**Town of Burns Regular Meeting**

**July 12th, 2023**

**Persons Present:** Supervisor Dianne Freiner, Councilman William Mammosser, Councilman Daniel Duthoy, Councilman Jeramie Hurlbut, Clerk Stephanie Miller, Highway Superintendent Glenn Odell, Justice Dustin Gordon, Attorney Dwight Kanyuck, CEO Samantha Testani, Solar Coordinator Shawn Grasby, DCO John Owens, Victor Ciaccia (Norbut), Steve Millet (Norbut), Deb Mammosser, Jim Neary, Kimberlie Duthoy, Joe Miller, Chris Maker

**Absent: Councilman Richard Butler**

**Call to Order & Pledge to the Flag: 7:00pm**

**Victor Ciaccia-Norbut Solar Final Site Plan Presentation:** Victor showed the board updated images of the new site layouts. The size had to be reduced per NYSEG, going from 25MW to 18MW. Site 5 was eliminated due to this, it was located in the middle of the map. Councilman Mammosser inquired if the panels in Site 1 could be moved to Site 5, as Site 1 is closest to a landowner that was unhappy about the project. Shawn Grasby explained that the POIs are assigned by NYSEG and the company has to go by that. After much discussion, it was decided they would return next month, as the Engineer from TYLIN has not signed off on the new layout.

**Shawn Grasby-Brightfield Solar:** Shawn explained that Brightfield was contacted about mowing the grass at the Shay property, as it is over 10 inches and violates the Town Solar Law. Brightfield said they could mow inside the fence but not outside, that is the responsibility of the property owner. Samantha will contact the property owner.

**Approval of June 12th Meeting Minutes**

**Motion: Councilman Duthoy Second: Councilman Mammosser**

**Aye: Councilman Hurlbut Absent: Councilman Butler Carried**

**Audit Bills**

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| **General Fund** | **93-104** | **$34,244.20** |
| **Highway Fund** | **83-93** | **$16,619.35** |
| **Intervenor Fund** | **3** | **$3,675.00** |

**Motion: Councilman Hurlbut Second: Councilman Duthoy**

**Aye: Councilman Mammosser Absent: Councilman Butler Carried**

**Highway Report-Glenn Odell:** New pickup truck will cost $7,200 on trade in, $58,955 total, needs Board approval to order by tomorrow. A motion was made to approve Glenn ordering the truck for $7,200:

**Motion: Councilman Mammosser Second: Councilman Duthoy**

**Aye: Councilman Hurbut Absent: Councilman Butler Carried**

The Board viewed photos of North Hill Pipe Install and posted Road Closure Signs, as someone called 911 to state no signs were posted. Councilman Hurlbut brought up a complaint he received about the new pipe, a resident is concerned it is too small and may overflow onto the road and into their home. Glenn stated he replaced the 18 ft pipe with a 25ft pipe. Councilman Hurlbut suggested clearing the ditches to alleviate flooding. Sikes and Peters are done, have been oiled and stoned with mutual aid from Town of Grove and Town of Birdsall. Big Hollow had beavers destroy a pipe, DEC issued a permit to remove them. Installed Children At Play signs in Burns Hamlet.

**CEO Samantha Tesani:** No new permits, still wrapping up a couple. Nothing from Verizon. Will write up a Facebook blurb for residents to read regarding importance of getting Building Permits. Will contact homeowner on State Route 961F about home addition that a permit was not issued for.

**DCO John Owens:** Had a call June 15th, no ticket issued because owner would not allow him to enter the home. June 17th Braylin Fox was attacked by 3 dogs, bitten, scratched and broken finger. Jeramie, Bill, Staci, and Danika came and helped him catch the dogs, they had broken loose from an outdoor kennel. He asked the dog owner if the dogs were licensed and vaccinated, he said yes. Stephanie confirmed 1 dog had been licensed. The dogs were taken to Humane Society for 10 day quarantine. John said he needs a search warrant to enter a property. Supervisor Freiner explained the process: John fills out the Search Warrant, Dustin would approve it. He must have reasonable cause for a warrant to be issued. June 28th received paperwork from Stephanie: copy of proposed new dog law, Allegany County Bite Form, updated license list. She is going to give him an updated list every time a new dog is licensed so he is up to date.

**New Business:**

* Dog Law-the Board will review Dwight’s comments by email, it may be ready by August.
* Supervisor Freiner suggested the Town change insurance companies, the representatives we had before left the company and there were issues renewing the policy this time.
* Teamsters sent an audit request for 7 years of payroll, Dwight is reviewing.

**Executive Session-Personnel: 8:41pm**

**Motion: Councilman Duthoy Second: Councilman Hurlbut**

**Aye: Councilman Mammosser Absent: Councilman Butler Carried**

**Executive Session End: 8:52pm**

**Motion: Councilman Mammosser Second: Councilman Duthoy**

**Aye: Councilman Hurlbut Absent: Councilman Butler Carried**

**Adjournment: 8:52pm**

**Motion: Councilman Duthoy Second: Councilman Mammosser**

**Aye: Councilman Hurlbut Absent: Councilman Butler Carried**