

Minutes of the Town of Sennett Town Board Meeting Held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 6:30 PM at the Sennett Town Office Building.

Members Present: Thomas Blair, Supervisor
Richard Gagliardi, Councilman
Michael Wellauer, Councilman
Edward Rizzo, Councilman
Robert Edmunds, Councilman

Also Present: Kathleen Salisbury, Town Clerk
Kristopher LaPointe, Highway Superintendent
Kristopher LaPointe, Water & Sewer Superintendent
Jeremy Bacon, Planning Board Chairman
Jeff Lowe, Assessor
Bill Feocco
Ed Magdziak
John Komarisky, Fire Commissioner Chairman
Donald DelloStritto
Joanne Field
Tim O'Connell
Jerry Sankey

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting is called to Order by Supervisor Blair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE - The meeting is opened with the pledge to the flag and a prayer by Supervisor Blair.

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

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - Meeting Minutes for January 20, 2022 are reviewed by the Board. Motion is made by Councilman Wellauer to approve the January 20, 2022 minutes, seconded by Councilman Gagliardi. All in favor. 5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent, carried.

SCHEDULED SPEAKERS -Supervisor Blair advises there are no scheduled speakers.

PUBLIC BE HEARD - Motion is made by Councilman Gagliardi to open the Public Be Heard Period, seconded by Councilman Rizzo. All in favor. 5 ayes 0 nays 0 absent, carried.

John Komarisky, Fire Commissioner Chairman - Mr. Komarisky inquired about Sennett Seniors support. Supervisor Blair advises there is a Seniors Committee in place.

Joanne Field, 3100 Highland Street Extension. Ms. Field discusses with the Board her concerns regarding the fence and shed erected at 12 S. Hunter Avenue. She is here to get an answer to her prior concerns. Ms. Field provides to Supervisor Blair a letter she sent to Zoning Officer Vevone. She advises she has not heard back after hand delivering said letter to the Town Clerk's Office. Supervisor Blair advises her that the Board will follow up with Mr. Vevone and get back to her.

Don DelloStritto, Town Hall Road. Mr. DelloStritto voices his concerns to the Board regarding the speed limits on Franklin Street Road, Pine Ridge Road, Route 20 and Town Hall Road. The speed limits of 55mph on the mentioned roads are unsafe. Supervisor Blair advises Mr. DelloStritto that he and his neighbors have the option to bring a petition to the Board to lower the speed limit on Town Hall Road. The Board has been contacted by the Town of Skaneateles regarding the speed limit on Franklin Street Road and will be sending a letter to Cayuga County Highway Superintendent seeking their assistance and guidance. Mr. DelloStritto also inquired about the compost pile and wondered if there was a way to keep plastic bags out of the mulch they distribute. Highway Superintendent LaPointe advised that while he advises no plastic bags, people still put them out and sometimes they get mixed in. He will make sure that the residents are advised no plastic is allowed.

Commissioner Chairman Komarisky asks to speak again and advises that Franklin Street Road is a very dangerous road and there have been a number of accidents and fatalities. Speed reduction would be good.

Tim O'Connell inquires as to why the water tower needs to be put back in use. Supervisor Blair advises that the prior administration passed a resolution for this project due to pressure issues and it has been underway for quite some time and there's no going back

With no further public comments, a motion to close is made by Councilman Rizzo and seconded by Councilman Rizzo. All in favor. 5 yes 0 nays 0 absent, carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. Town Clerk - Town Clerk Salisbury advised that the January 2022 report was in the Board's meeting packet for their review.
- b. Bookkeeper - Supervisor Blair advises that the Bookkeeper continues to work on the documents for the audit as well as year-end.
- c. Highway Dept. - Highway Superintendent Kristopher L. LaPointe's report was in the Board's meeting packet for their review. In addition, the department plowed and sanded 30 times since last meeting, spread over 360 tons of salt and the shop was painted by the employees.
- d. Water Dept. - Water Superintendent Kristopher A. LaPointe's report was in the Board's meeting packet for their review. He further advised that Erik Withey is working out great. Discussions were held regarding the Skaneateles water charge increase and that there are 11 households in that district who pay usage only, no

- O&M. Conditional motion by Councilman Edmunds, seconded by Councilman Wellauer to send a letter to the residents advising of the increase
- e. Town Assessor - Assessor Jeff Lowe gave his report that it is exemption time and people are submitting their forms. Councilman Edmunds provided the report of the Assessor, advising that it is a very busy time with exemptions.
 - f. Attorney - Attorney Rich Andino's report was provided to Supervisor and advised that the Panna Easement still needs to be signed.
 - g. Fire District - Fire Commissioner Komarisky provides the report from the Sennett Fire Department who reported to 34 alarms in January.
 - h. Codes/Zoning Enforcement Officer - A written status report is provided to the Board by Codes Officer Passarello advising that Tractor Supply interior renovations are complete and greenhouse construction will begin in the spring; Chipotle is still being reviewed with the Planning Board; National Maintenance is nearly complete; the liquor store in the old MMDI building is nearly complete; Fingerlakes Tire's new location is moving slowly and Sennett Meadows framing construction on the west wing has begun. Zoning Officer/Fire Marshall VeVone provided a written status report to the Board by report on fire and zoning inspections.
 - i. Planning Board - Chairman Bacon advised that the Planning Board is still reviewing the Chipotle plans and a potential new subdivision at the corner of Beech Rd and Route 20.
 - j. Dog Control Officer - FLDPA provided a written report to the Board with activities they responded to and patrolled in January.
 - k. Committees - We are still looking for volunteers for the various committees we are looking to fill.

OLD BUSINESS

- WDs 1&3 project - The Board is still awaiting a signed Easement Agreement from Panna. Motion is made by Councilman Rizzo and seconded by Councilman Gagliardi to give approval for MRB to begin bid specs on the condition that Panna signs the Easement with requested changes.

Discussions were held regarding the Panna Easement and changes required prior to Panna signing with regard to payment and access. After such discussions, Councilman Edmunds made a motion and seconded by Councilman Wellauer to approve the Supervisor to sign the Easement so long as changes are accepted by Panna.

- Town Park & Grant - Supervisor Blair advised that the Teeters could provide a landscape quote.
- Town Hall cleaning quote - Hold off on proceeding with the waxing of the floors as a new bid will be submitted.
- Website progress
- Town Hall security camera project - Councilman Edmunds provided his report and concluded that after conducting research, that NetManageIT is the recommended company. A motion to accept the quote from NetManageIT is

made by Councilman Wellauer and seconded by Councilman Rizzo. The funds will be used from ARPA. Roll call vote:

Councilman Gagliardi	Yes
Councilman Wellauer	Yes
Councilman Rizzo	Yes
Councilman Edmunds	Yes
Supervisor Blair	Yes

Motion carried

- Town Lighting replacements - waiting for money
- Animal Control Officer contract - Councilman Edmunds will reach out to FLDPA to discuss his contract and duties.
- Town Hall capital needs - Supervisor Blair and Councilman Rizzo walked around the building and grounds and made a list of improvements to be made.
- Town signage projects

Councilman Rizzo inquires as to why on Mutton Hill residents in WD#3 are paying into WD#1 and why one resident meter is read and the owner collects from the other 8 residents. Discussions were held and the matter was tabled until further review can be done.

Chairman Bacon requests that MRB training and status updates be put on the website.

NEW BUSINESS

- Retiring Town Employee Benefit clarity - Attorney Andino is reviewing this for clarification.
- Town Employee Handbook - Public Service Sector prepared the Town Employee Handbook - new regulations to be updated \$950 next month. It was discussed that an employee workshop would be held at a later date to discuss some sections of the Handbook
- Intro LL regarding remote attendance at meetings - LL #2 regarding remote attendance at meetings was introduced by Councilman Edmunds and seconded by Councilman Wellauer. A public hearing will be held on March 17, 2022. All in favor. 5 Ayes 0 nays 0 absent.

SUPERVISOR CORRESPONDENCE/REPORT - Skaneateles Supervisor Janet Aaron has sent a letter to Supervisor Blair requesting assistance in lowering the speed limit on Franklin Street Road and the 5 way intersection.

ARPA funds - repair front and back lots.

Cayuga County Civil Service list - need to update

EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NECESSARY) - There was no executive session held.

PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS - Vouchers - Motion by Councilman Edmunds, seconded by Councilman Rizzo.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING - Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Wellauer, seconded by Councilman Edmunds. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Salisbury, Town Clerk
Town of Sennett