Angelica Town Board

# Meeting Minutes

# March 14, 2022

## Opening

The regular meeting of the Angelica Town Board was called to order at 7:00 pm on March 14, 2022 in Angelica, NY at the Grange Meeting Room at 55 Park Circle by Robert Jones.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

## Present: Robert Jones, Supervisor

John "Skip" Hecker, Councilman Girard Kelly, Councilman

Don Case, Councilman

Elwyn Gordon, Councilman

**Recording Secretary:** Sharon Presutti, Town Clerk

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Mike Trivisondoli, Robert Budinger, David Haggstrom, Don Ash,

Rob Claypool, Josh Ford, Bob Perry, Jeaneane Finnemore, Dan

and Scott from MTS.

## Approval of Minutes of Previous Minutes:

Minutes of the 2/14/2022 meeting were distributed. There were no corrections or additions made. A motion was made by Skip Hecker to approve, seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Don Case Aye

**Abstract Approvals:**

General expenditures - $6014.39

A motion was made by Girard Kelly to approve payment seconded by Elwyn Gordon.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Don Case Aye

Highway expenditures - $25638.47

A motion was made by Elwyn Gordon and seconded by Skip Hecker to approve payment.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Don Case Aye

**Budget Sheets and Supervisor’s Reports:**

Robert Jones distributed January 2022 and February 2022 budget sheets and Supervisor’s report. Robert Jones read through these. Tipping fees on the January report were for the 4th quarter of 2021. Elwyn Gordon motioned to accept these reports; seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Don Case Aye

**Financial Reports:**

NYCLASS Report for 1/31 - 3/1/2022 was distributed by Robert Jones showing the balances for all of the sub-accounts. He noted the interest rate is sneaking up a little - .0389% and the total in reserves is $2,981,267.16. Interest earned was $95.51.

**Town Business Review:**

Robert Jones noted that Sherri Presutti, Town Clerk, distributed her February 2022 Town Clerk’s report.

Skip Hecker motioned to accept this report; seconded by Don Case.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Donald Case Aye

**Town Clerk’s January 2021 Report**

Dogs - $98.00

Decals - $3.88

Certified Copies - $30.00

Cemetery Lot Sales - $0.00

Burials - $700.00

Marriage License - $17.50

ATV/LUV Registration Fee - $30.00

**Town Justice Report**

Robert Jones distributed the Justice Court report for February 2022, totaling $10,407.00. He also distributed the 2021 Annual Justice report. Robert Jones will send this report to NYS, he added that they are still working on old cases. The Board members all signed the review checklist for 2021. Robert Jones wrote up a Resolution that needs to be included with this report. Robert Jones read the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION 3-1-2022**

Whereas it is a requirement of the Town Justice of the Town of Angelica to provide his or her court records and dockets to the Auditing Board of the Town to be examined and that fact entered into the minutes of the Board proceedings Be it resolved that the records of the Justice Court for the Town of Angelica for fiscal year 2021 have been provided for audit and were examined by the Town Board, Town of Angelica, and this resolution was presented and passed at the Regular Meeting of the Town Board held on March 14, 2022. Those records were found to be in order, accurate and all monies were accurately accounted for. A copy of this audit resolution must be forwarded to the NYS Unified Court System.

Girard Kelly motioned to approve this resolution; seconded by Elwyn Gordon.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Donald Case Aye

**Dog Control Report:** Robert Jones reported that Rick Abbott called him today and had nothing to report. Robert Jones distributed the Municipal Shelter Inspection Report from NYS Ag & Markets noting a satisfactory rating. Elwyn Gordon asked if the dog run had been completed yet, no one had heard anything.

**Assessor/Real Property Report:** No report given

**Code Enforcement/MACE:** Robert Jones reported that they have collected $5000 in permit fees just for the month of January so far. He also reported that the 2021 report has been filed with NYS Building Standards and Codes Enforcement office. Girard Kelly asked what the total fees collected for 2021 was, Robert Jones did not have that figure with him.

**Highway report:** Mike Trivisondoli distributed a report to the Board noting was has been being done the past month. Mike added that Union Concrete was there working at the Gravel Pit today, they plan on leaving the iron and that the Town should receive a check for the scrap/re-bar. Mike also noted that the light at the Dog Shelter has a tendency to go on and off all night, Elwyn Gordon said he will look at that. Mike reported that Russ Lyon came to him this morning telling him that the check engine light was on in Truck #4, Mike sent that truck to the shop (Northeast Kenworth) today. Elwyn Gordon asked what year truck that was, Mike said it is a 2013 with approximately 90,000 miles on it. Mike added that since 10/2021 we have spent $11494 on repairs on that truck along with in house repairs, he is not sure how much this repair will cost. Mike would like the Board to consider replacing this truck. Girard Kelly asked what plow trucks were running, Mike replied between $275,000 and $300,00 and it could probably take 18 - 24 months to get in after it is ordered. Skip Hecker asked if we were to order today will that price be what we pay in 18 to 24 months? Mike is not sure. Mike said he will start getting some numbers together. Girard Kelly would like to get three bids, he is not a fan of piggy backing. Skip Hecker asked Mike T. about the salt storage shed, where he would put it. Mike responded that he is not sure, he feels that will require some discussion with the Board - what they want it to look like and the placement. Mike would like to take a look at the area behind the shop. Elwyn added that the farther away from the creek the better. Girard asked Mike if he had gotten a hold of soil and water - Mike said not yet - he is still doing research on it. Girard suggested getting a hold of them now, there may be money out there for this project. Elwyn asked about them being tarped - Mike said that’s how most of the new ones are being built - Elwyn asked about the warranty on the tarps - Mike will find out about that.

**Hyland:** Robert Jones distributed the DEC monitoring report for February, 2022 along with the Antea Group, 3rd party inspection report for 3rd quarter 2021.

**Miscellaneous:**

**Water District:** Robert Jones thanked Jeaneane Finnemore for doing the leg work and going out and getting the signatures for the Water District petition, Article 12. The original petition will go to the Town Clerk, Sherri Presutti, she will prove the signatures on the petition. There are 28 signatures on the petition, all landowners from parcels that will be affected. Robert Jones moved that the Town Board, Town of Angelica, hereby acknowledge receipt of the signed petition by those residents requesting that the Town of Angelica, under Town Law, Article 12, to begin the process of forming a water district for current water customers East of the Village who depend on water currently supplied by the Village and who will find it especially grieves should the Village water services be discontinued. This water district will allow the Town to secure funds to protect those property owners from loss of services and to make the much needed distribution upgrades to that district. Girard Kelly motioned to accept this petition; seconded by Don Case.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Donald Case Aye

Elwyn Gordon asked if the Village had looked into this at all, Rob Claypool responded that Archie McRae has looked into this in depth, he would be the one to ask. Skip Hecker noted that he had talked with Archie - we are looking at a million-dollar project. There was further discussion on this and the “what ifs” if there is a break before the project is complete. Rob Claypool added that the Village will do what they can to help, they are in this with the Town. There was also some discussion on the financing of the project between the Town and the Village.

Robert Jones said the next thing to do is to look at Engineering firms. There was discussion on this and Engineering firm names suggested were: Chatfield, Barton-Lejudice, MDA, MRB, Clark-Patterson and LaBella. Elwyn Gordon made a motion to interview Engineering firms; seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Donald Case Aye

There was some discussion as to what we are looking for from the engineering firms.

**MTS:** Dan and Scott (owner and operation manager) from MTS came to discuss the ambulance service for the Town and Village of Angelica. The Village of Angelica is not providing ambulance service anymore. They feel that there needs to be some discussion on the ambulance service. The Village voted in February to stop providing ambulance service. MTS will continue to respond and provide emergency medical services as long as we are working on a resolution. The Angelica Fire Department will still be turning out 1st responders to help MTS with calls. MTS asked that whatever monies that the Town allocates for ambulance service and pays to the Village that that becomes payable to MTS for a BLS (Basic Life) ambulance service, they would pick up the contract exactly as it is currently written for the remainder of 2022. Angelica currently has no EMT’s. MTS does bill the patient through Medicare and Medicaid guidelines. Robert Jones asked if they were aware of something going on at the County level. They responded that they have heard that there may be something going on at the County level but he doesn’t see them getting into the ambulance business, he feels it is just conversation at this point, there is still a limit to the number of medics and EMT’s in the County. MTS did say that if there is only one ambulance and a call at a Township that pays MTS and one at the same time at a Town that does not pay MTS - they will go to the Town that pays them first. There was a lengthy discussion on this subject between the Board, MTS, Rob Claypool (Village Mayor), Josh Ford and Bob (Village Trustee) from the Fire and Rescue Department. Elwyn Gordon would like MTS to come back with some more concrete numbers. Rob Claypool added that we will be getting a new fire contract for fire only from the Village.

**Cemetery Fence Bids:** Robert Jones reported that we advertised for bids for the cemetery fence; he received two bids - one from Sunnydale Fencing out of Wellsville for $90,000 - and one from David Conrad out of Wayland for $46,962.33. Bob added that building permits would be our responsibility and if we award it to David Conrad he would want to be paid in advance for the fencing material. Skip Hecker motioned to award the bid to David Conrad; seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Donald Case Aye

**Employee Handbook:** Girard Kelly said that he did go through some of it, not all of it, he added that the guys went through it. Skip Hecker said that he is happy with it - we should go with it; we can revise it if we have to. Mike Trivisondoli said that he went through most of it - it was at the shop for the guys to go through it. Skip Hecker motion to accept the Employee Handbook; seconded by Girard Kelly.

Elwyn Gordon Aye

Skip Hecker Aye

Robert Jones Aye

Girard Kelly Aye

Donald Case Aye

**David Haggstrom:** David asked Bob Jones if he had a copy of the Code Enforcement report. Bob replied that he does and that he will get it to him.

**Jeaneane Finnemore:** She requested that when the Board has more information regarding the Water District to keep her informed so she can pass that information along to the landowners.

**Skip Hecker:** Skip Hecker asked Mike Trivisondoli to move the picnic tables out, when the weather gets better, so that he can coat them before they are placed around Town. Mike Trivisondoli reported that that has already been done. Skip also asked Mike T. about the old overhead doors, what happened with those? Mike T. responded that they went to Jerge’s - junked. Skip asked why we didn’t try to sell them, Bob Jones said they were junk. Elwyn Gordon added that they had two or three people inquire about them. Bob Jones said that no one told him that. Elwyn Gordon responded that he thinks from now on, something like that, needs to be brought to the Board. Mike Trivisondoli also reported that he got rid of about 4 tons of tires, Skip Hecker thanked him for doing that.

**Sherri Presutti:** Sherri Presutti asked what was going to happen to the old cemetery fence. Skip Hecker feels that that has some value, we need to get a count of those, he thinks there are 48 sections, get some photos and maybe put them on Auction International. Jeaneane Finnemore asked about the fence and archway - Skip Hecker responded that he is working on that. Sherri Presutti also reported that she had another issue at the Cemetery with the Jack Lyon burial, the spot the Lyons family thought they had was not actually there - there was no space for it, luckily there was an empty lot one row back by other relatives that was available for Jack.

Sherri added that she is looking into companies that would go into the cemetery with a machine that would be able to tell where burials/vaults are located, it won’t be cheap but she is trying to get some pricing, she feels that we need to spend the money to get a good read on what is available in the cemetery and get it straightened out with a company that actually does that. She hopes to have more information at the next meeting, adding that it could be a full time job for somebody.

**Don Case:** Don asked about the stream going down Feathers Creek - he wondered if that is still being tested by Hyland or the Antea Group. Robert Jones is not sure but he will find out, he will talk with Larry Shilling.

**Mike Trivisondoli:** Mike asked about the driveways at the Cemetery, he knew that there had been talk about fixing it. Robert Jones reported that there is money in the budget to do that. Mike would like to know what the plan is for that. Girard Kelly added that it will be Cold Pave and that Jeremy should have the information on it. Bob Jones added that it will be the 1st driveway up to the top of the hill and around, Jeremy should have the specs on that.

With there being no further questions or comments Girard Kelly motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon A Presutti

Sharon Presutti

Angelica Town Clerk