

February 8, 2023

Supervisor Walker opened the Meeting of Sheridan Town Board at 7:00 PM in the Community Center. Those present: Councilmen Sutton, Wik and Feinen, Councilwoman Yerico, Highway Superintendent Feinen and Code Enforcement Officer Crowell. There was 1 resident, and 2 visitors.

Councilman Yerico led the Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor Walker opened the floor to the public.

Sue Bigler from Center Rd. stated the town concerts will be as follows; Cassadaga Area Band July 5th, and New Horizon's Band August 2nd.

Kristen McCarthy from SunEast stated she would be coming to the meetings for the foreseeable future, currently they are taking a pause on the project to answer planning board and town questions.

Eamon Riley from NexAmp was present to introduce a proposed solar farm at 3570 New Rd. He met with the planning board. They are seeking a special use permit to operate there. Some discussion was held as to plans.

Supervisor Walker opened the Public Hearing on Fire Protection District #1. CEO Crowell explained the set-up of the Fire Protection District and what it entailed. No residents had any comments.

Copies of the Minutes from last month's meeting had been distributed to all Town Board members prior to this meeting. Councilwoman Yerico made a motion to accept the minutes as reviewed. Councilman Wik seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of "aye".

Copies of the Financial Report were also distributed prior to this meeting. Councilman Sutton made a motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilman Feinen seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote of "aye".

After having reviewed the bills, Councilman Sutton made a motion to pay General Fund Vouchers 1 through 24 for a total of \$11,746.71, and Highway Fund Vouchers 1 to 10 for a total of \$19,138.25. Councilman Feinen seconded the motion. Resolution #17/2-23 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilman Sutton votes "aye", Councilman Feinen votes "aye" Councilman Wik votes "aye", Councilwoman Yerico votes "aye", and Supervisor Walker votes "aye".

CORRESPONDENCE:

MONTHLY REPORTS:

Justices Romer & Szumigala report 284 Vehicle Traffic laws received, 258 disposed of; 1 Penal Law received, 4 disposed of; 1 NY Codes Law received; 1 Environmental Conservation Law received; 1 Tax Law case received; 1 Public Health Law disposed of; 1 Ag and Market Law disposed of; and 1 Local Law 2 disposed of for the month of January. A total of \$31,757.00 was collected and turned over for distribution.

Code Enforcement Officer Crowell reports 5 building permit applications, 5 certificates of occupancy, 1 certificate of compliance, 11 inspections on construction, 8 public safety inspections, 3 investigations of a complaint, 1 court action and 1 address change. 24 training hours, 158 miles travelled and 153.5 hours worked. A total of \$760.00 was taken in for the month of January. CEO Crowell stated

that he inspected the Town Buildings. He reported on what changes needed to be made. The code training class mentioned a new code coming out that should be ready July of 2024 that will be focused on Green Energy. The Zoning and Planning Board went over a few things. They discussed the cottage on Route 5, some progress was made. A friend of the property owner has spoken up on his behalf that he might be able to help him demolish the building before the rest of it falls in. He is hoping in the spring it can get cleaned up. The owner of the pawn shop was served with papers, there was no response and it is well past the 30 days. It is up to the board if they want to go any further. The Short Term Rentals Law has been typed out and it looks good, he still needs to meet with Jeff to make sure he is happy with all the language, the planning board will review it March 6th, and it should be available to the board for the March meeting. There is already one person interested in short term rental.

Highway Superintendent Feinen reports crews plowed snow, mixed sand and salt, picked up trash and tires. Cleaned and painted the break room, chopped brush on Miller, Christy, Stone Quarry, Kuhrt, Walnut, Obrien, Chapin, Aldrich, East Middle, and Pennsylvania Ave. Had St. Geroge come in and do emergency repair to the dead end on Newell Rd. the shoulder started to wash out over the large pipe and needed stabilization. They brought in a large excavator and set 2 loads of large rock, we may need to replace it this summer. Also found a cross pipe that created a sink hole in East Middle Rd. that I wasn't aware of. Had JMI bring in 2 yards of flow fill to fill the void to avoid a collapse. Truck 58 had to get a new clutch. The Bridge NY grant has been applied for. The Newell Rd. pipe that was bid out once is what I'm looking at getting funding for. FEMA has been closed out. I collected a total of \$59,782.97. This includes \$45,745.44 for the new pavilion, \$13,160.18 for the clean-up of trees and debris from the initial storm, and \$877.35 for administration. There have been a lot of tires dumped. He received an email from FEMA Monday that stated we were over paid by \$19,000 and need to send them a check. Our representatives from the state are trying to get to the bottom of it. There have been a lot of people complaining about trash blowing out of the paper dumpster, there are plans to put in a stockade fence and build an enclosure so hopefully the wind doesn't get in there.

Town Clerk Schafer reported a total of \$154.00 was taken in for the month of December. \$130.00 was turned over to the General Fund and \$24.00 was sent out to NYS Department of Ag and Markets for dog licenses.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sheridan Bay Park: Supervisor Walker stated we are looking at changing the rates to coincide with the new work that was done, updating the rules, and we will start taking reservations March 1st. We will be keeping a couple sites open for weekends. Last year we were not full, we limited trailers because of the power problems, there is new 50 amp service everywhere.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Wik made a motion to enter into an agreement with FSC Alarm Systems to perform the annual inspection, testing, and maintenance of the fire alarm system in the Town Highway Barns. Councilwoman Yerico seconded the motion. Resolution #18/2-23 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilman Sutton votes "aye", Councilman Feinen votes "aye" Councilman Wik votes "aye", Councilwoman Yerico votes "aye", and Supervisor Walker votes "aye".

Councilwoman Yerico made a motion retain Clark Patterson Lee for the purpose of providing planning and engineering services to the Town of Sheridan. Councilman Sutton seconded the motion.

Resolution #19/2-23 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman Feinen votes “aye” Councilman Wik votes “aye”, Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, and Supervisor Walker votes “aye”.

Councilman Sutton made a motion to extend the Moratorium (Local Law #2-2022) on Short-Term Rentals in the Town of Sheridan. Councilman Yerico seconded the motion. Resolution #20/1-23 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman Feinen votes “aye” Councilman Wik votes “aye”, Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, and Supervisor Walker votes “aye”.

Councilman Wik made a motion accept the fire contract for Fire Protection District #1 with the Sheridan Fire Commissioners. Councilwoman Yerico seconded the motion. Resolution #8/1-23 passed with the following roll-call vote: Councilman Sutton votes “aye”, Councilman Feinen votes “aye” Councilman Wik votes “aye”, Councilwoman Yerico votes “aye”, and Supervisor Walker votes “aye”.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Town Clerk’s office will be closed February 20th for President’s Day.

Next Workshop meeting will be February 22nd at 7 PM.

Next Board meeting March 8th at 7 PM.

As there was no further business or discussion, Councilman Wik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Yerico seconded the motion. Motion carried at 8:23 PM.