

Minutes of the Sennett Town Board Meeting held on Thursday October 21, 2021, at the Town of Sennett.

Present: Thomas Gray, Supervisor  
James Jeffers, Councilman  
Richard Gagliardi, Councilman, excused  
Michael Adrian, Councilman  
Edward Rizzo, Councilman  
Kris LaPointe, Highway Superintendent  
Kristopher LaPointe, Water and Wastewater Superintendent  
Penelope Dennis, Town Clerk

The meeting is opened by the Supervisor with the pledge to the flag. A verbal was done for people on Zoom. Councilman Jeffers makes a motion to open Public to be Heard, seconded by Councilman Adrian, 4 ayes, 1 absent, carried. Hearing no comments thee Public to be Heard is closed on a motion made Councilman Jeffers, seconded by Councilman Rizzo, 4 ayes, 1 absent, carried.

Minutes of the August 19, 2021 and the September 16, 2021 minutes are approved on a motion made by Councilman Jeffers, seconded by Councilman Adrian, 4 ayes, 1 absent, carried.

Old Business: Attorney Andino is unavailable tonight, Supervisor Gray has been on the phone with him today and he told the board members that if they had any questions to call him.

Water District #3 Project: We are still waiting for the letter from the NYS Health Department – we needed a new one, updated. We are still waiting for the O'Connell easement. There is discussion on this. The town has given them all the options that they requested. Paul Chatfield will reach out to them again and he wondered if any of the board members would also try. Councilman Adrian will try his hand at talking to them. Also, the Railroad easement is almost complete.

Building and Maintenance report: Kris LaPointe reports that he sent out information to the companies and he received a link from one of the companies that the government has banned the use of that brand of cameras because it has a chip in it that can be used for spying on the users. Integrity Systems has submitted a new bid that is \$26,700.00. they told Kris that it is costly to install the cameras - at least six hours. There is some discussion on this. Chimera Security has submitted two bids – one at \$12,000.00 and one at \$20,000.00. Kris also states that the two companies would be willing to come and answer any questions that anyone may have. They will try to get all the information together for the November meeting. Councilman Rizzo would like to

overseen by the MRB Group, and the final piece that someone from his office will be there to do the final certification and an as built of the line (certified). So the town will have those final layers of assurance/certification. Councilman Jeffers questions so, it is a gravity from the building to Quincy Hill? To the pump station across your property. How long is it? About 1000 feet – so a couple of manholes, and a couple of easements, and why are we taking it over? Why won't it be Cornerstone for the rest of time? Matt Napierala states that that is the solution that the Towns attorney and Cornerstone's attorney came up with. Councilman Jeffers is not happy with that, he doesn't think that the board has discussed that either. Councilman Jeffers states that he is not in favor of having to maintain the line for ever. Councilman Adrian asks who owns the sewer lines of the existing subdivision? The town does. There are further comments/discussion on this. Matt Napierala explains the situation also – newer systems, longer life span of the products used in the construction, etc. Supervisor Gray reads the maintenance agreement for the line. Supervisor Gray makes a motion to approve this dependent upon the legal review and the letter of credit coming through with the understanding that there will be a third-party inspection. There are comments on this. Kristopher LaPointe asks if there is any demarcation on the drawing as to this is where the town takes control or is it the full run of the sewer? Similar to a water line, there is a hotbox and on the other side it's their responsibility to take care of. Matt Napierala states that there is a manhole in the parking area with two service lines going to the building and he feels that would be the logical point that if there was an easement that the town would be responsible from there to the west to the pump station and the owners would be responsible from the manhole to the buildings. That could be part of the final legal work. There is discussion/comments on this. Councilman Adrian would like this added to the motion originally made by Supervisor Gray that Cornerstone is responsible for the sewer line starting at the manhole in the parking area up to the building along with the third party overseeing of the installation of the sewer line. Roll call vote: Councilman Adrian yes, Councilman Rizzo yes, Supervisor Gray yes, Councilman Jeffers no, Councilman Gagliardi absent, carried. Next is the Performance Agreement, Supervisor Gray states that Cornerstone will put up a letter of credit for \$285,190.51 to cover any costs if they do not meet the performance and insurance has been developed for the project also. Supervisor Gray goes over the information. Supervisor Gray makes a motion to approve this Performance Agreement based upon final approval by the attorneys and receiving the line of credit, seconded by Councilman Jeffers. Roll call vote: Councilman Adrian yes, Councilman Rizzo yes, Supervisor Gray yes, Councilman Jeffers yes, Councilman Gagliardi absent, carried. The third one is the Storm Water Control Facility Maintenance Agreement. Matt Napierala is present to explain this. Matt Napierala explains this to the board. It is required by the state, SWPPP, the developer is responsible for the maintenance of this. Kris LaPointe asks who is responsible for the maintenance of the retention ponds? The Cornerstone Group is responsible for the

WHEREAS, the Agreement sets forth in Section Q2 that continuation of the Consortium under the terms and conditions of the Agreement, or any amendments or restatements thereto, shall be subject to Board review and upon acceptance of any new Participant hereafter, and

WHEREAS, by motion 001-2021 the Consortium's Board of Directors recommends approval of the 2022 Amended Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Cooperative Agreement requires that amendments to the agreement be presented to each participant for review and adopted by its municipal board,

WHEREAS, the Town of Sennett (municipality) is in receipt of the proposed amended Agreement and has determined that it is in the best interest of its constituents who are served by the Consortium to amend the Agreement as set forth in the attached 2022 Amended Municipal Cooperative Agreement, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Sennett (municipality) approves and authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to sign the 2022 Amendment to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement of the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium, and

RESOLVED, further, that the Clerk of the Town of Sennett (municipality) is hereby authorized to execute this Resolution to indicate its approval, transmit a copy thereof to the Board of Directors of the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium, and take any other such actions as may be required by law. Councilman Jeffers make a motion to approve the above resolution, seconded by Councilman Rizzo. Roll call vote: Councilman Adrian yes, Councilman Rizzo yes, Supervisor Gray yes, Councilman Jeffers yes, Councilman Gagliardi absent, carried.

Water Maintenance Hiring Update: Richard Gagliardi and Ed Rizzo will be on the Committee to interview the applicants with Kristopher and Kris LaPointe (because he will help out with the highway department also). Kristopher will coordinate the times for the interviews.

Street Light update: Councilman Adrian goes over the information. Councilman Jeffers asks if the total number of the lights in the town include the two districts? Yes it does. The numbers that the board has does not include everything involved with the change. Supervisor Gray will contact NYSEDA in the morning and get all the updated figurers.

Councilman Jeffers moves to reopen the Public to be Heard, seconded by Councilman Adrian, 4 ayes, 1 absent, carried. Councilman Jeffers moves to close the Public to be Heard, seconded by Councilman Adrian, 4 ayes, 1 absent, carried.

Supervisor Gray moves to pay the abstract in the amount of \$267,230.62 (all vouchers with three signatures), seconded by Councilman Rizzo, Roll call vote: Councilman Adrian yes, Councilman Rizzo yes, Supervisor Gray yes, Councilman Jeffers yes, Councilman Gagliardi absent, carried. Kris LaPointe asks the board if they have any questions on any of the bills that he submitted? We just got a bill today for the new meters that the city had installed. Councilman Jeffers moves to pay the bill out of the appropriate district the bill of \$62,950.28, seconded by Supervisor Gray. Roll call vote: Councilman Adrian yes, Councilman Rizzo yes, Supervisor Gray yes, Councilman Jeffers yes, Councilman Gagliardi absent, carried.

The meeting is adjourned by the Supervisor.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Penelope Dennis*, Town Clerk  
Town of Sennett