

TOWN OF HIGHLAND
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
MAY 9, 2023
ELDRED TOWN HALL

PRESENT SUPERVISOR JEFF HAAS
 COUNCILMAN FRED BOSCH
 COUCILWOMAN KAITLIN HAAS

Also present, Attorney to Town Michael Davidoff
 Town Clerk Susan Hoffman

Supervisor calls meeting to order
Flag Salute
Roll Call by Town Clerk

Let the record show that Councilman Tambini is not present.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the April 2023 Town Clerk Minutes, seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch to approve the April 2023 Financial, seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion motion carried all ayes.

CORRESPONDENCE

Received and read Highland Fire Department monthly report.

Received and read Yulan Fire Department monthly report.

HIGHWAY

Highway Deputy Supervisor we got the paver serviced and the roller everything's working great. We just started getting the roads paved and now replacing some of the old steel pipes. Probably a little bit later on in the program we're going to give you permission to pave the Barryville firehouse.

SUPERVISOR

The Sullivan County DPW is holding a meeting here in our town hall on May 18 at 6pm dealing with the bridge replacement what we call taxpayers pond in Yulan. It's the main thoroughfare county route 22 between Yulan and Narrowsburg. If you would like to be heard, please be at that meeting. Emergency services the Highland Ambulance Service, Yulan Fire Department in particular are dead set against a road closure. We would definitely like a one lane operation there somehow, it would be terribly, terribly restrictive for that road to be closed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments.

PLANNING AND SENIORS

Councilman Bosch states everything basically going smoothly at the Senior Center.

YOUTH AND PARK DEVELOPMENT

I will put forward a resolution which will be read when the resolutions come up later on the agenda. I attended the mandatory informational session by the Sullivan County Youth bureau. They did an in person and via zoom for any applicants that will be pursuing funding through the youth bureau, which is

where we get our funding to support our community partnership with Koinonia for our summer day camp experience. We had to have that application submitted to them no later than May 17. Last year we received two grants to fund the program, I don't know that we're eligible this year again for the TC Energy grant but will probably ask for \$15,000 for county funding.

CODE

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Haas states we did request from the Under Sheriff that they provide us with some quarterly reporting on the status of the deputies that are working 32 hours a week in town.

GRANTS

No report.

INSURANCE

No report.

BUILDINGS

RESOLUTION:

The Town of Highland Highway Department be authorized to remove the pavement in front of the Barryville Firehouse, make any necessary repairs to the base material and repave the disturbed area to match the existing grades with costs billed to Buildings A1620.4.

MOTION BY Councilman Bosch, seconded by Councilwoman Haas, discussion carried all ayes.

This month I plan to obtain verbal quotes to sheet rock the electrical panel closet in the court house, it's been unfinished for quite a while and I think we can get that done outside better than in house.

BEAUTIFICATION/RENAISSANCE

Supervisor Haas states flowers are about to be planted. Karol informed me on Sunday that the flower pots in the Yulan area at least will be ready to be hung up on June 1.

PERSONNEL

Councilwoman Haas reports we completed our interviews for the open positions and made report to the board.

WEBSITE/IT

No report

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

No report.

911 Hero's Park

Peter Carmeci reports We're just getting ready for Memorial Day and I just want to let you know that we had VFW elections last month and I was elected commander for my fourth term.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Councilman Bosch authorizing the sale of the vehicle and equipment, and authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into the Agreement attached hereto and authorizes the Supervisor to execute all documents necessary to transfer said vehicles and equipment to the Sullivan County Sheriff's Department, seconded by Councilwoman Haas discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman Haas authorizing Monica McGill's compensation as Clerk at \$125.00 for her attendance at regular Planning Board meetings and \$75.00 for her attendance at regular ZBA meetings. At any Board meeting, or ZBA meeting, at which there is one or more Public

Hearings, Monica McGill as Clerk shall receive additional compensation of \$135.00 for such Public Hearing or Hearings, seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilman Bosch authorizing the replacement of the blacktop at the Barryville Firehouse by the Highway Department, seconded by Councilwoman Haas discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilman Bosch authorizing the surplus of the one-ton dump truck and the Ford F250 on MunicBid, seconded by Councilwoman Haas discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman to authorize the town supervisor to sign the application when completed for submission to the Sullivan County Youth Bureau to obtain funding for this year's Summer Youth Program, seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman Haas to pay Highway Abstract #4-2023, claims #35 to #40 in the amount of \$2,693.95, seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman Haas to pay General Abstract #5-2023, claims #114 to #142 in the amount of \$21,511.21, seconded by Supervisor Haas discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman Haas to pay Eldred Street Lights #4-2023, claim #4 in the amount of \$97.22, seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman Haas to go into Executive Session for the purposes of litigation, seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilman Bosch to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Councilwoman Haas discussion carried all ayes.

Motion by Councilwoman Haas to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Bosch discussion carried all ayes.

Respectfully submitted

Susan Hoffman, Town Clerk

May 9, 2023