

Town of Greenville

TOWN BOARD MEETING

December 19th, 2022 7:00pm

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on Monday, December 19th, 2022 at 7:00 pm at Pioneer Hall. Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 pm.

All members of the Board were present. Attorney Tal Rappleyea was present via teleconference. Also present were department Heads: Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, Deputy Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton, Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald, CEO Mark Overbaugh, Planning Board Chair/Town Historian Don Teator were present. Additionally, District #4 County Legislator Greg Davis was present along with 6 other in person guests and 1 teleconference guest.

Meeting Minutes from: the regularly scheduled monthly meeting on November 21, 2022 were put up for approval. *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to approve the meeting minutes from the regularly scheduled monthly Town Board meeting held on November 21, 2022.*

Carried 5 ayes

Old Business

Monthly department reports were given for Rescue, Highway, Building and Grounds, Code Enforcement, Sewer, Water, Recycling, Assessor, Planning Board and Beautification.

Rescue – Matt Marlow read the year to date and monthly reports aloud. The call volume for 2022 was substantially higher than 2021, about 2/3 of them being mutual aid calls.

Highway – Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley reported that the highway department has been focusing on adjusting the plows on the trucks and performing minor repairs from the 3 storms that required plowing. There is now enough wood stockpiled to heat the highway garage through the winter. In November there was discussion about shopping for a new truck to use as a daily driver, so far five estimates have been gathered. Mr. Dudley is leaning towards getting a 2WD F-150 but no commitments have been made at this time.

Building & Grounds – Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald reported that the park decorations in Veterans Park are now complete, the public has provided a lot of positive feedback on the lights. They have continued doing routine checks of all of the buildings daily. Some of the window screens at the library have been replaced. A pallet of ice-melt has been ordered to help manage price fluctuations and supply availability throughout the season. *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to purchase a new snowblower for 2023.* *Carried 5 ayes*

Code Enforcement – CEO Mark Overbaugh read out the monthly report and mentioned that he has completed all continuing education for 2023.

Sewer – Renee Hamilton reported that the generator has been alarming recently, Mr. Bensen will go to evaluate it.

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Water – Deputy Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton reported that the plant is running well. They have replaced the LED lights at Plant B. Piping to the new tower is underway. *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen for 2023 Deputy Water Superintendent Zack McGrath to attend home courses for Plant Ops 2 B, C & D for \$535 and the \$100 lab fee that will need to be completed within the next year. Carried 5 ayes* Supervisor Macko reported that Water Superintendent Leroy Bear will be retiring at the close of 2022 and will work per diem until Mr. McGrath completes the necessary coursework to cover plant operations in the event that Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton is unavailable.

Recycling – The Board discussed the upcoming holiday dates and decided that the recycling center would be closed on December 26th and January 2nd in observance of Christmas and New Years. Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley reported that the new dumpster should arrive soon to store the tires.

Assessor – Supervisor Macko read the report provided by the Assessor’s office. They are geared up to accept exemption applications.

Planning Board – Planning Board Chair Don Teator reported that there is a potential buyer for the parcel in front of the Town Park. The potential buyers were seeking PB input on the possibility of building a dental/professional building on the lot. There was also discussion about the Over Yondr music fest returning to Greenville in 2023.

Beautification – Supervisor Macko reported that things are calm. The park decorations look great and have received a lot of compliments from the public. The Santa meet and greet went well.

District #4 Legislator – Greg Davis thanked Barb Walter and Deb Von Atzingen for their efforts in the NY Forward application. He also reported that there are groups that are trying to shut down Seneca Meadows (the landfill where our waste is hauled). If this were to go through our waste would have to be hauled by train to Ohio.

New Business

Land Surveyor – The Great Outdoors Land Surveying Company has provided a tentative contract to survey the donated land for the Rescue Squad building. Their services would cost ~\$2,900 and would include the surveying as well as helping with the Planning Board. Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to sign the contract with The Great Outdoors Land Surveying Company to survey the donated land to put up a building for Rescue Squad. Carried 5 ayes

Co-Greene Humane Society – *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to sign the 2023 contract from Columbia Greene Human Society to house dogs collected by the DCO. Carried 5 ayes*

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Water Rates – Town Attorney Tal Rappleyea advised the Board that it is necessary to hold a public hearing to increase the water rates. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Richards to hold a public hearing regarding increasing water rates on January 16, 2023 at 6:30pm. Carried 5 ayes*

County ARPA Funds – A reminder was received by the County Administrator’s office for the Town to submit a resolution stating what the ARPA funds that the County has promised the Town will be used for. *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to hold a special meeting on December 27th, 2022 at 6:00pm to adopt a resolution on the County provided ARPA funds. Carried 5 ayes*

County EMS Contract – There has been a \$600 increase on the County EMS contract for 2023. *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to accept the 2023 County EMS Contract. Carried 5 ayes*

Organizational Resolutions meeting – Supervisor Macko reminded the Board and meeting attendees that the Organizational Resolutions meeting will be held on January 2nd, 2023 at 6pm.

Freehold Solar – Mr. Content has again expressed his concern to the Town Board about the excessive water on his land from the Rt 32 Freehold Solar project. Supervisor Macko reported that he has not heard anything back from Delaware Engineering but will be following up with them regarding this issue.

Executive Session – *Councilman Richard motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to go into executive session to discuss employee benefits at 7:53pm. Carried 5 ayes*

Regular Session – *Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to go back into regular session at 8:39pm. Carried 5 ayes*

Supervisor’s Report – *After prior review Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to accept the Supervisor’s report. Carried 5 ayes*

Audit of Monthly Bills –

Councilman Richards motioned, seconded by Councilman Von Atzingen to pay the following bills:

- Bills 458-498 on General Abstract #12 for \$62,012.35*
- Bills 116-130 on Sewer Abstract #12 for \$99,695.05*
- Bills 194-217 on Highway Abstract #12 for \$336,661.37*
- Bills 116-129 on Water Abstract #12 for \$503,951.04*
- Bill 12 on Greenville Lighting II Abstract #12 for \$381.66*
- Bill 12 on Greenville Lighting I Abstract #12 for \$860.25*
- Bill 12 on Freehold Lighting Abstract #12 for \$931.70*
- Bills 6-7 on Sidewalk & Window Abstract #11 for \$2,765.76*
- Bills 17-18 on ARPA Abstract #12 for \$58,889.32*

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There being no further business this meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Jessica K. Lewis, Town Clerk-Collector

_____ Supervisor Macko

_____ Councilman Bear

_____ Councilman Richards

_____ Councilman Bensen

_____ Councilman William J. Von Atzingen