingman  
NAYS - 0

**RESOLVED to accept the financial report for April 2021.**

**RESOLUTION # 40 Albert Wilkins**

On a motion of Councilperson Girome  
Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski  
ADOPTED AYES – 4 Girome, Tomaszewski, Howard, Dingman  
NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED to appoint Albert Wilkins to the Planning & Zoning Board.**

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**RESOLUTION # 41 Watershed Management Agreement**

On a motion of Councilperson Dingman

Seconded by Councilperson Howard

ADOPTED     AYES – 4 Dingman, Howard, Girome, Tomaszewski  
                  NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED to appoint the Planning and Zoning Board to pursue a potential Watershed Management Agreement with the Village of Gowanda and the Towns of Dayton and Perrysburg.**

**RESOLUTION # 42 Change board meeting date for June.**

On a motion of Councilperson Girome

Seconded by Councilperson Tomaszewski

ADOPTED     AYES – 4 Girome, Tomaszewski, Howard, Dingman  
                  NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED to change the board meeting date in June from the 10<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**RESOLUTION # 43 Workshop**

On a motion of Councilperson Tomaszewski

Seconded by Councilperson Girome

ADOPTED     AYES – 4 Tomaszewski, Girome, Howard, Dingman  
                  NAYS – 0

**RESOLVED to have a workshop on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm to discuss the CARES Act money.**

Hearing no objection, Deputy Supervisor Dingman closed the meeting at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise M. Trumpore

Town Clerk

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