

TOWN OF DEPOSIT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Town of Deposit held their regular Town Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 5:00pm. Councilmen present- William Morley, Robert Mills, and Ammon Bush. Town Supervisor-Rebecca Walley, Highway Superintendent- Ryan Tiffany, Code Enforcement Officer-Peter Hathaway, and Deputy Town Clerk- Elizabeth Polomcean. Absent- Councilman Lonny Schaefer and Town Clerk Beverly Hartz.

Public Hearing: Local Law #2 Terminating Solar Project Moratorium- The Public Hearing was open for public discussion at 5:00 pm. No one came to speak about terminating the Solar Project moratorium. Public Hearing was closed at 5:05 pm.

1.1 Public Participation- none

2.0- Minutes and Reports

2.1 The Town Board Meeting minutes from February 13, 2024 were reviewed. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried.

The Highway Committee meeting minutes from February 20, 2024 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 #77-102. Highway Fund- Item #I, 4-5 Item #III-17-25, Item #IV-10-17. Councilman Mills questioned the bill from the lawyer about the gate at Easy Street Road Maintenance Association issue. Code Enforcement Officer Hathaway stated that the issue is currently going to court. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the payment of bills. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried.

2.3 The Financial Report- Supervisor Walley stated that when she was doing the end of year report she noticed a couple mistakes. She stated that she noticed May and June's numbers were the same so she corrected it. Supervisor Walley also stated that the previous version had an estimate for the end of year but now they are the actual amount. Councilman Morley made the motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilman Bush Seconded. Motion carried.

2.4 The Highway Department –Highway Superintendent Tiffany stated that tree trimming was performed on Silver Lake Road, Secrest Road, Schofield Road, and County Highways 20 and 48. Road salt and grit were ordered and added to the current stockpiles. The roads were plowed and treated on the days necessary from

winter weather conditions. Potholes were filled on the above average high temperature days. Maintenance and cleaning were done on the buildings and equipment on all the days that no road work was performed. The entire crew attended the CEP Master Class offered by UDIG-NY for the annual excavator re-certification, this was done with the Village of Deposit DPW and Town of Sanford Highway crews. Superintendent Tiffany attended a tour of Suit-Kote's lab facility in Cortland to gain education on the products they produce for our applications.

Councilman Bush made a motion to accept the Highway report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.5 Code Enforcement Officer Report- CEO Hathaway stated that there were no building permits issued and only one code search done. CEO Hathaway stated that it was a slow month. Councilman Mills asked if CEO Hathaway's training was completed for the year. CEO Hathaway stated that he is still doing some classes. Supervisor Walley stated that she was wondering who pays for the training? CEO Hathaway stated that some are through an association he belongs to and some are paid for by the state. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report. Councilman Morley seconded. Motion carried.

2.6 Planning Board Meeting Report- none

2.7 The Dog Control Officer Report- There were 5 dog calls this past month. They were for a threatened attack, a dangerous dog, a dog surrendered, a dog at large, and an animal cruelty. Supervisor Walley stated that she didn't know if tickets were issued for the animal cruelty call but she is going to look into it. Councilman Bush made a motion to accept the Dog Control Officer's report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.8 Town Clerk Report was reviewed. Deputy Town Clerk Polomcean stated that there were a couple certified births, a few death certificates issued, and 1 marriage license for this past month. She stated that taxes are still coming in. Councilman Morley made a motion to accept the Town Clerk report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

3.0- Old Business

3.1- Approve Resolution #5 of 2024 Local Law #2 Terminating Moratorium- Supervisor Walley read the resolution. Councilman Mills made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Morley seconded. Roll was called, 4 aye, 0 nay. Resolution carried.

3.2- Bids for Cameras in the parking lots- Supervisor Walley stated that Town Clerk Hartz received 2 bids for the cameras. The one from Computer Emergency

Room is the lower one and has 3 cameras so there is no area of the parking lot that is not covered. Councilman Morley made a motion to accept the bid from Computer Emergency Room. Councilman Bush seconded. Motion carried.

3.3- Appoint Councilman Ammon Bush to Building Committee, Insurance Committee, and Fire & Ambulance Committee- Supervisor Walley stated that it was investigated and those were the Committees that Carl Clark was on previously. Councilman Bush agreed to join those committees.

3.4-Resignation of Ammon Bush from Board of Appeals Committee- Supervisor Walley stated that now that he is on the Town Board Councilman Bush can no longer be on the Board of Appeals Committee. Councilman Bush asked if something in writing was needed or if he can just say he resigns? Supervisor Walley stated she needs something in writing. Councilman Bush said he will get that to her.

3.5- Possible appointment of 5th Board of Assessment Committee member- Supervisor Walley stated that they do have 4 people current on the committee but she would like a 5th so that way if something happens there are plenty of people on the committee. Supervisor Walley stated that as of right now everyone she has asked has said if you do not find anyone else they would be willing to do it.

3.6- Pick a date and time to complete Justice Court Audit- Supervisor Walley stated that Tuesdays or Wednesdays work best for her. Councilman Morley stated that next Wednesday would work for him. It was decided to have the meeting for the audit on Wednesday, March 20th, at 4pm.

3.7- Approve purchase of Western State single axel truck with Tenneco plow for delivery in 2026- The board made a resolution to approve the purchase of a Western Star single axle truck with Tenco plow for a total price of \$301,728. This is an increase of \$3404 over the fall of 2023 estimate because of the increase in steel costs. Councilmen Bush, Mills, and Morley (Councilman Schaefer absent) and Supervisor all voted yes for the purchase with a planned delivery in 2026..

Supervisor Walley stated that she is looking into having a reserve fund for the purchase of the truck. She is looking into NYCLASS and NBT rates to see which one has a better rate. She will have an update by the next board meeting.

3.8- Updates for the sign out in front of building- Councilman Mills stated that he has no update as of yet.

4.0- New Business-

4.1- Approve revised Sexual Harassment & Discrimination Policy Manual (NYMIR made changes)- Councilman Morley made a motion to approve the changes Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

4.2 Updates and concerns Revolutionary War Cemetery (volunteers)- Supervisor Walley stated that she was contacted by someone who wanted to repair his step-grandfather's grave and clean the other tombstones in the cemetery. She stated that the individual said they would like to use D/2 to clean the graves. Supervisor Walley stated that she investigated it and D/2 is safe to use around plants and will no harm the tombstones. The Board has no problem with this person using the D/2 and fixing his step-grandfather's grave.

4.3 Broome County Humane Society passed their annual shelter inspection-

4.4 Millenium Pipeline Pilot ends January 2024

4.5 Judges making change to Court Hours. (Need approval to change hours on door from 5-7pm to 3-6pm) Board approved the door sign change.

5.0-Informational Items-

5.1- The Town received a thank you letter from the American Legion for the donation.

5.2- A representative from Congressman Molinaro's office contacted Supervisor Walley about hosting mobile office hours on March 27th from 10-12. Supervisor Walley approved the use of the Town office for their gathering.

5.3- Presidential Primary- Tuesday April 2, 2024

Councilman Mills made a motion to adjourn meeting at 6:04pm. Councilman Bush seconded. Motion carried.

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

Elizabeth Polomcean

Deputy Town Clerk