**Town of Burns Regular Meeting**

**June 14th, 2023**

**Persons Present:** Supervisor Dianne Freiner, Councilman Richard Butler, Councilman William Mammosser, Councilman Daniel Duthoy, Councilman Jeramie Hurlbut, Clerk Stephanie Miller, Highway Superintendent Glenn Odell, Justice Dustin Gordon, DCO John Owens, Joe Miller, Scott Odell, Tina France, Jim Neary, Leath DeRitter, Staci Derrenbacher, Tom Hoffman

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

**First Privilege of the Floor:** Jim Neary: Where is the cell tower going?

Supervisor Freiner: No further information has been provided.

Jim Neary: Is Norbut Solar getting financial aid from the County?

Supervisor Freiner: The money they receive is from the State.

**Adoption of the Minutes of May 10th 2023 Meeting:**

**Motion: Councilman Butler Second: Councilman Duthoy**

**Aye: Councilman Mammosser Aye: Councilman Hurlbut Carried**

**Audit Bills:**

**Account Voucher Amount**

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| **General Fund** | **77-92** | **$7,485.44** |
| **Highway Fund** | **69-82** | **$25,404.28** |
| **Intervenor** | **2** | **$3,990.00** |

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

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

**Highway Report-Superintendent Odell:** Truck 3 had more repairs. Graded three roads and cut shoulders. Peters Rd and North Hill pipes were replaced, Prince Rd got two pipes. Blacktop installed on North Hill. All potholes patched on paved roads. Lattimer Hill pipe will be done tomorrow. Knollwood intersection had to be widened out to get ready for blacktop. Road projects: North Hill getting shimmed, Peters Rd and Freiner Hill intersection getting blacktopped. Freiner Hill and Big Hollow bridges have been flagged and need new blacktop, it will be shimmed, leveled and topped. Sikes and Peters Rd getting oil and stone. Gas Springs getting raised about 6 inches so the center of the road is above the ditches. Looking into GIS mapping, $650/year, reports go directly to the state. The Insurance company wants GPS coordinates for all signs and roads.

**Dog Control-John Owens:** 23 North St incident with Lynn and Erica Morrison, she reported 3 dogs tied to a tree and a 4th came and threatened her, dog ticket will be issued. Keeps loaded gun in car just in case, was told by NYS Troopers that he is considered a “Peace Officer”. The Board reiterated calling the police before doing anything else. The Board also told the Clerk to order pepper spray he can carry on his person.

**Stephanie Miller-parking on South Church St:** Stephanie raised a concern about the end of South Church St by the 4 corners. There was no parking available before, and cars park on both sides of the street, disrupting traffic. Now there is a parking lot on the right side of the street, and she would like to have the County put in a sign that states “No Parking on This Side of Street”. A motion was made to put the said sign on the East side of the street.

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

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

**Justice Report: $1,140.00**

**Monthly Financial Report:**

**Account Receipts Disbursements**

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| **General Fund Townwide** | **$2,000.76** | **$13,733.29** |
| **General Fund Outside Village** | **$20.12** | **$1,445.35** |
| **Highway Fund Townwide** | **$1,366.66** | **$10,983.57** |
| **Highway Fund Outside Village** | **$381.10** | **$16,973.89** |

**Communications:** Shawn Grasby, Dwight Kanyuck, Chris Porcaro, Craig Clark with Allegany County IDA

**New Business:** The Teamster Contract needs to be renewed, a Board Member is needed for negotiations, Councilman Mammosser volunteered; A letter from NYMIR was received regarding master battery disconnect switches on the equipment, and was completed; Discussion on updating the Town’s Dog Law, which has not been updated since 1988. Councilman Hurlbut suggested a fee of $100 if dog is found unlicensed. Keeping the licensing fees the same at $6 for neutered/spayed, $10 unneutered/unspayed to encourage residents to license animals. Supervisor Freiner will send current law and updates to Dwight Kanyuck for review and drafting.

**Old Business:** Public Hearing was held on May 25th by Allegany County on the 4 Norbut Solar Sites. Two residents attended the Hearing. The final site plan needs to be signed by to CEO and Supervisor, Samantha and Dwight have approved the plan and Jim Burton is looking at it. Councilman Hurlbut requested Norbut come to the July meeting to go over the final plans and have them signed then.

**Second Privilege of the Floor:**

Leath DeRitter: Researched what a “Peace Officer” is considered, and sees it is not a blanket coverage, Towns have approved them individually.

Tom Hoffman: Does the Town have any restrictions on land clearing?

As the Town has no zoning, The Board advised him to contact Belmont Soil and Water, and the DEC.

**Executive Session: 8:26pm**

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

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

**Executive Session End: 8:40pm**

**Motion: Councilman Duthoy Second: Councilman Butler**

**Aye: Councilman Hurlbut Aye: Councilman Mammosser Carried**

**Adjournment: 8:40pm**

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

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