***TOWN OF CARROLLTON***

***January 16th, 2024***

***Monthly Meeting 5:30PM***

**Municipal Complex 640 Main Street Limestone, NY 14753**

**Present:** Supv. Bob Rinfrette, Councilman Dan Newbury, Councilman Jay Little, Councilman Lynn Case, Councilman Jeff Case, Bookkeeper Diane Frick, Town Clerk Julie Carlson, Hwy Supt. Mike Fox, CWO /S1&2 Maint. Rick Dixon, CEO/Bldg./Elec. Inspector Lance Jobe, PB Chair Wendy Johnston. PB Member: Ian Clark, Town Attorney Eric Firkel. **Residents:** Tyler Robinson, Don Jacoby. **Not in Attendance:** DCO John Balcarczyk.

Supv. Rinfrette called the Meeting to order at 5:30PM.

**Motion** made by Councilman Newbury, 2nd by Councilman Little to accept the December Monthly Meeting Minutes as written. Rinfrette-aye, Council: Newbury-aye, J. Case-aye, Little-aye. L. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilman L. Case, 2nd by Councilman Little to pay bills presented. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**2023 Bill Presented: 2024 Bills Presented:**

* General 35,279.19 v#286-290 General $ 6,086.90 v#1-17
* Highway $ 3,887.04 v#174-186 Highway $11,505.12 v#1-5
* Sewer 1 $ 149.63 v#27 Sewer 1 $ 380.45 v#1-2
* Sewer 2 $ 1,176.63 v#125-127 Sewer 2 $ 947.15 v#1-5
* Water $ 832.76 v#112-114 Water $ 563.57 v#1-5
* Capital $ -0- Capital $ -0-

**Total $41,325.25 Total $19,483.19**

**Checks Received:**

$ 777.15 Town Clerk's Acct-December Sales

12,406.00 Justice Michael Soper-Fines Collected for December

7,148.00 Justice Joseph Crowley-Fines Collected for December

7,860.00 Oakgrove Construction inc. -water usage for 2023

1,748.00 Complex Rents

750.00 2024 Winter Soccer Registration

**Total $30,689.15**

**Monthly Reports:** Town Justice, Hwy Superintendent, Town Clerks, Town Financial Report were reviewed.

**Correspondence: 1)** NYS Dept of Ag & Markets inspection results for 12/2/2023 SPCA-Olean were rated unsatisfactory in areas that need repairs. **2**)NYS EFC Community Assistance Teams questions/answers Virtual Meeting 1/26/24. **3**)NYS Unified Court System-Continuing Judicial Education credits completion for Justice Joseph Crowley for 2023. **4)**NYS Dept of Public Service virtual public statement hearings on 01/17 & 01/24/2024 to solicit input and comments from community on filings of amendments to its natural gas tariff schedules.

**Town Clerks Report: Clerk Carlson: 1**) Rentals-Cafeteria is rented by Bob Krouse for the 2024 Winter Soccer Season on Saturdays. **2)** Property Taxes were sent out 12/22/2023, and are coming in smoothly. **2)**Water/Sewer-this is the middle of 1st billing of the new budget year which went out Dec. 1st, next billing is February 1st. **3)**Sewer 1- The 11-month coupon books were mailed in December 2023 to start 2024 payments.

B**ookkeeper Diane Frick: 1)** Soccer Registrations**.**  **2)** Financial reports provided thru December 2023.

**3)**W-2’s are out to all Town Employees. **4)**Cashed out the 2 Cemetery CDs at Northwest Bank, and will be opening at Five Star Bank. After the two remaining CDs at northwest mature, all of the cemetery funds will be moved from Northwest to Five Star.

**Hwy Supt. Mike Fox:** The Lean-To is deteriorating at Highway Garage, requested permission to take it down.

**Motion** made by Councilman Little, 2nd by Councilman Newbury to take down Lean-to at Highway Garage. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**Resolution 02-2024 Agreement to Spend Highway Funds** moved by Councilman Little, 2nd by Councilman L. Case to authorize Supervisor Rinfrette to sign the Agreement to Spend Highway Funds. Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**CWO/Sewer Maint. Rick Dixon: 1)** Water Plant**-**working on getting the generator hooked up, needs to know who has the authorization to call the gas company to come in to run the lines? Councilman Little stated to go ahead and call them, if he has a problem to let the Board know. **2)** Truck has a charging issue-its not the battery. Has a new battery in it and the light is still coming on. He stated it is probably the alternator. The Board agreed to take it to C. Mills Auto. **3)**Sewer Plant**-**Power outage on a Friday night 2 weeks ago and the alarms went off, and he needed to come in for that.

**CEO/Bldg/Elec. Inspector Lance Jobe: 1)** He has denied a building application to Eagles Landing at Mystic Waters due to the use of area and what is allowed according to the Land Use Management Book and they have filled out a Special Use Permit and paid on 01/11/2024, and been referred to the Planning Board. Clerk Carlson sent to the Planning Board.

**Planning Board Chair Wendy Johnston: 1)** Special Use Permit-Wendy indicated she did not receive the Plot Plan that said was submitted.CEO Jobe stated he will check in with the owners. **2)** The Moratorium for the Zoning of Solar Panels-PB is working reviewing local laws from other towns. CEO Jobe stated that he knows that Farmersville is a good one and does cover everything.

**New Business:** CEO Jobe- National Fuel contacted him; They have a utility building and will be putting an additive in their fuel, which there is no smell to natural gas, so there will not be on this. They are following the NYS guidelines.

**Old Business:** Playground-Councilman Little addressed the Board as to their response of the survey information by Paul Pagano, Land Surveyor. The Board agreed it looked good. Councilman Little will contact Mr. Pagano to move forward on splitting the playground area from the Town Complex Building.

641 Main-Old Municipal Building-Councilman Little asked about the ceiling tiles. Rick Dixon stated he did not have room on credit card. He thought Julie was purchasing them. Julie stated she went online to purchase and there are several kinds and she doe not know anything on that subject. Councilman Little stated he would help to get-need 186 tiles. Julie said she would purchase once it is all arranged.

**Open Forum:** Public addressed597 Paton Drive Situation**-**CEO Jobe stated he has done all he can, it is now at the Court and Attorney’s hands. Jobe stated he and Town Justice Soper have discussed the issue with the property and they have done everything right according to the State Laws and Justice System. Jobe stated that Attorney Firkel stated at previous meeting that he would move on the situation.

Allegany-Limestone CSD Transportation Supervisor-Bradley Peters addressed the concerns on his side, and the situation it is creating. He has been in contact with the School Resource Officer, and the Bus Driver for that Route. There were suggestions of an order of protection.

Mr. Peters stated he has had the police come around the area when the bus is on the route. He stated It was suggested to him that there may possibly be enough in the budget to patrol the area am/pm. Mr. Peters stated he doesn’t want to wait until something happens. He may look at removing the street from the route, he is looking at the safety of all the children on the bus also. He does not want to pull the bus off Paton Drive, but does not want something to happen. Residents expressed their upset of the thought of pulling the bus off Paton Drive, and how it was more dangerous to send kids walking up and down the street.

Hwy Supt. Fox stated that Mr. Peters did help to get the street back on the bus route, and he is trying to provide more protection. Mr. Peters assured everyone he is on board with keeping the bus on that street. The issue was discussed in depth with suggestions and calls to be made. Councilman Little stated the situation is not being ignored.

Other Code Enforcement questions were directed to CEO Jobe, in turn Mr. Jobe stated the properties in question were addressed accordingly to his duties following the CEO laws and he had written order of remedies, and if not fulfilled by the property owner within the 30-day time frame then they are issued a court appearance ticket. At this time it is in the Town Court’s hands, he no longer is responsible. Basically, they did not do what was required, so he turns it over to the Town Court, and the Court makes the ruling.

Kathi Gimbrone approached the Board about a water/sewer bill she feels is incorrect for the parcel on Main and Bailey Drive. She stated it is not hooked up to water or sewer. She stated she had her son meet with Mr. Dixon to check for the line. The Board addressed Rick again, Rick stated he did meet with the owner and walked through the building and he did not see any hook ups in the building. He said there are cars/parts in storage on the floors, and he did not lift or move parts, but he did not see any evidence of a water hook-up.

**Motion** made by Councilman Newbury, 2nd by Little to stop the full usage of water/sewer bill to that account. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

Rick Dixon requested confirmation that he can purchase a new toilet, small sink, and ceiling tiles for the small bathroom for employee use at 641 Main Street.

**Motion** made by Councilman Newbury, 2nd by Councilman Little for Rick Dixon to make the purchases required to work on the building as his time permits. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye,

J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**Motion** made Councilman Newbury, 2nd by Councilman Little to adjourn Regular Session Meeting at 7:00pm. And enter Executive Session. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**Executive Session:**

**Motion** made by Councilman Little, 2nd by Councilman Newbury to enter Executive Session for Union Negotiations update with Ward Neal. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**Motion** made Councilman Little, 2nd by Councilman L. Case to adjourn Executive Session. Rinfrette-aye, Newbury-aye, Little-aye, L. Case-aye, J. Case-aye. Motion carried.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

***Julie Carlson-Town Clerk***