

Regular Town Board Meeting
November 17, 2022

Present: Supervisor, David DiSalvo; Deputy Supervisor, Don Huff Councilmember; Councilmember, Nate Guzzardi; Councilmember, Jeff Coniglio

Also Present: Sam Cipriano, Highway Superintendent; Terri McKerrow, Accountant; Chelsey Woodworth, Town Clerk; Kitt Cerone, Refuse Supervisor

Others Present: Community Members – David DiPasquale; Wayde Snyder; Jim Olver; Carlton Perry

At 6:30pm Supervisor DiSalvo opened the Town Board meeting at the Mount Morris Town Hall, 103 Main Street, Mount Morris, NY. Clerk Woodworth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- OCTOBER 20, 2022

The Board reviewed the minutes of last month's meeting on October 20, 2022. A motion was made by Councilmember Huff, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio, to approve the minutes from the meeting on October 20, 2022.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 01, 2022

The Board reviewed the minutes for the special meeting on November 01, 2022. Councilmember Coniglio advised the clerk of two necessary changes to the minutes. A motion was made by Councilmember Guzzardi, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio, to approve the minutes from the meeting on November 01, 2022, with the necessary changes.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

VOTE LOCAL LAWS:

Local Law to provide the Taxation of Real Property owned by a certain corporation and Organizations pursuant to Section 420-b of the Real Property Tax Law

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio, to approve the local law to provide Taxation of Real Property.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

Local Law to address unsafe buildings in the Town of Mt. Morris

A motion was made by Councilmember Guzzardi, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Huff, to approve the Local Law to address unsafe buildings.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

TRANSFER STATION

Clerk Woodworth brought to the boards attention that the bid the Town sent out for dumpster services for the transfer station was incorrect. In the bid it asked for a quote for residential garbage pickup. Clerk Woodworth is concerned that the town may have not received many quotes due to this.

Councilmember Guzzardi recommended that the Town call Casella’s and Scofield’s to see if they would provide a quote for the dumpsters. He felt that the vote should be tabled until the Town receives more bids. The board agreed.

Clerk informed the board that E-Waste Plus a company that takes electronics informed her of a new law in New York State effective January 1, 2023 that would make it illegal for refuse centers to charge for electronics to be disposed of. E-Waste said that they would be able to take electronics from the Town starting in January.

Councilmember Guzzardi asked Kit Cerone if the light at the transfer station was fixed. Kit said that it still wasn’t working and that they may need to hire an electrician. Superintendent Cipriano believes it needs to be replaced with a new unit. Supervisor DiSalvo asked Superintendent Cipriano to order a new one.

Councilmember Guzzardi would like his grandson and friend to work at the transfer station for their community service project removing cardboard from refuse center that was brought from the furniture store.

Councilmember Guzzardi thinks the transfer station should charge the furniture store to dispose of their cardboard because it is so hard to get rid of. In order to charge them properly he thinks we should compute hours spent on disposing if it and come up with a price.

WATER DISTRICT #2 DISCUSSION

Supervisor DiSalvo informed the board that J.P from MRB has not responded about the water district discussion.

SUPERVISOR’S REPORT

Accountant McKerrow reported that we the Town has advanced two payments to the ambulance, who struggles to meet monthly bill obligations. Currently there are no other options as operation money is needed.

Accountant McKerrow brought a list of outstanding checks to the board. She asked the board to approve checks for Jennifer Thomas and Christie Murphey to be reissued because they are payroll checks.

Accountant McKerrow asked the board to approve all the uncashed vendor checks to be voided because the vendors would have billed the Town if money was owed.

A motion was made by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Huff, to issue the new payroll checks and void the uncashed vendor checks.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

Accountant McKerrow also informed the board that the Town had used more from the sewer fund than planned so she had to transfer money into that account.

Accountant McKerrow informed the board that she needs to transfer money to the ambulance from the reserve fund

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to make a transfer from the reserve fund to the ambulance.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion was made by Councilmember Huff , seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi to approve the Supervisors Report for the month of October.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

AMBULANCE REPORT

Calls in the month of October

Transport Calls		Non -Transport Calls		Type	
ALS Transport:	25	Standby:	05	Status:	104
BLS Transport:	39	Cancellation:	15	No Status:	29
Inmate Transport:	04	Treat/Release:	16	Total:	133
Total:	133		36		
Vehicles:	<u>4381</u>		<u>4382</u>		
Mileage:	049,040		046,110		
Service:	050,000		051,000		

Deputy Supervisor Huff would like the board to receive the ambulance report every month. He stated that he is worried about the ambulance and thinks the town is losing too much money. He thinks it would be beneficial to look at the calls made and the times that calls were made. He believes that the Town may find that they can remove a shift in order to save money.

Supervisor DiSalvo asked Accountant McKerrow to print off the ambulance report for all the board members monthly.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Highway Superintendent Cipriano informed the board that Spallina provided a quote for the cost to pave Short Tract Rd. Superintendent Cipriano feels it needs to be done next year. He also mentioned that it might be a good idea to widen the road when they pave it. Supervisor DiSalvo asked for the length that needed to be widened. Highway Supervisor Cipriano said about 8160 ft.

Superintendent Cipriano also thinks the road should be lined when it gets paved. He feels it would be beneficial to at least put a center line.

Supervisor DiSalvo requested that Superintendent Cipriano also get a quote from Spallina for expanding the width of the Road to 24ft.

Community member Jim Olverd asked to speak and made a recommendation to the board. He recommended for the board to look into having the road turned into a county road. He said this was brought up years ago and people were against it. He feels it may be a more favorable solution now since the road is in such disrepair.

Superintendent Cipriano asked the board if they were aware of the large mulch fire that happened on Sand Hill Rd. He informed the board that this type of fire has happened multiple times. He would like the board to investigate making a law prohibiting large amounts of mulch on private property. The last fire was so large they had to have ten fire trucks to fight the fire and

it kept reigniting due to spontaneous combustion. Supervisor DiSalvo asked Superintendent Cipriano to reach out to Ed Russel at Underberg and Kessler to see what he recommends.

Superintendent Cipriano informed the board that the highway department is ready for winter. They have one backup truck, and the salt is set to arrive on the 21st of November.

He also informed the board that the gas line for the generator has still not been installed.

Supervisor DiSalvo informed Superintendent that EDF will be in town next week and want to talk to him about the roads.

Supervisor DiSalvo informed the board that Empire Access was approved for all their permits to run lines for highspeed internet throughout the Town.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

A motion was made by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi, to approve the Clerks Report for the month of October.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

Clerk Woodworth informed the board that Red Cross Blood would like to have a blood drive at the Town Hall on January 10th 2023 from 11am – 4pm

A motion was made by Supervisor DiSalvo, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio, to have a blood drive at the Town Hall on January 10th from 11am-4pm

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

Clerk Woodworth advised the board that she received a quote from Hurricane for the new server that is needed with the Edmunds water system. Clerk Woodworth advised the board that she would like to get more quotes before a decision is made.

DONATION FOR CHRISTMAS IN MOUNT MORRIS

The Mount Morris Rotary has requested a donation from the Town for Christmas in Mount Morris. Clerk Woodworth informed the board that they gave a \$250 last year.

A motion was made by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi, to give a \$250 donation for Christmas in Mount Morris.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

VOUCHERS/ AUDIT OF CLAIMS

Abstract 11, Year 2022 and related vouchers were reviewed by the Town Board. A motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Council Member Guzzardi to approve Vouchers 331-354 on General A Abstract in the amount of \$65,755.07.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Huff to approve Vouchers 50-51 on General B Abstract in the amount of \$94.12

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion by Councilmember Guzzardi, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to approve Vouchers 108-114 on the Highway DA Abstract in the amount of \$15,600.64

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Council Member Guzzardi to approve Vouchers 33-35 on the Highway DB Abstract in the amount of \$13,597.73

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi to approve Vouchers 36-37 on the Recycling SR Abstract in the amount of \$2394.37

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion by Councilmember Guzzardi, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Huff to approve Voucher 15 on the Sewer SS Abstract in the amount of \$143.12

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to approve Vouchers 28-29 on the Sewer SW Abstract in the amount of \$7,534.99

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

Total Abstract 11 \$102,277.64

Accountant McKerrow informed the board that she needed to move a voucher from account A4540.4 on Abstract 10 in the amount of \$165.71 to account A1620.4

A motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to move the voucher to the correct account.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

Town resident Carlton Perry is concerned because he heard rumors that the Town Board is contemplating closing the end of Creveling Rd that goes down the hill down into Tuscarora.

Supervisor DiSalvo informed Mr. Perry that EDF Renewables asked for that end of the road to be closed temporarily.

Clerk Woodworth clarified that they are saying it's temporary but it's for two years while they build the solar farm.

Mr. Perry doesn't understand why the road can't be maintained. He said that it hasn't been repaved since Joe Cappadonia was in Superintendent. The paving lasted awhile and would have lasted much longer if it were maintained. As a taxpayer would like to see it opened and maintained .

Wade Snyder informed the board that he still has an ongoing issue with the lady next door because of her garbage. He has been getting a lot of rats in his house due to the this. He feels nothing is being done about it. He is also not sure how she is allowed to have chickens in her house as it is unsanitary.

Snyder said that he called health department and they said that her house could most likely be condemned if its that bad and the enforcement officer need as to investigate it more.

Supervisor DiSalvo asked for Mr. Snyder's number and the Supervisor said he will check with the attorney.

Supervisor DiSalvo received two letters for interest for the open board position. They received a letter of interest from Dave DiPasquale and Chad Woodworth. The appointment will be decided at the December 15th meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Councilmember Guzzardi, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to enter into Executive Session at 7:18pm

Vote: Aye 5 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion was made by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi to exit Executive Session at 7:33pm.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

A motion was made by Councilmember Guzzardi, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to adjourn this meeting.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Guzzardi, Coniglio)
 No 0
 Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Chelsey Woodworth
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

