

**MINUTES
TOWN OF WARRENSBURG
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
JULY 14, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
at Albert Emerson Town Hall**

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA YOUTUBE INTERNET BROADCAST AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THE YOUTUBE LINK CAN BE FOUND ON THE TOWN WEBSITE.

PRESENT:

Supervisor	Kevin Geraghty
Councilperson	John Alexander
Councilperson	Richard Larkin
Councilperson	Donne Lynn Winslow
Councilperson	Bryan Rounds

OTHERS PRESENT: Pamela Lloyd, Town Clerk; Dani Oliver, Supervisors Secretary; Robert Hafner, Town Attorney; Edward Pennock, Highway Superintendent; Tracy Benoit, Water/Sewer/Parks & Recs Supervisor; Joyce Reed, Water/Sewer Clerk; Jim Hull, Code Enforcement Officer; Sandi Parisi, Town Historian. Other Public Attendees: Teresa Whalen, Kathie Ferullo, Linda Marcella, Gary Cooper, Peggy Knowles.

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

BID OPENINGS:

ACCEPT BID FOR A PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY ON 9 KING STREET

RESOLUTION #102-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg accepted (1) bid received from Chazen Companies located at 20 Elm Street Glens Falls NY, to do a Phase I Environmental Study on the old Highway Department property known as 9 King Street. Scope of work to determine any land contamination and any required Asbestos removal in the building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby accepted and approved the Bid from The Chazen Companies in the amount of \$ 7,650.00 to do a Phase I Environmental Study on 9 King Street.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0 **ABSENT:** 0

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

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ADVERTISE TO RE-BID FOR REMOVAL OF SLUDGE FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

RESOLUTION #103-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg will Advertise to Re-Bid for removal of Sludge from the Lagoons at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. No Bids were received at Bid opening held at the Town Board Meeting on July 14, 2021 at 7:00pm. Re-Bid opening scheduled for next Regular Town Board Meeting on August 11, 2021 at 7:00pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved to Re-Bid and place a 2nd advertisement in the Post Star Newspaper for the Sludge removed from the Lagoons at the WasteWater Treatment Plant.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWS:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0 **ABSENT:** 0

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

ACCEPT RE-BID FOR CONVERSION OF (1) TENNIS COURT TO (2) PICKLEBALL COURTS

RESOLUTION #104-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Donne Lynn Winslow

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg accepted (2) Re-Bids for the conversion of one (1) existing Tennis Court into two (2) Pickleball Courts and to make necessary repairs to existing Tennis courts as described in Bid Specification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby accepted and approved bid from Premier Pavement Marketing, LLC In the amount of \$ 38,750.00 for the conversion of one (1) existing Tennis Court into two (2) Pickleball Courts and to make necessary repairs to existing Tennis Courts as described in Bid Specifications.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: 4 **NAYS:** 1 **ABSENT:** 0

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow
NAYS: Larkin

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APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON JUNE 9, 2021

RESOLUTION #105-2021

RESOLVED, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting held on June 9, 2021

On motion of Councilperson Larkin, **Seconded by** Councilperson Rounds, 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, Code Enforcement – Kevin Geraghty; Assessor - John Alexander; Dog Control – Donne-Lynn Winslow; Planning Department – Bryan Rounds; Justice – No report.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

The Committee Reports were received and read by the following: Beautification – Teresa Whalen; Highway – Bryan Rounds; Economic Development – Richard Larkin; Landfill, Sewer/Water – John Alexander; Historian/Museum – Sandi Parisi; Parks/Recreation, and Youth - Donne Lynn Winslow; Lighting – No Report.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Thank you from the Fire Company on money for the fireworks celebration at the Smoke Eaters Jamboree.

Thank you from Warrensburg Central School for use of the Recreation Field and to the staff of the recreation department who helped out.

Thank you received from Green Mansion Development Building 10 President Nora Mongan for the Highway work being done on their road.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Any comments or input from the Town Board on the renewal license for the Hydro Dam on the Schroom River? **NO COMMENTS RECEIVED**

A meeting needs to be held with the Engineering group to review the Report on the High-Yield Well location.

DISCUSSION: Kevin spoke of the different locations that might be possible for another producing well.

Discussion on a Resolution request to declare Hackensack Mountain parcel and the parcel encompassing Blister Hill as “Park Land”.

DISCUSSION: Attorney Bob Hafner will supply a Resolution with details on encompassing 2 Parcels of Hackensack Mountain “Blister Hill” as Park Land at the next Town Board Meeting on August 11, 2021.

Continued discussion on New York Cannabis Law Municipal Opt Out Provisions.

DISCUSSION: The board asked a few questions to the Attorney about the Opt Out Provisions. The Board will review the Memorandum supplied by the Attorney and continue discussion at the next Town Board Meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion to be held on installing a splash pad at the Recreation Field.

DISCUSSION: Kevin will provide more information at the next Town Board Meeting and this would be put out to bid.

ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT – SWAN STREET CULVERT WITH WARREN COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT.

RESOLUTION #106-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg received request to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement – Swan Street Culvert with Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District. Warren County S.W.C.D. is seeking funding on behalf of the Town from NYSDEC for planning and design of a new crossing in the sum of \$30,000. There would be personnel match from the Town in the amount of \$2,583 along with town equipment uses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Warren County S.W.C.D for Swan Street Culvert funding.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: 5 **NAYS:** 0 **ABSTAIN:** 0

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

REQUEST FOR NEW 2023 WESTERN STAR 4700SF SINGLE AXLE PLOW TRUCK FOR HIGHWAY DEPT BY COUNTY CONTRACT.

RESOLUTION #107-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Donne-Lynn Winslow

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg received request to bid one (1) new 2023 Western Star 4700SF Single Axle Plow Truck complete for the Highway Department. At the County Contract bid price of \$205,104.00. This will require a bond Resolution in 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request for one (1) new 2023 Western Star 4700SF Single Axle Plow Truck for the Highway Dept. by County Contract price.

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AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

REQUEST TO APPROVE VARIOUS WATER AND SEWER RATE ADJUSTMENT

RESOLUTION #108-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson John Alexander
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Warrensburg request to approve various Water Rate Adjustments at a Net Gain of \$466.00, and various Sewer Rate Adjustments at a Reduction of \$351.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the Various Water and Sewer Rate Adjustment.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: 5 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

The Town received notice that it will receive \$403,480.00 Corona Virus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Half will be paid the summer of 2021 and the other half summer of 2022.

DISCUSSION: Kevin responded that the monies should be used towards water /sewer projects that are in need. These projects are approved for use of the money. If there are any other suggestions please let him know soon. The board will take all into consideration and come up with a plan for the best use of this money.

Welcome Laura Moore as the part-time Museum Director. Welcome Darlene Gunter as the Assistant to the Historian. Welcome Leanna Molloy as the new Town Court Clerk.

DISCUSSION: Sandi Parisi informed Kevin that as of 4:30 on 7/14/2021 Darlene Gunter had left the position of Assistant to the Historian and maybe will come back in the future if there is a need.

Letter of appreciation sent to Carlos Fattibene who has retired as a Crossing Guard. We thank Carlos for his loyal service.

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PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION TO NAOMI COOPER

RESOLUTION #109-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Supervisor Kevin Geraghty
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

WHEREAS, Naomi Cooper has announced her plans to retire as of July 30, 2021. The Town of Warrensburg would like to express their appreciation to **NAOMI COOPER** for her 49 years of outstanding service to the Town starting part time on June 1,1972, performing duties of the Town Bookkeeper and later accepting the Town Court Clerk position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby recognizes Naomi Cooper’s 49 years of dedicated service to the Town and it’s employees as well as many Judges, Prosecutors and Clients. The Town Board recognizes her plan of retirement and would like to wish Naomi a long, happy and relaxing retirement.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin
NAYS: 0

APPROVE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS – (4)

RESOLUTION #110-2021

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson Donne-Lynn Winslow
WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Bryan Rounds

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg request to approve the Budget Modifications as follows:

GENERAL FUND

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>		<u>Debit</u>		<u>Credit</u>
A1990.400	Special Items - Contingency	\$	500.00		
A7450.401	Museum - Electric To cover the cost of electrical expense			\$	500.00
A1990.400	Special Items - Contingency	\$	300.00		
A7140.401	Beach - Electric To cover the cost of electrical expense				\$300.00

HIGHWAY FUND

<u>Account</u>	<u>Description</u>		<u>Debit</u>		<u>Credit</u>
DA2665	Sale of Equipment	\$	45,000.00		
DA5130.200	Machinery - Equipment Sale of equipment sweeper/truck			\$	45,000.00

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CEMETERY FUND

CM8810.400	Cemetery - Contractual	\$499.00	
CM8810.200	Cemetery - Equipment To cover cost of new mower		\$499.00

WATER DISTRICT

SW8340.200	Transmission & Distribution Equipment	\$10,000.00	
SW8320.200	Source of Supply - Equipment To cover equipment purchase		\$10,000.00
SW8340.400	Transmission & Distribution - Contractual	\$ 4,000.00	
SW8320.400	Source of Supply - Contractual To cover contractual Expense		\$ 4,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approves the Budget Modifications.

DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

NAYS: 0

REQUEST TO PAY WARRANTS ON ABSTRACT #7-2021

RESOLUTION #111-2021

On motion of Councilperson Larkin, Seconded by Councilperson Alexander the following resolution was DULY ADOPTED JULY 14, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:

AYES: Geraghty, Alexander, Rounds, Winslow, Larkin

NAYS: 0

RESOLVED, to pay the warrants outlined on Abstract #7-2021 in the following amounts:

WARRANTS:	Total Claims:	\$326,902.99
	General Fund	\$ 35,403.88
	Cemetery Fund	\$ 1,999.19
	Highway Fund	\$ 6,537.76
	Library Ave Sewer	\$ 7,532.50
	Lighting District	\$ 6,366.91
	River Street Sidewalk	\$ 12,949.29
	Papermill Park	\$ 437.60
	Highway Plow Truck	\$205,076.90
	Sewer Fund	\$ 6,424.08
	Water Fund	\$ 44,181.88

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COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Gary Cooper – 1st Question - Ask the board to explain what Pickleball is and how it will benefit the cost of converting 1 of the existing tennis courts. **Bryan Rounds and Donne-Lynn Winslow** responded, explaining how the game is played and that Pickleball is becoming a very popular sport. Also informing that only 1 of the 3 Tennis courts would be converted and all courts would be refurbished.

2nd Question – Asked Board about Blister becoming parkland and not allowing solar panels there.

3rd Question - Asked where town citizens can dispose of unwanted Solar Panels.

4th Question – Asked if Echo Lane road could be fixed and resurfaced due to the water erosion.

5th Question – Asked when will James Street and Sanford Street able to hook into the town sewer?

*****Please see YouTube link on Town Website for complete discussion and comments.**

Teresa Whalen – Asked several questions about the Pickleball and Tennis courts refurbishing project. **Bryan Rounds and Donne-Lynn Winslow** responded again explaining what will be done with the courts conversion and refurbishing project. Teresa also commented on the cleanup of Main Street and some of the issues and problems.

Peggy Knowles – asked if the shrubs along the parking of Tops Market could be trimmed, it is hard to see traffic when pulling out. They were trimmed by Parks & Rec. recently but with all the rain they are growing fast. **Kevin** said they would have them trimmed again.

Linda Marcella – Asked a few questions about the sludge removal project and about Main Street Beautification awards that were done a few years ago and how this incentive might help the Curb Appeal of Main Street. Linda also wanted to thank the board for the decision of making “Blister Hill” Parkland. Linda asked for approval and help from the town in cleaning up the trails on Hackensack Mt.

COMPLETE DISCUSSIONS ON THESE COMMENTS ABOVE CAN BE VIEWED ON THE YOUTUBE LINK LOCATED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE.

MEETING ADJOURN

On motion of Councilperson Alexander the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela M. Lloyd, Town Clerk