

Minutes of the Town of Sennett Organizational Town Board Meeting Held on Thursday, January 4, 2024, at 6:30 PM at the Sennett Town Office Building.

Members Present: Thomas Blair, Supervisor
Michael Wellauer, Councilman
Edward Rizzo, Councilman
Kristopher LaPointe, Councilman (remote)
James Vivenzio, Councilman

Also Present: Kathleen Salisbury, Town Clerk
Kristopher LaPointe, Water & Sewer Superintendent

Remote Attendance: Jerry, Dick Phillips, BillyBob

CALL TO ORDER - - The meeting is called to Order at 6:32 p.m. by Supervisor Blair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The meeting is opened with the pledge to the flag, followed by a prayer by Supervisor Blair.

ROLL CALL - Town Clerk Salisbury opens the meeting with a Roll Call, Councilman Vivenzio, Councilman Wellauer, Councilman Rizzo, Councilman LaPointe, and Supervisor Blair are present.

NEW BUSINESS - Supervisor Blair went over the list of those newly elected to the Town and welcomed new councilmen Kris LaPointe and Jim Vivenzio and Highway Superintendent Bruce Babilot.

- **TOWN APPOINTMENTS** - A list of 2024 appointments was distributed to the Board.

Discussion was held regarding the openings on the Planning Board for a full member and an alternate. After discussion

- **OTHER APPROVALS** - a list of Other Approvals was distributed to the Board

Supervisor Blair went over the list of proposed Appointments with terms, Ad Hoc Committees and Other approvals.

2024 Appointments

Planning Board:

Robert Edmunds, Chairman	12/31/2024	01/01/2018 - 12/31/2024
Michael Szozda, Deputy Chairman	12/31/2025	01/01/2019 - 12/31/2025
Joe Giacona, Member	12/31/2029	01/01/2023 - 12/31/2029
Jerry Sankey, Member	12/31/2026	01/01/2020 - 12/31/2026
Christopher Peters, Member	12/31/2028	01/01/2022 - 12/31/2028
Jeremy Bacon, Member	12/31/2027	01/01/2021 - 12/31/2027
Gideon Driscoll, Member	12/31/2030	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2030
Daniel O'Hara, Alternate	12/31/2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024
Jeana Leamy, Alternate	12/31/2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024
Dominic Giacona, Attorney	12/31/2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024
Heather Edmunds, Secretary	12/31/2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024

Zoning Board of Appeals:

Dennis Sherry, Chairman	12/31/2028	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2028
David Sikora, Deputy Chairman	12/31/2026	01/01/2022 - 12/31/2026
Jeffrey Hofmann, Member	12/31/2027	01/01/2023 - 12/31/2027
Marion Cool, Member	12/31/2024	01/01/2020 - 12/31/2024
Bob Steiner, Member	12/31/2025	01/01/2021 - 12/31/2025
Edward Magdziak, Alternate	12/31/2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024
NEED AN ALTERNATE		
Heather Edmunds, Secretary	12/31/2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024

ZBA Alternate position = One remains open and will be advertised

Board of Assessment Review:

David Hearn, Member	9/30/2027	10/01/2023 - 09/30/2027
Arlie Howell, Member	9/30/2026	10/01/2022 - 09/30/2026
Aaron Burnham, Member	9/30/2025	10/01/2021 - 09/30/2025
Michael Cuddy, Member	9/30/2024	10/01/2020 - 09/30/2024

Ethics Board

Bookkeeper
Code Enforcement Officer
Fire Marshal
Zoning Enforcement Officer
Deputy Highway Superintendent
Town Historians
Constables
Court Clerk
Records Management Officer

To Be Advertised

Cheri Major
Harold Gilfus
Harold Gilfus
Jerry VeVone
Bill Perkins
Jim Vivenzio & Scott Longtin
Charles Augello and Al Parsons
Deborah French
Kate Salisbury

Vital Statistics Registrar
Deputy Vital Statistics Registrar
Dog Control Officer
Water and Sewer Billing Clerk
Water and Sewer Clerk Collector

Kate Salisbury
Tom Blair
FLDPA - Carl & Jen Collier
Kris A. LaPointe
Kate Salisbury

Banks

M&T, Savannah Bank, Lyons National Bank,
Cayuga Lake

Audit Firm

Insero & Co.

Tompkins Health Consortium Rep.

Tom Blair

Owasco Lake Watershed Committee Rep.

Tom Blair

Town Board Consulting Attorneys

Costello Cooney & Fearon, PLLC

Planning Board Consulting Attorney

Dominic Giacona

ZBA Consulting Attorneys

Costello Cooney & Fearon, PLLC

Consulting Engineer

MRB Group

Official Town Newspaper

Auburn Citizen

2024 Ad Hoc Committees

Agricultural Committee

Business Committee

Sennett Seniors Committee

Veterans Affairs Committee

Technology Committee

Parks and Recreation Committee

Other Approvals

Advance Conference Expenses = \$1,000.00

Mileage Reimbursement Rate = \$.67/mile (IRS rate)

Approval of bills lawfully due that may accrue a late charge or finance fees
(subject to review and recommendation of Supervisor and Bookkeeper)

Permit Fee Schedule

Planning Board Attorney Fees Schedule

Planning Board Engineering Fees Schedule

Rules of Procedure for Town Board Meetings

2024 Town Board Regular Meeting Nights - 3rd Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Return Check Fees

\$20.00

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to appoint Jeremy Bacon as a Member to the Planning Board, filling the remaining term of Mike Case that expires on 12/31/2027. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo to appoint Dick Phillips as a Member to the Planning Board for a new 7-year term commencing 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2030. No second to the motion.

Motion made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman LaPointe to appoint Gideon Driscoll as a Member to the Planning Board, for a new 7-year term commencing 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2030. No discussion. All in favor. 4 Ayes 1 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman LaPointe, seconded by Councilman Rizzo to offer the Planning Board Alternate Position for a 1-year term for calendar year 2024 to Dick Phillips and in the event he declines, to then appoint the Alternate Term to Jeana Leamy. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Dennis Sherry as a Member to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a new 5-year term commencing 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2027 and also as Chairman for 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman LaPointe to appoint Ed Magdziak as an Alternate Member to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a 1-year term for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman LaPointe to appoint Dan O'Hara as an Alternate Member to the Planning Board for a 1-year term for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Blair, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to appoint Councilman Ed Rizzo as the AOT representative for calendar year 2024. No discussion. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain Approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Blair, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio that Town Board meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Vivenzio, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to keep the Ad Hoc Committees for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Blair, seconded by Councilman LaPointe to appoint Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC as Consulting Attorney and Attorney for the Zoning Board of Appeals for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman Rizzo to appoint Harold Gilfus as Code Enforcement Officer and Fire Marshal and to also appoint Jerry VeVone as Zoning Enforcement Officer for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Kristopher A. LaPointe as Water Superintendent for calendar year 2024. No discussion. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman Rizzo to appoint Harold Gilfus as Code Enforcement Officer and Fire Marshal and to also appoint Jerry VeVone as Zoning Enforcement Officer for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Deborah French as Court Clerk for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to appoint Charles Augello and Gordon Parsons as Town Constables for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to appoint Scott Longtin and Jim Vivenzio as Town Historians for calendar year 2024. No discussion. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain Approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Blair, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Cherie Major as Bookkeeper for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Kate Salisbury as Records Management Officer, Water Billing Collector and Registrar of Vital Statistics for calendar year 2024. No discussion. 4 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent 1 Abstain Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Vivenzio, seconded by Councilman Rizzo to appoint Kathy Gray as Head of Sennett Seniors for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Deborah French as Court Clerk for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Supervisor Blair, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint MRB as Town Consulting Engineers for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to appoint Fingerlakes Dog Protection Agency as Animal Control Officers for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Motion made by Councilman Rizzo, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to appoint Bill Perkins as Deputy Highway Superintendent for calendar year 2024. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

There is one opening for a ZBA Alternate and one opening for a Board of Assessment Review member.

Motion made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman Vivenzio to approve the list of Other Approvals as referenced. No discussion. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 Nays 0 Absent Approved.

Roll Call vote

Councilman Vivenzio	Yes
Councilman Wellauer	Yes
Councilman Rizzo	Yes
Councilman LaPointe	Yes
Supervisor Blair	Yes

The appointments and committees are adopted. The new members and appointments will be sworn in.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING - Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Vivenzio, seconded by Councilman Wellauer. All in favor. 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Salisbury, Town Clerk
Town of Sennett



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SENNETT TOWN BOARD LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS -2024

- Ed Rizzo** - Planning Board, Special Districts, Justice Court System, Building & Grounds, Subdivision Local Law Project
- Mike Wellauer** - ZBA, Water Department, Town Roads and V&T, Code/Zoning Enforcement, Fire Marshal, Rural Internet Services, Civil Service
- Kris LaPointe** - Highway Department, Parks, Recreation & Trails, Employee Insurance & Benefits, Office of the Assessor, BAR, Employee Handbook
- Jim Vivenzio** - Office of the Town Clerk, E-Code 360 Codification Project, Records Digitization, History and Historic Landmarks, Cemeteries, Animal Control
- Tom Blair** - OWLA, Health Insurance Consortium, AD Hoc Committees, Sennett Fire District & Ambulance, Budget, Audit Control, Intergovernmental Relations, Personnel, Business Development, BANS/Bonds