# MINUTES TOWN OF WARRENSBURG REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

# MAY 12, 2021 - 7:00 P.M. at Albert Emerson Town Hall

Note: As per Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1: "Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed".

This meeting was held via YouTube Broadcast, with only the persons listed below present.

**PRESENT:** Supervisor Kevin Geraghty

Councilperson John Alexander Councilperson Richard Larkin Councilperson Bryan Rounds

Councilperson Donne Lynn Winslow

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Pamela Lloyd, Town Clerk; Dani Oliver, Supervisors Secretary; Robert Hafner, Attorney.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Geraghty and Salute to the Flag.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: Maynard D. Baker Supervisor from 1988 to 1997 recently passed away.

**BID OPENING**: Repairs to Tennis Courts and conversion of one court to two Pickle ball Courts. Pamela Lloyd, Town Clerk read the Public Notice to Bidders. **NO BIDS WERE RECEIVED**.

## APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON APRIL 14, 2021

**RESOLUTION #83-2021** 

**RESOLVED,** to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town Board meeting held on April 14, 2021. On motion of Councilperson Alexander, seconded by Councilperson Winslow, the following resolution was **ADOPTED** 

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Winslow

NAYS: None

### **REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICIALS:**

The Town Officials reports were received and read by the following: Town Clerk – Pamela Lloyd; Supervisor – Geraghty; Assessor, Justice – Alexander; Dog Control – Winslow; Planning Department – Rounds; Code Enforcement - Geraghty.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

The Committee Reports were received and read by the following: Beautification – Winslow; Highway-Rounds; Economic Development – Larkin; Landfill – Alexander; Lighting – No Report; Historian/Museum – No Report; Parks and Recreation – Winslow; Sewer/Water - Alexander; Youth – Winslow.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Information received on opposition to the Solar Farm on Blister Hill

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that they are currently working on the situation and they will be working the Town Attorney in the near future on the Blister Hill project.

Request for information received pertaining to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on the re-licensing of the Warrensburg Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 9074) on the Schroon River. Current license expires on December 31, 2026.

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that they have some question they need answered about the Hydro Dam down by the old papermill.

Consolidated Funding Application information was received.

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that they would like to work on this soon and if any of the board members has a project they would like to see written up and submitted please let him know and he has sent this information on to the town's Engineers and will work with Patty Monahan on coming up with some projects. They need to be submitted by July 30, 2021.

No new information has been received on when the town will receive the money for the Corona Virus Recovery Act

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that he does know that the Counties are just starting to get some information come through. Once we know how much the town will get they will decide where is can used towards. The moneys are restricted and may be used to recover some of the lost revenue for sales tax and oxy tax and possibly towards the water and sewer projects coming up.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

## REQUEST TO SET A PERMIT FEE FOR THE DONATION BINS

#### **RESOLUTION #84-2021**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

**SECONDED BY**: Councilperson Rich Larkin

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Warrensburg will set the permit fee for the placement of a single Donation Bin at \$25.00 for a one (1) year permit, subject to the completion of an application and approval with the Planning and Zoning Administrator as per Local Law #4 of 2021.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the Donation Bin permit fee of \$25.00 per year.

## **DULY ADOPTED MAY 12, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

Need to finish the posting for a part-time Museum Director and advertise the position.

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty did receive information on posting the Museum Director ad and passed it on to Donne-Lynn and get it posted in the paper before the next town board meeting.

The fourth Judicial District has extended until December 31, 2021 the time that David Cavanaugh can continue to serve as the Town's second Justice.

Highway Department has scheduled Leaf and Brush pick up for May 10, 2021. Pickup will be done Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday only.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Grievance Day to be held on Tuesday May 25, 2021 from 4 to 8 p.m.

# REQUEST FROM TODD TRULLI/WIBSGH, LLC TO WAIVE THE 30 DAY ADVANCE NOTICE FILING FOR LIQUOR LICENSE

### **RESOLUTION #85-2021**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Rich Larkin

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Warrensburg received from Todd Trulli/WIBSCH,LLC, Trade Name of George Henry's on April 30, 2021 a copy of the 30-Day Advance Notice to waive the waiting period for a new Liquor License.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request to waive the 30 Day Advance Notice filing for a new liquor license and a letter confirming the approval will be supplied to Todd Trulli/WIBSCH, LLC, George Henry's.

## **DULY ADOPTED MAY 12, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

Letter of resignation received from long term Court Clerk Naomi Cooper. Naomi will be retiring on July 30, 2021.

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that Naomi Cooper had started working in the courts since 1971 and has very long history here at the town hall and will be greatly missed. The town will be putting out an ad for the Court clerk position, it is a non-tested position.

We have received a few inquiries about Unsafe Building around Town. We do have a law (Section 95) on the books to deal with these issues and code Enforcement will be looking into properties that fall under this category. Any incidents found will have to be brought back to the town Board for consideration.

Had inquiry from Dillon Keast about purchasing some water district property off Alden Avenue. He was not sure about how much property approximately 10 acres.

**Discussion:** Supervisor Geraghty stated the at this time they want to hold off on selling any pieces of that property and he will let Mr. Keast know of the Town Boards decision.

Had an inquiry from Sharon Tynice about opening a store in Town. We went through some properties that may be available for her use. It would be used for consignment store with home goods, furniture and perhaps coffee.

## REQUEST TO APPROVE WATER RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR GARDEN METERS

**RESOLUTION #86-2021** 

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Donne Lynn Winslow

WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

**SECONDED BY**: Councilperson John Alexander

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of Warrensburg request to approve the Water Rate Adjustment for the Garden Meters, to \$48.75 per quarter plus usage.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the Garden Meters Water Rate Adjustment to \$48.75 per guarter plus usage.

## **DULY ADOPTED MAY 12, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

# REQUEST TO PAY WARRANTS ON ABSTRACT #5-2021

### **RESOLUTION #87-2021**

On motion of Councilperson Larkin, seconded by Councilperson Alexander, the following resolution was

ADOPTED

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

NAYS: None

**RESOLVED**, to pay the warrants outlined on Abstract #5-2021 in the following amounts:

WARRANTS:	Total Claims	\$177,464.43
	General Fun	\$112,362.14
	Cemetery Fund	\$4, 091.09
	Highway Fun	\$10,534.06
	Papermill Park	\$10,330.64
	Lighting District	\$6,610.62
	Sewer Fund	\$12,973.89
	Water Fund	\$5,217.24

## COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND BOARD MEMBERS:

There were No comments from the public.

**Rich Larkin** had asked about the Time Warner Contract on services with the Town which will expire in January of 2022.

Bryan Rounds spoke about the Solar Project and all the comments received from the public.

**John Alexander** spoke about the update to the town cemetery and that May is a very important time for the cemetery due to Memorial Day.

**Kevin Geraghty** spoke about the Memorial Day Parade and he has been working with the American Legion and they have decided Not to have the parade again this year, but there will be a brief ceremony at the cemetery.

COMPLETE DISCUSSIONS CAN BE VIEWED ON THE YOUTUBE LINK PROVIDED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE.

### **MEETING ADJOURN**

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, Seconded by Councilperson Rounds the meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela M. Lloyd, Town Clerk