

TOWN OF DEPOSIT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Town of Deposit held their regular Town Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 5:00pm. Councilmen present- William Morley, Robert Mills, Ammon Bush and Lonny Schaefer. Town Supervisor-Rebecca Walley, Highway Superintendent- Ryan Tiffany, 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 March 12, 2024 were reviewed. Councilman Bush 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 #103-134. Highway Fund- Item #I, 6 Item #III-26-36, Item #IV-20-22. Councilman Mills questioned the cost for a flag from the Flag Store. Hwy Supt. Tiffany stated the cost for a new flag at the Hwy garage. Councilman Bush questioned a bill from the Attorney concerning the NYSEG contract. Supervisor Walley stated the other attorney listed was the NYSEG Attorney. Councilman Mills made a motion to accept the payment of bills. Councilman Bush seconded. Motion carried.

2.3 The Financial Report- Supervisor Walley gave the financial report. Councilman Schaefer made the motion to accept the Financial Report. Councilman Mills Seconded. Motion carried.

2.4 The Highway Department –Highway Superintendent Tiffany stated that tree trimming and brush cutting was performed on McCabe Hollow Road. Seasonal roads were patrolled to check conditions before they could be open for traffic again starting 4/1/2024. Road sweeping was performed town wide to start cleaning off grit and sand that was applied during the winter months. Spring cleaning began in both garages by the crew.

The crew attended the Hard Hat expo at the NYS Fairgrounds to observe new equipment and technologies that we use regularly. The crew also attended the yearly refresher for OSHA, NYS Harassment and Discrimination training and had their hearing tests.

Tires were purchased for installation on Truck #13 and truck #3 had a custom-built sign base holder from Steel Sales which was installed by the crew.

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

2.5 Code Enforcement Officer Report- CEO Hathaway stated he had 2 building permits issued, one for Silver Lake Spur for a gazebo and the other was for a demolition of a house on Airport Road. He did one framing inspection and met with a contractor on building a home on Trout Run. He, also, took an online coding class. Councilman Morley made a motion to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.6 Planning Board Meeting Report- TC Hartz stated the Board approved a Boundary Line adjustment on the Maus Property on Roods Creek Road. The Boundary line adjustment on County Highway 19 was not approved because based on what the owner presented the property would be land locked. Councilman Schaefer made a motion to accept the Planning Board report. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

2.7 The Dog Control Officer Report- There were 2 dog calls this past month. Both were stray dogs and were taken to the shelter. Councilman Bush made a motion to accept the Dog Control Officer's report. Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

2.8 Town Clerk Report was reviewed. TC Hartz stated that there were a couple death certificates issued and a genealogy search completed. She stated that taxes are still coming in and the Town is at 89% collection rate at this point. We have until 4/30/2024 for taxes to be paid to the Town. After that they go back to the County.

Councilman Morley made a motion to accept the Town Clerk report. Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

3.0- Old Business

3.1- Approve Resolution #6 of 2024 Standard Workday for NYS Retirement System Supervisor Walley read the resolution. Councilman Bush made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Morley seconded. Resolution carried.

3.2- Approve Resolution #7- Justice Court Audit-Supervisor Walley read the Resolution- Councilman Morley made a motion to accept Resolution # 7 Justice court Audit. Councilman Bush seconded. Motion carried.

3.3- Appoint Deborah Stever to Board of Appeals Committee for a 5 yr. term. A motion was made by Councilman Morley to accept Ms. Stever to be on the Board of Appeals Committee for a 5 yr. term. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

3.4-Update investment of monies in NBT to include Intrafi (NBT matched NY Class interest and liquidity of monies) This includes a new checking account for movement of monies. Councilman Mills accepted and Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

3.5- Update on animal cruelty case- A Policy was recommended that the only animals that can be surrendered to the Dog Control Officer are those ordered by law enforcement. A motion was made by Councilman Mills and seconded by Councilman Bush. Motion carried.

3.6- Pick a date and time for Highway Committee meeting. It was decided to have the meeting on Wednesday, April 17 @ 10:00am.

3.7- Deposit Lawn Care Services mowing cemeteries- Board approved Deposit Lawn Care Services to mow the cemeteries again this. The price did not increase so the Town will keep the same schedule as last year. A motion was made by Councilman Bush and seconded by Councilman Schaefer. Motion carried.

4.0- New Business-

4.1-Approve use of Positive Pay offered by NBT at no extra cost if the Town uses their Intrafi (Check Fraud protection) A motion was made by Councilman Bush to approve the use of Positive Pay by NBT. Councilman Schaefer seconded. Motion carried.

4.2-Approve the purchase of a laptop for Supervisor to be used only for online banking (may need to purchase additional firewalls) This laptop would be the **ONLY** computer used for online banking and **ONLY** used for online banking (no other online activities). This is being tabled until the Supervisor can check with the County to see what they have to offer for the purchase of this.

4.3-Rescind the policy of no online banking and approve policy of online banking for Supervisor only. After some discussion a motion was made by Councilman Bush and seconded by Councilman Schaefer to rescind the no online banking and approve online banking for Supervisor.

5.0-Informational Items-

5.1- Road Closures: The Dug Rd Bridge, West Bound entrance to Rt17, lane closures Rt8 Bridge- Supervisor Walley stated that the Dug Rd bridge will be closed from about mid-May until sometime next year while they make repairs. She stated that she was sure it has been noticed that the ramp to West Bound side of 17 has been closed. Supervisor Walley stated that she saw that the gas line that was going over the Rt8 bridge wasn't there anymore. Superintendent Tiffany stated that

NYSE&G contacted him that they were able to get the pipe that was running under the river working again.

5.2 Resident in Hale Eddy has expressed concerns of noise from jake brakes on Rte 17

Councilman Mills made a motion to adjourn open meeting at 6:08pm and go into executive session. Councilman Bush seconded. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Schaefer to close executive session at 6:30 pm and seconded by Councilman Bush.

A motion was made by Councilman Schaefer to adjourn open meeting at 6:31pm. Councilman Mills seconded. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 5:00pm

Beverly Hartz
Town Clerk