**Town of Olean**

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting**

**Held at the Olean Town Hall, 2634 Route 16N, Olean NY**

**On June 21, 2022**

Present: Annette Parker Supervisor

Pat Zink Highway Superintendent

Donna Howard Councilwoman

John Artlip Councilman

Scott Zink Councilman

Joshua Torrey Councilman

Jerry Dzuroff Code Enforcement Officer

Sherry Lemon Town Clerk

Absent: None

Supervisor Parker opened the meeting at 6pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of others: 11 Town residents.

**Resolution 1 (R:060122) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion from Councilman Artlip, and seconded by Councilwoman Howard, the Resolution was Adopted, with 4 Ayes, and 0 nays.

**Resolved**, that the minutes of the May 17, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting be approved.

**Resolution 2 (R:060222) APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS**

On a motion from Councilman Artlip, and seconded by Councilwoman Howard, the Resolution was Adopted, with 4 Ayes, and 0 nays.

**Resolved**, that the bills received have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts:

Highway Fund: for the sum of $22,949.39.

General Fund: for the sum of $56,808.31.

The residents of Fairview Avenue in the Town came to address their issues with a blighted property where there are dangerous dogs, loud music, excessive trash and trash burning, and random gunfire. They also report that there are unsupervised small children present. Code Enforcement has advised the residents to call police and/or fire departments when they notice issues, and to call Child Services about the children. He also advised that there is little he can do to aside from issuing a citation for the trash. The residents chose at that time to write a letter to Town Justice O’Connell advising him of their issues and request that the court take action. The dogs have been picked up and the owner of record has been issued an appearance ticket.

One resident inquired about the permit application for solar energy installation on his property. He was advised that the County has placed a moratorium on installations, and that the Town has not received an application to install.

One resident inquired about zoning from 2005 in his neighborhood on Windfall Road. He has several Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests that are pending.

**REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS**

Supervisor: The monthly bank statements were presented for review by the Board.

Code Enforcement: From May 17 to June 21, 2022 the list submitted has:

3 building permits issued, 1 permit pending due to building without a permit, 10 complaints, 1 FOIL request (Reilly). Planning Board had 21 residents present for discussion on Solar Energy.

Superintendent of Highways: FEMA grant application submitted for Godfrey Hollow culvert and a new generator. $1.1 million is requested for road maintenance at a 90/10 federal/town split plus $25,000 for rip rap. Page Road has had 1400 tons of millings from the City of Olean applied. Back Hinsdale Road project is 2 weeks behind due to County equipment issues and is now costing $300,000.00 due to the delay. Upper Two Mile Road will have millings applied from the City of Olean Queen Street resurfacing. Pat attended Highway School on June 6-8 and an issue discussed was the water damage to roads from super cell storms. There have been speed complaints on several roads, and it is proposed to spend $2,500.00 to purchase an electronic sign to collect speed data to forward to law enforcement. A motion was made by Councilman Artlip and Seconded by Councilman Zink to purchase the recommended speed sign. Motion carried. Greg Thropp resides on Oregon Road and is requesting to have the road upgraded from dirt to chip seal. The cost would be $32,000.00 and Mr. Thropp has offered $10,000.00 with the Town to pay the rest. It is agreed to table this request until budget review. There is concern about damage on East River Road due to cars, trucks, and motorcycles doing “burn outs” on the pavement. Board proposal to the Union remains unchanged.

Cemetery: the third employee for mowing and weed removal is working out well and the grounds are looking good. There is no news on the cemetery grant application.

Clerk: The Town has received notice that the VFW intends to renew their liquor license, as required by the State Liquor Board.

Supervisor: NYSLRS now needs to have all workers reported. Standard workdays are set at 6 hours for the board members, 6 hours for the clerk, 6 hours for seasonal, and 8 for highway workers. 1716 Andrews Street is in limbo with adverse passion (squatters). Insurance coverage, per the board, pay the current quote, research other carriers for lower quotes, motion made by Councilman Artlip, seconded by Councilman Torrey, and the motion carried. Town Office parking lot sealing quote reviewed, motion by Councilwoman Howard, seconded by Councilman Torrey, and all agree to the quote and to schedule the work.

Solar installation application fees should cover attorney fees, to be estimated at the time of application with a final attorney fee at the completion. There is consideration on setting the application fee at $55/1000 ft ². The Board approves to have Gary Abraham as legal counsel, Jim Hannon as the engineer, and approves SERQA. The June 11 meeting about Solar Energy was “Informational” and not a “Public Hearing” as there was no actual application made at that time.

The Board agrees to look into cost sharing for a new dog kennel or to expand the current kennel with the City of Olean, Allegany, and Hinsdale.

There was a complaint made about how the cemetery grounds were maintained around specific head stones. An offer was made to pay for replacement flowers, but the complainant has not responded.

Town Justice: No report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There being no further Old Business and no New Business to be presented, Councilwoman Howard moved for adjournment, with Councilman Artlip seconding the motion, and all were in agreement. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Lemon, Town of Olean Clerk