

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF RICHLAND
1 BRIDGE STREET, PULASKI, NY

DATE: Tuesday, October 12, 2021

KIND OF MEETING: Town Board Meeting

PLACE: Grand Jury Room, H. Douglas Barclay Courthouse Pulaski, NY

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Dan Krupke
Councilman Kern Yerdon
Councilman Allen Goodsell
Councilwoman Sue Haynes
Councilwoman Donna Gilson

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Legislators Herb Yerdon and Ed Gilson, Attorney Graham Seiter, CEO/ZEO John Howland, John Fox, Julie Peterson, and Dr. Peter Cuff

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Supervisor Krupke leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Legislator Yerdon informed the board that the last rabies clinic of 2021 is going to be held on October 20th at the Scriba DPW in Oswego. Mr. Yerdon presented updated COVID numbers for Oswego County, there is an upcoming orientation meeting for future foster and adoptive parents, and there will be a trunk or treat at Oswego Speedway on October 30th from 12-4 pm. On December 5th at the American Foundry, they will be holding a Tunes for Tots. Legislator Gilson informed the board about an upcoming resolution to put in place a Public Defenders Office in hopes to cut down the delays with assigned counsel meeting with defendants. The Oswego County Legislature is also proposing a resolution to oppose the vaccine mandate for Oswego County.

ZONING & CODES: The town received a check for the litigation fees from Bakula. They have not received their permit yet as they are purchasing land from the neighboring property owner, so the building does not have to be moved. The owner of Bear Sleepy Hollow said he will have things done by the end of the month; his contractor had a few deaths in the family. The property on 2A everything is gone. John presented the board with photos of the Morris estate

property on County Route 2. He is having issues speaking with the people, we have given them more time and it is still not completed. John is unsure how the board wishes to proceed and if the attorney should send another letter. Attorney Seiter will send a letter to the estate. Councilwoman Haynes inquired about a property on Lehigh Rd. John states that they have a permit for the shed but the truck that delivered it got stuck up to the axle and had to drop it where it sits. It does need to be moved and cannot stay that close to the road. There will be a public hearing for the Atkinson solar farm this month as there were a few amendments made, also for the mini mart at the old Trust Nursery location.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING BOARD: Supervisor Krupke asked what the \$2,000 was for that is being requested. Councilwoman Gilson believes it is for the work that is being performed by Amanda Mazzoni from the Regional Planning and Development Board for the Climate Action Plan. The board is looking for clarification of what the funds are for and more information before proceeding with a decision. A copy of the updated zoning recommendations from Attorney Pavia was given to the board to review. Councilman Yerdon recommends that this is given to the Planning and Zoning Boards to look at and to submit feedback.

HIGHWAY REPORT: The highway department turned in some scrap metal and received a little over \$500. John contacted the roofing company; the stuff is ordered and when they come, they will be putting in the insulation and fixing the vent on the lower building. He sold the Walter's snowplow and 2 v-plows on Auctions International, we received just shy of \$7,000 for the truck and \$150-300 for each of the plows. Sand pile is done. They are still up at the pit screening, which is almost done, within the next few weeks there will be enough sand ready for next year. Two plows are ready to go for this year. He is going to have Millie put an ad in the paper for help. The County put the no parking signs on County Route 2A that were requested.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Kern has a meeting to discuss the hydrants at the Barclay property on State Route 13. There are currently two hydrants there, one is ours and one belongs to the Village. The 14" pipe will be delivered to the Town Barn. An e-mail received from Barton & Loguidice states that they are unsure if the tapping sleeve for the 14" transit main will be covered under the project. The purpose of adding a hydrant would be to finish locating the main, where its location is unknown, if it were to be encountered when County Route 48 is finished. Malone does not have the capabilities of tapping an asbestos pipe, so that would be done outside of the contract. If WD Malone were to find the pipe, a hydrant could be added during the repair process, but the 14" tapping sleeve would not be used for this, they could cut the hydrant into the ductile iron pipe they would use for the repair. This will be researched further as we proceed. After a discussion with Malone and Hafner, all parties have agreed to resolve the issue with the valve on State Route 3 near the golf course it will be moved, to the edge of the property line, where it should be. This will allow us to access it when needed as opposed to having to obtain a right of way.

RICHLAND TOWN PARKS: There has been a complete inspection on things, and everything looks good. Sova's have been contacted to address an issue with a few toilets at the Haldane. They are a special toilet that the highway department is not familiar with. The latch on the overhead door has been broken, so they had to order a whole new lock. They are looking into the issue with the ceiling and the vent on the addition at the Haldane. The ceiling has 10" of blown insulation. The furnace and duct work are in the attic. They may move it all down to the lower space to eliminate the heat near the roof, which is causing the ice buildup. Alycia and Julie are going to arrange a meeting with Kristy Lamanche to discuss how the grant was submitted and how to proceed with the playground. Supervisor Krupke spoke with Kristy, and we should know by mid-December if we were awarded the CFA grant. He also spoke with Bonadio regarding the ARPA funds. We can use that money for the matching portion of the grant. This will all be decided later, once we know the outcome of the application. Supervisor Fox reached out to Gary White, who made the train at the Richland Park. The train is in very rough shape, Mr. White does not want it back. The highway department will be removing it from the playground in the Spring.

DOG REPORT: The September dog report was given to the board to review.

SUPERVISOR REPORT: *A motion was made by Councilman Goodsell and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes to accept the September Supervisor report as presented. In a roll call vote, all members were in favor with a vote of "AYE."*

JUSTICE REPORT: No report

WARRANT OF BILLS: *A motion was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes to accept abstract #10 of 2021. In a roll call vote, all members were in favor with a vote of "AYE."*

TOWN BOARD MINUTES: *A motion was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilman Goodsell to accept the Town Board minutes as presented for September 14th, September 22nd, September 23rd, and October 5th. In a roll call vote, all members were in favor with a vote of "AYE."*

TOWN CLERK REPORT: *A motion was made by Councilwoman Gilson and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes to accept the September Town Clerk Report. In a roll call vote, all members were in favor with a vote of "AYE."*

CEMETERY: No report

TOWN HISTORIAN REPORT: No report

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: *A motion was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes to enter an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Village of Pulaski for a pusher. In a roll call vote, all members were in favor with a vote of "AYE." A motion was made by Councilwoman Gilson and seconded by Councilman Goodsell to expend \$200 to donate for candy for the Trunk or Treat event at Dunbar Field. In a roll call vote, all members were in favor with a vote of "AYE."* Supervisor Krupke informed the board that the town is under the tax cap, enough that we could add an additional \$30,000 to the budget before we went over. His recommendation is to put \$20,000 into equipment and reserves to add toward the cost of a new/newer bulldozer. There still has not been a decision about wages and salaries. This does not have to be approved tonight, a decision needs to be made prior to budget finalization on November 9th. *A motion was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes to enter Executive Session to discuss the wages and salaries at 7:20 p.m. All were in favor with a vote of "AYE."* It was agreed to start the new timesheets the next pay period. *A motion was made by Councilman Yerdon and seconded by Councilman Goodsell to exit Executive Session at 7:53 p.m. All were in favor with a vote of "AYE."*

NEXT TOWN BOARD MEETING: There will be a meeting on Monday, October 18th at 9 a.m. to discuss the Healthcare Program the town will be proposing to the Teamsters. There will be a meeting with the teamsters on October 20th at 9 a.m. The board will be meeting for the budget on October 26th at 10 a.m. with a Teamsters meeting to follow. The next regular Town Board meeting will be held on November 9, 2021 @ 6 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED: *A motion was made by Councilwoman Gilson and seconded by Councilwoman Haynes to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. All members were in favor with a vote of "AYE."*

Respectfully submitted by
Julie Peterson
Deputy Town Clerk