### MINUTES TOWN OF WARRENSBURG REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 8, 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:	Councilperson	John Alexander
	Councilperson	Richard Larkin
	Councilperson	Bryan Rounds
	Supervisor	Kevin Geraghty
ABSENT:	Councilperson	Donne Lynn Winslow

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Pamela Lloyd, Town Clerk; Robert Hafner, Town Attorney; Tracy Benoit, Water/Sewer/Parks & Recs Manager; Joyce Reed, Water/Sewer Clerk; Jim Hull, Code Enforcement Officer; Patti Corlew, Planning/Zoning Administrator; Sandi Parisi, Town Historian; Laura Moore, Museum Director; Teresa Whalen, Beautification. Several Public Attendees: Susan Hull, Gary Cooper, Clara Bates, Peggy Knowles, Glenda Duell, Linda Marcella, Etc.

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

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

The Town Officials reports were received and read by the following: Town Clerk – Pamela Lloyd; Supervisor – Kevin Geraghty; Assessor, Justice – John Alexander; Dog Report – Not read; Planning Department – Bryan Rounds; Code Enforcement – Jim Hull.

#### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

The Committee Reports were received and read by the following: Beautification – Teresa Whalen; Highway – Bryan Rounds; Economic Development – Richard Larkin; Landfill, Youth – Kevin Geraghty Sewer/Water, Parks/Recreation, Lighting – John Alexander; Historian – Sandi Parisi; Museum – Laura Moore.

#### **APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON AUGUST 11, 2021**

#### **RESOLUTION #127-2021**

**RESOLVED**, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Town Board Meeting held on August 11, 2021

On motion of Councilperson Alexander, Seconded by Supervisor Geraghty, the following resolution was ADOPTED

AYES: Councilperson Alexander, Supervisor Geraghty

NAYS: Councilperson Rounds, Larkin

## **ABSENT:** Councilperson Winslow

### **COMMUNICATIONS**:

Thank you letter from Nora Mongan of Building 10 Homeowners Association on Green Mansions Road for the good paving project. Thank you from Susan Farber on the paving project on Green Mansions Road.

Letter from Sheila Mender about concerns around Victory Court, Grandview Lane and intersection of Library Avenue and Milton Street.

Packet sent to the Town Board from "We the People of Warrensburg" about One Year Moratorium and Amendments to the Zoning code.

Emails on lack of Broadband Service up the Golf Course Road and Blackberry Lane.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

## <u>REJECT THE BID FOR REMOVAL OF SLUDGE FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT</u> <u>PLANT</u>

## **RESOLUTION #128-2021**

## **INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

### SECONDED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Warrensburg Request to reject the Bid received from Denali Water Solutions and opened at the August 11,2021 Town Board meeting for removal of Sludge from the Lagoons at the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The Engineers and the board felt the bid price was too excessive.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved to Reject the Bid received from Denali Water Solutions due to the excessive bid price.

# DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

 AYES:
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 NAYS:
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 ABSENT:
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## AYES: Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor Geraghty

## **ABSENT:** Councilperson Winslow

Had a meeting with the Town Engineers and Water Department about next phase in locating a new well in the Town. We will start contacting land owners to see if we can work on locating a well in an area determined by our report. We will be looking for a location up the Golf Course Road.

**DISCUSSION:** Supervisor Geraghty explained that most of the existing wells are located up on Horicon Avenue and if something was to happen to the Lines and needed repair the town would like to have a well on the other side of town so the town doesn't run out of water.

We have received notice from the American Recovery Act that the amount of funds has increased by \$1,647.31.

**DISCUSSION:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that all the necessary reports were filed with federal government and will be scheduling a meeting soon to go over what the funds can be used for.

Still waiting on a couple more quotes on installing new fencing around the tennis courts at the recreation field.

## <u>REQUEST TO PAUSE RESOLUTION #113-2021 FOR A (1) YEAR MORATORIUM ON</u> <u>DEVELOPMENT AND A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND THE ZONING CODE FOR PROPERTY</u> <u>DEPICTED ON THE NATIONAL HISTORIC REGISTRY</u>

#### **RESOLUTION #129-2021**

## **INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Rich Larkin **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

#### **SECONDED BY**: Councilperson John Alexander

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Warrensburg Request to Pause Resolution #113-2021 set at the Town Board Meeting held on August 11, 2021 for the request of a 1 year Moratorium on development and to have the Town Attorney draft a local law to amend the zoning codes of property depicted on the National Historic Registry.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved to Pause Resolution #113-2021 for further discussions and Attorney reviews.

# DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: <u>4</u> NAYS: <u>0</u> ABSENT: <u>1</u>

AYES: Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor Geraghty ABSENT: Councilperson Winslow DISCUSSION ON THE ABOVE RESOLUTION CAN BE VIEWED ON THE

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#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Water System Field Compliance Inspection Report has been completed with No Critical Violations reported, No Non-Critical Violations reported and No Deficiencies Reports.

**DISSCUSSION:** Supervisor Geraghty stated that a very good report was received and the credit for this goes to Tracy Benoit, the Water Department Manager and all the Employees. Thank you for an excellent job.

Code Enforcement made an inquiry to the status of clean-up of Grist Mill structure. We were informed by management that they are still working with the insurance company.

Reports received from Chazen Company on the Phase 1 Study on the King Street property. Reports are available in the Town Clerks Office.

## **REQUEST TO HAVE CHAZEN COMPANY START PHASE 2 STUDY OF 9 KING STREET PROPERTY**

#### **RESOLUTION #130-2021**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION** 

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Rich Larkin

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Warrensburg Request to have the Chazen Company start the Phase 2 Study on 9 King Street Property.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request to allow the Chazen Company start the Phase 2 Study on 9 King Street Property.

DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: <u>4</u> NAYS: <u>0</u> ABSENT: <u>1</u>

# AYES:Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor GeraghtyABSENT:Councilperson Winslow

An ad was placed in the newspaper looking for additional Crossing Guard.

We had a meeting with Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce to go over plans for the World's Largest Garage Sale on October 1 - 3, 2021. Reminder to everyone that certain streets are Emergency Routes to allow passage of EMS and Fire Vehicles so please be aware that strict no-parking will be enforced.

## **REQUEST TO RESTRICT PARKING FOR THE WORLD'S LARGEST GARAGE SALE**

#### **RESOLUTION #131-2021**

# **INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Richard Larkin **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

#### SECONDED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrensburg request to restrict parking on the following streets listed below during the World's Largest Garage Sale.

#### **Highway Department**

Emerson Avenue – NO PARKING - Both Sides – Labeled as EMERGENCY ROUTES Park Street – NO PARKING - Both Sides Second Avenue – NO PARKING - Both Sides - Labeled as EMERGENCY ROUTES Hackensack Avenue – NO PARKING – Both Sides - King Street to Warren Street Adirondack Avenue – NO PARKING – Both Sides Warrensburg Cemetery – NO PARKING

#### Warren County

Elm Street – NO PARKING - Bandstand to Library Avenue – West side of Street Elm Street – NO PARKING – To the Firehouse – West side of Street Elm Street – NO PARKING – From Firehouse to SR 418 Intersection – West side of Street Hackensack Avenue – NO PARKING – Both Sides – Main Street to King Street Library Avenue – NO PARKING – Both Sides - Elm Street to James Street

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request for parking restrictions for the streets listed above during the World's Largest Garage sale.

# DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

 AYES:
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 NAYS:
 0
 ABSENT:
 1

AYES:Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor GeraghtyABSENT:Councilperson Winslow

## <u>REQUEST FROM NORTH WARREN SNOWMOBILE CLUB TO USE WATER DISTRICT</u> <u>PROPERTY</u>

**RESOLUTION #132-2021** 

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION** 

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Rich Larkin

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Warrensburg received a request from North Warren Snowmobile Club to use some of the Water District property for snowmobile trails.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request to allow North Warren Snowmobile Club to utilize some of the Water District property for trail use.

# DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: <u>4</u> NAYS: <u>0</u> ABSENT: <u>1</u>

AYES:Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor GeraghtyABSENT:Councilperson Winslow

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE WILL RESEARCH AND APPLY FOR NYS HOME & NYS (CDBG) HOUSING ACTIVITY GRANT FUNDING

#### **RESOLUTION #133-2021**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Richard Larkin **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION** 

#### SECONDED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Warrensburg received information on the NYS HOME & NYS CDBG Housing activity Grant funding.

**WHEREAS,** Supervisor Geraghty ask that the Economic Development Committee research and look into applying for the grant funding available.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved and the Economic Development Committee agreed to Research and Apply for the NYS HOME & NYS CDBG HOUSING ACTIVITY grant funding available

## DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

 AYES:
 4
 NAYS:
 0
 ABSENT:
 1

 AYES:
 Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor Geraghty

 ABSENT:
 Councilperson Winslow

 DISCUSSION ON THE ABOVE RESOLUTION CAN BE VIEWED ON THE YOUTUBE LINK

 FOUND ON THE TOWN WEBSITE.

### **REQUEST FROM THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR OCCUPANCY TAX**

#### **RESOLUTION #134-2021**

**INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson Bryan Rounds **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION** 

#### SECONDED BY: Councilperson John Alexander

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Warrensburg received a request from the Historical Society for Occupancy funds in the amount of \$700.00 to pay for advertising.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board of Warrensburg hereby approved the request for Occupancy funds in the amount of \$700.00 from the Historical Society to pay for advertising.

# DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY ROLL CALL VOTE ON WHICH RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

 AYES:
 <u>4</u>
 NAYS:
 <u>0</u>
 ABSENT:
 <u>1</u>

# AYES:Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor GeraghtyABSENT:Councilperson Winslow

Thank you to John and Lisa Alexander to making a \$1,507.80 donation for Christmas Decorations.

Received an inquiry about purchasing two lots on Alden Avenue, lot 236.-1-4 16.50 acres and 236.-1-5.2 3.14 acres from Henry Moulton. Each lot is valued at \$800 per acre for a total of \$15,700. If it is decided to sell the property it is subject to Permissive Referendum. This property is Water District property. **DISCUSSION:** The Town Board will take a look at property, and Attorney Hafner will take a look at the deed and it will be brought back for discussion at the next meeting.

## **APPROVE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS – (3)**

### **RESOLUTION #135-2021**

## **INTRODUCED BY:** Councilperson John Alexander **WHO MOVED ITS ADOPTION**

## SECONDED BY: Councilperson Richard Larkin

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

	GENERAL FUND		
<u>Account</u>	<b>Description</b>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
A1990.400	Special Items - Contingent	\$ 139.00	
A1910.400	Special Items - Unallocated Insurance		\$ 139.00
	To cover insurance cost		
A7310.100	Youth Program - Personal Services	\$ 836.70	
A7310.400	Youth Program - Contractual	\$ 1,000.00	
A7310.401	Youth Program - Youth Court	\$ 1,000.00	
A1990.400	Special Items - Contingent	\$ 2,601.81	
A7140.100	Beach Personal Services		\$ 5,438.51
	To cover Life Guard Salaries		
A8010.200	Zoning - Equipment	\$ 500.00	
A8020.200	Planning - Equipment	\$ 500.00	
A8020.100	Planning - Contractual	\$ 2,661.97	
A8010.400	Zoning - Contractual		\$ 3,661.97
	To cover yard clean up		
	<u>CEMETERY FUND</u>		
CM8810.100	Cemetery - Personal Services	\$ 2,500.00	
CM8810.400	Cemetery - Contractual		\$ 2,500.00
	To cover grave digging		
	SEWER FUND		
SS8130.200	Sewage Treatment & Disposal - Equipment	\$ 1,500.00	
SS8130.400	Sewage Treatment & Disposal - Contractual		\$ 1,500.00
	To cover future expenses		
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## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

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

## **DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

	AYES: <u>4</u>	NAYS:	<u>0</u>	ABSENT: <u>1</u>
AYES:	Councilperson Al	exander, Round	ls, Larl	kin, Supervisor Geraghty
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>Councilperson W</b>	inslow		

#### **REQUEST TO PAY WARRANTS ON ABSTRACT #9-2021**

#### **RESOLUTION #136-2021**

**On motion of** Councilperson Richard Larkin **Seconded by** Councilperson Bryan Rounds

#### **DULY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTES:**

#### AYES: Councilperson Alexander, Rounds, Larkin, Supervisor Geraghty ABSENT: Councilperson Winslow

**RESOLVED**, to pay the warrants outlined on Abstract #9-2021 in the following amounts:

WARRANTS:	<b>Total Claims:</b>	\$414,358.97
	General Fund	\$ 36,900.82
	Cemetery Fund	\$ 1,150.64
	Highway Fund	\$316,039.16
	Papermill Park	\$ 2,512.62
	Highway Plow	\$ 29,293.10
	Lighting District	\$ 6,702.12
	Sewer Fund	\$ 7,308.83
	Water Fund	\$ 13,821.68

### COMPLETE DISCUSSIONS ON ALL COMMENTS LISTED BELOW CAN BE VIEWED ON THE YOUTUBE LINK LOCATED ON THE TOWN WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE.

#### **COMMENTS:**

Joyce Reed – Thanked the board for allowing her to speak. She questioned the purpose and legality of the resolution request that was presented by Councilperson Larkin at the August 11, 2021 meeting in regards to placing a Moratorium on lands depicted on a map of a National Historical District Registry. She spoke of the extensive research she completed and the findings of this research on the Historical District and the Warrensburg Beautification Committee's involvement. Please see the YouTube Link for the complete discussions.

**Teresa Whalen** – Responded to Joyce Reeds comments and concerns about restrictions of property on this National Historical Registry. She spoke of the Comprehensive plan recognizing the Historical properties but does not have any ordinance in place to protect them and this needs to be addressed. **Please see the YouTube Link for the complete discussions.** 

**Paul Gilchrist** – Had some comments about the Planning Board meeting and Supervisor Geraghty told him those questions are for the Planning Board and can not be answered by the Town Board. He spoke of inviting everyone to a presentation sponsored by the Historical Society and Beautification Committee being held at the The Bond 1876.

**Sandi Parisi** – Asked if there is going to be a connection with the snowmobile trails between Warrensburg and Thurman? **Supervisor Geraghty** responded that at this time they were not aware of any such connection in place. **Sandi also** wanted to let people know that the Economic Development Committee has a Questionnaire that will be mailed along with the Town Newsletter to all taxpayers.

**Peggy Knowles** – Wanted to say Thank you for removing the shrubs along the parking lot of Tops Market.

**Gary Cooper - 1**<sup>st</sup> **Question** – asked if there is anything in the town code for having roosters and chickens in the Hamlet? Jim Hull, Code Enforcement responded with the answer of, No there is nothing in the town code.

2<sup>nd</sup> Question – Asked if 9 King Street (old town highway building) could be sold as is? Attorney Hafner and Supervisor Geraghty stated there would have to be an attorney client privilege meeting to discuss any possible liabilities first.

 $3^{rd}$  Question – Asked if property that is owned by the town and by Pruning Pines off of Lake Avenue in a L-Shaped piece going to boat launch on Echo Lake is for sale? **Supervisor Geraghty** responded that he would check with the assessor and attorney on the deed and property information before answering the question.

4<sup>th</sup> Question – Asked Supervisor Geraghty if Councilperson Rounds said earlier in the meeting that the town needs more parking and he would be ok with tearing down an historical bldg and putting up a metered parking lot. Councilperson Rounds responded. Please see the YouTube Link for the complete discussions.

John Goettsche – Asked about the sound system not working well at the Zoning Meeting. Councilperson Alexander responded, they are working the issue and the technician was present at the meeting trying to diagnose the problem.

Linda Marcella – Expressed a lot of concerns she has about what she wants for the Town and about updating zoning codes and comprehensive plan. Supervisor Geraghty responded, that he agrees and it needs and will be addressed soon. Please see the YouTube Link for the complete discussions.

Supervisor Geraghty – Reminder of the September 11 Memorial services will be held at the Bandstand on Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**Bryan Rounds** – Asked the Town Clerk, Pam Lloyd if he would find a Foil request from Citizen Reed on the Historical District where she accessed that information or was it on town time? Both Joyce Reed and Pam Lloyd answered No, Joyce Reed did this on her own personal time. **Please see the YouTube Link for the complete discussions.** 

**Glenda Duell** – Stated she was personal offended for what Councilperson Rounds said about Citizen Reed and she has every right to research, work and protect her property.

## **MEETING ADJOURN**

On motion of Councilperson Alexander the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,** 

Pamela M. Lloyd, Town Clerk