

REGULAR MEETING, WARRENSBURG TOWN BOARD, MAY 8, 2019

The regular meeting of the Warrensburg Town Board was held on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the Albert Emerson Town Hall at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

PRESENT:	Supervisor	Kevin B. Geraghty
	Councilperson	Donne-Lynn Winslow
	Councilperson	Linda Baker- Marcella
	Councilperson	Bryan Rounds
ABSENT	Councilperson	John Alexander

OTHERS PRESENT: Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk; Robert Hafner, Town Attorney; Tracy Benoit, Water Department Head, Ed Pennock, Highway Superintendent; Chip Webster, Steve Parisi, Museum Director, Sandi Parisi, Historian, and numerous town residents.

RESOLUTION #76-19

ACCEPT MINUTES

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds

NAYS 0

RESOLVED, that the minutes of April 10, 2019 be accepted.

REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS

The reading of the reports of Town Officials were received and read from the following: Town Clerk, Supervisor, Assessor, Justice, Dog Control Officer, Planning Department and Code Enforcement Officer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports were received from the following: Beautification, Highway, Landfill, Historian, Museum, Parks and Recreation, Sewer, Water and Youth.

Supervisor Geraghty reported that the Town will wait until fall for landscaping at Morey Stein Public Beach at Echo Lake.

COMMUNICATONS

Supervisor Geraghty reported he had received communications from the following:

- 1) A thank you note from Susan Miller for allowing her to attend Planning conference in Bolton at the Sagamore.

PRIVELAGE OF THE FLOOR- BEN DRISCOLL SNAP PROGRAM

Ben Driscoll, Nutrition and Education Program Coordinator for Catholic Charities gave a presentation on the SNAP and other Federal Feeding Programs.

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DISCUSSION -TEST WELL

Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board he would like permission to drill a test well in the parking lot at Echo Lake. Supervisor Geraghty also said he would like permission to hire a surveyor for the beach property.

The Town Board voiced permission.

DISCUSSION – BID AWARD

Supervisor Geraghty reported that the contract award for the WWTP Blower was awarded to MCJ Construction, LLC of Mayfield, N.Y. in the amount of \$185,000.00.

RESOLUTION #77-19

SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH WARREN COUNTY

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the following resolution was **ADOPTED**

ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0

IT IS RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to sign a shared service agreement with Warren County to mutually agree to share services and to exchange, borrow, or lend materials, machinery or equipment; shared services shall mean any services, materials, and/or equipment provide by one party to another party.

RESOLUTION #78-19

ALLOW SUPERVISOR TO ATTEND AATV

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0

RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to attend the June meeting of the Adirondack Association of Towns in Saranac Lake on June 2 and June 3, 2019.

GRANT AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

Supervisor Geraghty announced Warrensburg has been awarded \$911,424.00 under the NYSDOT TAP for River Street sidewalk enhancement and congratulated Patty Monahan on her success in securing the grant.

CHIPS AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

Supervisor Geraghty announced the Town will receive \$92,256.04 in CHIPS funding for 2019.

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RESOLUTION #79-19

SET BRUSH AND LEAVES PICKUP DATES

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

IT IS RESOLVED to schedule brush and leaves pickup starting Monday, May 20, 2019 through Thursday, May 23, 2019.

RESOLUTION #80-19

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING \$133,509 IN SERIAL BONDS OR BOND FOR LOADER

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the attached resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

**AYES Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS NONE**

RESOLUTION #81-19

RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TOWN OF WARRENSBURG WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the attached resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

SEQRA REVIEW FOR SEWER DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS

Attorney Robert Hafner and the Town Board completed the EAF for the Sewer District Improvements for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

RESOLUTION #82-19

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING \$185,000.00 SERIAL BONDS TO PAY THE COST OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$185,000 IN BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWN OF WARRENSBURG FOR THE SAME PURPOSE

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the attached resolution was ADOPTED by roll call vote:

**AYES Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS NONE**

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RESOLUTION #83-19

RESOLUTION CONCERNING NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION GRANT FOR LIBRARY AVENUE SEWER DISTRICT EXTENSION STUDY

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the attached resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

RESOLUTION #84-19

REQUEST TO AMEND WATER BILL-LOTUS

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

IT IS RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Code Enforcement Officer to reduce the water usage by 50,000 gallons for Lotus Analytics, 19 Horicon Avenue, account number W0991, tax map #211.18-1-42 for one time only.

RESOLUTION #85-19

REQUEST TO AMEND WATER BILL-HARRINGTON

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Code Enforcement Officer to remove 17 Grand Avenue, owned by Iona Harrington from the water rolls as the mobile home was removed from the premises and the property is vacant, tax map #210.12-1-51 and account number W0082.

RESOLUTION #86-19

REQUEST TO AMEND WATER BILL-DUELL

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

IT IS RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Code Enforcement Officer to reduce the water usage to 50,000 gallons, a fee of \$97.50 for property owned by Donna and Calvin Duell, 14 Third Street, tax map #210.12-3-52 and account #W0176.

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RESOLUTION #87-19

REQUEST TO AMEND WATER BILL – OLSON

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Code Enforcement Officer to deny the request for any reduction on property owned by Thomas Olson, located at 4043 Main Street, tax map #210.2-1-6, account W0397.

DISCUSSION – HIGH USAGE NOTICE

Supervisor Geraghty said he had been speaking with the Water Superintendent about this, where if we see high usage we try and notify people. Supervisor Geraghty said it appears now people are coming in and when they get to the window they automatically tell them to grieve it, whether we are sending letters out to them or not. Supervisor Geraghty said he did not know if this person ever got a letter, there is not a very good system in place right now, we don't know. Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Clerk if Mr. Olson had ever received a letter and she said yes. Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board he did not know if they wished to continue the practice of reduction and usage, everybody is given a one-time reduction. Supervisor Geraghty said that the Board needs to receive a list of high usage every time so when they get complaints. Supervisor Geraghty said that if the letter is not heeded when it is received, then it is not on the Town. Supervisor Geraghty said he did not think there was another Water Department around who does what we do to try to work with customers here.

Tracy Benoit said none of the ones he talked to do that.

Supervisor Geraghty said he was ok with that but that he would like to see a list of high usage sent to the Board. Supervisor Geraghty said he did not know if Mr. Olson had received a letter or not. Supervisor Geraghty said the Deputy Clerk's did not know if letters had been sent for the first billing or not.

Supervisor Geraghty said that he wanted the Board to get a copy of all of the letters that were sent out.

Supervisor Geraghty asked the Town Board if they wished to discontinue the high usage letters.

Councilperson Baker-Marcella said that if people do not know it is running and high usage it is responsible and courteous of them to let them know, then if they do not respond it is another issue.

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RESOLUTION #88-19

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO REGISTER TOWN OF WARRENSBURG AS A MEMBER OF US COMMUNITES (nka OMNIA PARTNERS)

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the attached resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

RESOLUTION #89-19

DECLARE TWO PICKUPS SURPLUS

On motion of Councilperson Winslow, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the attached resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

DISCUSSION – SKATE BOARD RAMP

Supervisor Geraghty told the Town Board he had been approached about a skate board ramp, he has reviewed the request and has put it on hold for now.

RESOLUTION #90-19

AUTHORIZE OUT OF DISTRICT SEWER CONTRACT WITH NORTHERN LIGHTS

On motion of Councilperson Rounds, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the attached resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

DISCUSSION – WARRENSBURG CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Supervisor Geraghty reported that he had a preliminary discussion with John Alexander and the Warrensburg Cemetery Association regarding maintenance. Supervisor Geraghty said the Cemetery Association is strongly considering turning the properties over to the Town.

DISCUSSION –UPDATE ON CONDITION OF PROPERTIES

Attorney Hafner gave an update on properties located on Commercial Avenue, and, said that the Code Enforcement Officer has been working closely with his partner, Tom Peterson. Attorney Hafner said one of them is at 22 Commercial Avenue and one of them is at 9 South Street. Attorney Hafner said that Attorney Peterson wished to have it brought to the Town Board to grant permission for the Attorney's to move forward for partial summary judgement.

Supervisor Geraghty said the Town has tried for a year and a half to get these properties cleaned up and he is embarrassed when he travels down Commercial Avenue, the Town cannot get the parties to come together to serve an order.

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RESOLUTION #91-19

PERMISSION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH PROPERTIES

On motion of Supervisor Geraghty, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

IT IS RESOLVED to grant authority to the Town Attorneys in the Warrensburg vs Engle, Engle & Markey action to move for partial summary judgement permitting the Town or its contractor to remove the buildings or otherwise cure the Code deficiencies at 22 Commercial Avenue and 9 South Street and have the cost made a lien against the respective properties.

RESOLUTION #92-19

BUDGET TRANSFERS

On motion of Councilperson Rounds, seconded by Councilperson Baker-Marcella, the following budget transfers were

**ADOPTED AYES 3 Geraghty, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0
ABSTENTION 1 Councilperson Winslow abstained.**

IT IS RESOLVED, to make the following Budget Transfers to the 2019 Budget

A1990.400 Contingency	\$5000.00 Debit
A1110.400 Justice Contractual	\$5000.00 Credit
A8160.120 Refuse Collect	\$13,052.40 Debit
A8160.100 Refuse Collect	\$13,052.40 Credit

RESOLUTION #93-19

PAY BILLS

On motion of Councilperson Baker- Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds
NAYS 0**

IT IS RESOLVED, to pay the following warrants as outlined on Abstract #5-19

General Fund	\$ 47,344.87
Sewer Fund	\$ 31,718.99
Water Fund	\$ 31,848.59
Highway Fund	\$ 13,222.34
Lighting Fund	\$ 6,369.80
Paper Mill Park Cap.	\$ 20,597.17

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RESOLUTION #94-19

RE-ADVERTISE FOR SCALE BIDS

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Marcella, the following resolution was

ADOPTED AYES 4 Geraghty, Winslow, Baker-Marcella, Rounds

NAYS 0

RESOLVED, to re-advertise for bids in the Post Star for scales for the landfill for the June meeting and asking that letters be sent out.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Clara Bates told the Town Board that someone from the Town or the Chamber should be present when there is a Band Concert to introduce the Band that is performing.

On motion of Councilperson Baker-Marcella, seconded by Councilperson Rounds, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna A. Combs, Town Clerk

