

Town of Greenville

TOWN BOARD MEETING

April 17th, 2023 7:00pm

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Greenville was held on April 17, 2023 at 7:00pm at Pioneer Hall. This meeting was accessible via teleconference as well. Supervisor Macko opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00pm. Immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance Supervisor Macko lead the meeting in a moment of silence to honor Walt Ingalls stating he was heavily involved in many aspects of our community and he will be deeply missed.

All Board members were present. Councilman Richards arrived at 7:23pm. Attorney Tal Rappleyea was also present along with departments heads: CEO Mark Overbaugh, Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, DCO Justin Case, Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald, Planning Board Chair/Town Historian Don Teator. District #4 County Legislator Greg Davis was present along with 10 in person guests. No guests were present via teleconference.

Meeting minutes – *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to approve the meeting minutes from the Public Hearing regarding Water Rates and the Monthly Meeting both held on March 20, 2023. Carried 4 ayes*

Eagle Scout Project – Supervisor Macko asked that the Board deviate from the agenda to hear an Eagle Scout Project Presentation by Nathaniel Storrs. Mr. Storrs intends to restore the town-maintained gravesite on Route 41. He intends to repair or remove the gate, repair the stone wall, re-set graves, research who is buried there to create signage to honor them and to clean/restore the graves that are illegible. He approximates 500-1000 man hours going into this project. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to approve Mr. Storrs Eagle Scout Project as present. Carried 4 ayes*

Old Business

Rescue Squad – Chief of Operations Matt Marlow read the monthly call report (attached). He also mentioned that on May 15th the prom night presentation will be held at the high school.

Highway – Superintendent Mike Dudley read the attached monthly report of the highway department. Superintendent Dudley also submitted the necessary documentation to the Board to publish for black top bids. The Board and Mr. Dudley discussed that it would be best to solicit bids sooner than later in hopes of getting put on contractors' schedule sooner. Highway Superintendent submitted bid requests for Blacktop in Place (~2,250 US tons, type 6-12.5mm), to be published in the Catskill Daily Mail on April 22nd, 2023. *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to advertise for the Blacktop in Place bids as presented, to be opened on May 1st, 2023. Carried 5 ayes*

Building & Grounds – Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald reported that he and Cliff have been repairing the roadside damage from plowing over the winter, laying grass seed at the parks, servicing all mowers and small engines, and preparing the cemeteries for mowing. Mr. Fitzgerald had Ideal Wiring Solutions quote the electrical upgrades necessary to install the fountain in the pond—stating if the Board approves the quote tonight they will be able to work on installing the fountain this week.

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Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to approve the \$2000 quote to install the found and the necessary electrical upgrades by Ideal Wiring Solution. Carried 5 ayes

Code Enforcement – CEO Mark Overbaugh read off the monthly permit report stating that there were 32 inspections done, 7 permits and 4 titled searches.

Sewer – Renee Hamilton reported that there were phone issues at the plant that have been resolved. Two new pumps were installed.

Water – Water Superintendent Renee Hamilton reported that the meter head on well three will remain down until the exposed wires are repaired. Some of the necessary parts have been ordered to repair the hydrant that got hit by the elementary school driveway. Supervisor Macko reported that there was a contractor's meeting to discuss the water project progress (detailed report attached). *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Richards to approve the three day tech training be attended by Renee Hamilton and Zach McGrath for \$598. Carried 5 ayes*

Recycling – Supervisor Macko stated that things were running well and that the signs for the cardboard dumpster have been updated.

Assessor – Supervisor Macko read the attached Assessor's office report.

Planning Board – Chair Don Teator read the attached report.

Dog Control – DCO Justin Case reported that he will be attended a course on mean dog handling later this month. He also reiterated the need for an updated dog law, explaining that as things are set up now he is unable to enforce anything on any dog related incident or dog licensing issue. Supervisor Macko stated that a Dog Law Committee has been created and samples of dog laws have been distributed to those members.

Beautification – Barbara Walter reminded the Board that the ARPA money that is remaining needs to be spent (on roofs and utilities as previously discussed). Bill VonAtzingen said that he is waiting for a lift to work with a structural engineer on the bell tower of Prevost Hall. CPOG will be covering the \$6800 cost of the engineering study. May 6th will be trail clean up day at the park. CPOG informed the Board that the cost of the necessary insurance coverage for Greenville Day is too much for them to carry. In order to continue Greenville Day at the size it has been for the past few years it would be best for the Town to take over the event and work alongside of CPOG and community groups alive to make it more affordable and sustainable. There was brief discussion about creating a position at the Town for an event planner/coordinator to be the hub of all community events that the Town is involved in. CPOG will be applying to Iroquois Pipeline for a grant to improve the drainage south of the new pavilion at the park. *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen for CPOG to get estimates for both barns' roofs, Prevost Hall roof and the utilities to be run to the new pavilion. Carried 5 ayes*

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District #4 County Legislator – Greg Davis reported that Greenville is mentioned in the Great Northern Catskills Guide from Greene County Tourism. Commercial solar PILOTS may change. There is still no State budget adopted.

New Business

Honor-a-vet – Greene County Veterans Service Agency has sent out a memo (attached) announcing that they will be honoring a veteran from Greenville on May 20, 2023 at 10:00am at the Warehouse in Catskill.

Polling Place – Greene County Board of Elections has changed the polling place in Greenville to the North Barn at Vanderbilt Park. There is no primary in Greenville this year making this change effective at the November election.

Water Rates – The following resolution was passed:

WHEREAS the Town of Greenville Town Board held Public Hearings regarding raising water rates that opened on January 16, 2023 and continued/closed on February 20, 2023

WHEREAS the Town of Greenville Town Board held an additional Public Hearing regarding the same on March 20, 2023

WHEREAS the Town of Greenville town board now wishes to increase the municipal water rates to be put in effect for the April 2023 water billing cycle

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Greenville hereby raises the municipal water rates to \$70 for the use of 10,000 gallons and under for both commercial and residential users

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the Town board of the Town of Greenville hereby raises the water rates to \$7 per 1,000 gallons of water used over 10,000 gallons for both commercial and residential users

Resolution offered by Councilman Bensen, seconded by Councilman Bear, and carried.

VOTING:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT/OTHER
SUPERVISOR MACKO	X		
COUNCILMAN BEAR	X		
COUNCILMAN BENSEN	X		
COUNCILMAN RICHARDS	X		
COUNCILMAN VONATZINGEN	X		

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Going forward water rates will be addressed on a yearly basis to prevent such a major increase at one time.

Concerts – Debbie VonAtzingen informed the Board that the grant towards the Summer Concert Series from the Arts Council was cut in half this year (only granting Greenville \$2,500). The concerts will be every Tuesday from July 11 – August 22 this year. Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by *Councilman Richards to contribute \$3,000 towards the Summer Concert Series.* Carried 5 ayes

NY Forward – The grant writing committee met with economic development to follow up on how to improve Greenville’s application in the next round. There need to be more shovel-ready projects—this means that design, estimates and budgeting should be presented. Overall this last round of applications was very competitive according to EDC.

IT – Edmunds Govtech sent quotes for some of their suggested upgrades made during the 2023 budget workshops. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to order and schedule the proposed server and switch quotes totaling \$6,500 received by Edmunds Govtech.* Carried 5 ayes.

JCAP Memo – Supervisor Macko read the attached memo from the Court. *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Richards that the Town will pay the outstanding \$2,900.08 to cover the remainder of the costs to receive the awarded JCAP Grant of \$4,216.21 towards the \$7,116.29 total JCAP application submitted by the Court.* Carried 5 ayes

Yard Sale Days – *Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman VonAtzingen to advertise in the Catskill Daily Mail on May 20th that the Town wide yard sale days will be June 9-11, 2023 please sign up by June 2, 2023 to be included on the map.* Carried 5 ayes

Executive session – *At 8:51pm Councilman VonAtzingen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to go into executive session to discuss land acquisition.* Carried 5 ayes

Regular Session – *At 9:00pm Councilman VonAtzingen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to return to regular session to pay the following bills:*

Bills 148-183 on General Abstract #4 for \$25,693.67

Bills 67-85 on Highway Abstract #4 for \$23,495.70

Bills 35-49 on Sewer Abstract #4 for \$265,565.30

Bills 43-51 on Water Abstract #4 for \$9,017.33

Bill 4 on Greenville Lighting I Abstract #4 for \$774.40

Bill 4 on Greenville Lighting II Abstract #4 for \$315.99

Bill 4 on Freehold Lighting Abstract #4 for \$745.93

Bills 9-11 on ARPA Abstract #4 for \$2,327.88

Bill 1-4 on Capital Budget WD321 Abstract #4 for \$42,870.75

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Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor's Report – *Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear that after prior review to approve the Supervisor's Report. Carried 5 ayes*

There being no further business this meeting was adjourned at 9:09pm

Jessica K. Lewis, Town Clerk-Collector

_____ Supervisor Macko

_____ Councilman Bear

_____ Councilman Richards (7:23pm)

_____ Councilman Bensen

_____ Councilman Von Atzingen

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