

## TOWN OF DEPOSIT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Town of Deposit held their regular Town Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 5:00pm. Councilmen present- Carl Clark, William Morley, Lonny Schaefer, and Robert Mills. Town Supervisor-Thomas Axtell, Highway Superintendent- Ryan Tiffany, Bookkeeper-Rebecca Walley, Code Enforcement Officer-Peter Hathaway, Town Clerk-Beverly Hartz, and Deputy Town Clerk-Elizabeth Polomcean.

1.1 Public Participation- None

2.0- Minutes and Reports

2.1 The Town Board Meeting minutes from November 14, 2023 were reviewed. Councilman Morley made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.2 The Payment of Bills was reviewed. The bills that were paid in General Fund 308-337. Highway Fund- Item #1-57-60, Item #3-100-107, Item #4-34-36. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the payment of bills. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried.

2.3 The Financial Report- Bookkeeper Walley explained that the obligated revenues on the fund balance, this is that the State has committed to paying the amount listed. Bookkeeper Walley stated that we will get the CHIPS portion of that amount before the end of the year, but the other three projects required cancelled checks were not received in time to submit before the end of the year but we will receive the amount before the close of their fiscal year. Superintendent Tiffany stated that this will not affect the amount we receive for the 2024 year. Councilman Clark made the motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilman Schaefer Seconded. Motion carried.

2.4 The Highway Department –Highway Superintendent Tiffany stated that repairs were done to Roods Creek Road to stabilize the slope failure with heavy rock, work was done by Schaefer Enterprises. The Highway Department assisted the Town of Tompkins with hauling sand for their winter stockpile. More ditch cleaning was done on portions of Colombia Lake Road. Low branches were trimmed back and chipped along roadsides. Multiple trucks had maintenance preformed; Tuck #15 had “U” joints replaced in the front axle, Truck #7 had the snowplow cutting edge and shoes replaced along with power steering hose, Truck #12’s hydraulic hoses on the speeder were repaired, Truck #4’s snowplow headlight

wiring harness was replaced. Stone was delivered and stockpiled in preparation for cold mix asphalt to be made in the 2024 season. Shop cleaning and building maintenance was performed in between all the other projects. Roads have been treated a few times due to wintery mix and icy road conditions although there has not been much snow accumulation so far this winter season. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Highway report. Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

2.5 No Health Officer report currently.

2.6 Code Enforcement Officer Report- CEO Hathaway stated that there was one new building permit issued for a new home on Roods Creek Road. There was an inspection for framing on Latham Road. The building permits that were in question were found regarding the complaint on Silver Lake Spur and a letter was sent to the complainant and this issue is considered closed. A letter was sent to the owner on Neale Rd. about vehicles and the owner stated that this will be taken care of. The owner has already started cleaning up the area. CEO Hathaway stated that he had a meeting with an engineer on Deer Run about flood way and a new home. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Code Officer Report. Councilman Clark seconded. Motion carried.

2.7 Planning Board Meeting Report- Town Clerk Hartz stated that at the last meeting the Planning board had finalized the revisions and it was almost completed for the Board to review. Town Clerk Hartz stated that the next meeting is this coming Thursday. Councilman Clark made the motion to accept the Planning Board report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.8 The Dog Control Officer Report-The DCO report stated that there were two calls for this past month. One was for a dog at large with no dog found. The second was for a dangerous dog and the dog could not be caught. The DCO report included the annual Ag & Markets inspection, this included that the catch pole needed to be replaced and the cost was split between the Town of Deposit and the Town of Sanford. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Dog Control Officer report. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried.

2.9 Town Clerk Report was reviewed. Town Clerk Hartz stated that at the last Tax Collector meeting it was recommended to buy a bill counter, this is because there are more counterfeit bills out there and these catch them while the person is at the window paying in cash instead of when the bills are deposited. If they are not caught prior to getting to the bank, Town is out that amount of money.

Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Town Clerk report. Councilman Clark seconded. Motion carried.

3.0- Old Business-

3.1- Approve new 3-year Union contract. (2024-2026)-Supervisor Axtell stated that this new contract does not have the health insurance rates for the third year but the Town Lawyer was comfortable with the existing contract. Councilman Clark made a motion to approve the new 3-year Union Contract. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried

4.0- New Business-

4.1- The Board needs to formally acknowledge that Rebecca Walley was elected to be Supervisor of the Town of Deposit effective January 1, 2024- Town Clerk Hartz stated this is so the Town NBT bank accounts can be updated. Councilman Schaefer made a motion to acknowledge that Rebecca Walley was elected to be Supervisor of the Town of Deposit effective January 1, 2024. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried

5.0 Informational Items-

5.1- Bookkeeper Walley thanked Supervisor Axtell for his 16 years of service and stated that he will be missed. Supervisor Axtell thanked everyone for helping him through the past 16 years. He has enjoyed working with the Town Board, Highway Superintendent, Bookkeeper, and Town Clerks. He is also, thankful for the volunteers who have served on the Town of Deposit committees such as, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Board of Assessment Review etc.

Councilman Clark made a motion to adjourn meeting at 5:23. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 5:00pm

Beverly Hartz  
Town Clerk