

Regular Meeting

A regular meeting of the Waddington Town Board was held on Monday, June 10, 2019 @ 7PM in the Municipal Building.

Present were: Supervisor Alex Hammond and Councilmembers: Travis McKnight, Scott Loomis, and Shaun Prentice.

Also Present: Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk, David Putney, Highway Superintendent, Tony McManaman, Code Enforcement Officer, Bill Tiernan, David & Stephanie McBath, Carl Finnie, Elaine Stasko, Matt O'Bryan, Craig Bogart, Tom Snider, Kevin Kitzman, Mark Scott, Ryan Hayes, Darrell Clookey, Patty VanPatten, and Matt Rose.

Call to order: Supv Hammond called the meeting to order @ 7:05PM.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Prentice, seconded by Loomis to approve the minutes as submitted. Ayes: All

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Citizen's Comments:

Darrell Clookey addressed the board about complaints that had been filed against a property in Chase Mills. He stated that there were 5 complaints turned in and he would like to know their status. Carl Finnie also spoke on the blighted property in Chase Mills. He stated that the property values of their homes goes down due to the mess across the street.

Tony McManaman told them that he has had them in court on at least two separate occasions but the local law doesn't have the power it needs to follow through completely. This time he is going straight to Supreme Court. A letter will be sent to them stating that they have so many days to clean it up. If this is not done he will turn it over to the Town Attorney who will file the paperwork to go to Supreme Court. Once it goes to Supreme Court they will hand down a court order to clean up. If that is not completed as ordered the Town can go in and clean it up and put it on their tax bill. He told them to be patient he is starting the process. Mr. Clookey also stated that they are burning garbage at night. Tony told him he would have to call the DEC for this violation.

Darrell Clookey stated that he feels that the Town is missing an opportunity if they don't purchase the golf course. He stated that he has talked with someone who has put an offer in on it. There are other municipal golf courses in the area. The town could contract the work out they wouldn't have to hire employees to run it.

Patty VanPatten stated that the traxis rods for the stage curtains are in tact at the old elementary school. Karen Thew said that she would have her husband and son take them down for us because the stage area of the old school is in very bad shape. Patty stated that everything we will need to hang the curtains obtained from the high school is there.

Public Hearing: Local Law # 1 of the year 2019.

Supv Hammond reported that Local Law #1 of the year 2019 was to put a moratorium on any development of solar energy systems greater than 1 Megawatt. He opened the public comment period. A question was asked if the Town was not going to allow solar projects at all. It was stated that this moratorium is just a pause period until the Town can get regulations on the books as to how to handle these big projects. A lot of times a company will come in and once the panels are no longer useful the company will just leave without any consequences. Currently the Planning Board is working on a local law that would regulate this to protect the Town of Waddington. The public hearing was closed @ 7:25PM.

Resolution #36

Motioned by: Prentice

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby pass local law #1 of the year 2019 entitled " A local law for a moratorium on all solar energy system development".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does further determine for SEQR purposes that there is no environmental impact whatsoever with the passage of this Local Law.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Hammond:	Aye	Councilor Loomis:	Aye
Councilor McKnight:	Aye	Councilor Prentice:	Aye

Old Town Hall: Tony McManaman told the board that the left side and center of the staircase at the old town hall is missing concrete and the railing on the right side needs to be pinned to the concrete. He stated that the whole staircase will need to be closed off until the board can get someone to fix the railing. Once that is done we can use the right side of the stairs for entrance to the upstairs of the old town hall.

He told the board that when he met with Bertrand's Construction to find the leak in the roof you can see that on the 37 side of the building near the dormer the flashing has been installed backwards. The flashing should be over top of the materials. It is under and the silicone caulking is no longer holding. The ridge cap is also loose. An estimate was received by Bertrand's Construction in the amount of \$2250 to do the job. Bertrand's also noted that if they don't happen to get the leak completely at first they will come back to make sure it is fixed correctly.

Resolution #37

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby accept the bid from Bertrand's Construction in the amount of \$2,250 to repair the roof at the old town hall. This contract will consist of the following work: 1) Use 60' aerial lift to access problem areas of roof (rear dormer, tower, front dormer) 2) Disassemble roof panels, flashing and removal all unnecessary silicone from previous repairs. #) Install new aluminum flashing where needed at specified problem areas. 4) Tighten down ridge-cap that is pulling loose in some areas. 5) Re-seal and screw any flashing and trim pieces that were previously removed. Ayes: All

The board discussed asking Bertrand's to pin the railing to the concrete while they are here.

The clerk will check. The front steps were discussed further. The board has requested that we contact Ken Hargrave to see if he can give us an estimate for repairs. He has done work on the steps prior.

A quote was received from Craig Debien to hardwire the fans. The total quote was for \$5,130.

The board discussed that the quote was over the \$5,000 bid limit. Councilor McKnight noted that Craig has done all the electrical in the old town hall and is familiar with the building.

Further discussion ensued.

Resolution #38

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby authorize Craig Debien to install fan speed controls in the old town hall provided that the quote is under \$5,000.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Hammond:	Aye	Councilor Loomis:	Aye
Councilor McKnight:	Aye	Councilor Prentice:	Naye

Committee Reports:

Recreation: The clerk reported that the reading program will be July 1st – July 25th. The beach and morning recreation program will be July 8th – August 16th. Jack Thrasher reported that there is a dead tree at the top of the hill. The clerk contacted the Power Authority and was told that there was someone in town who would check and let her know.

The board asked Supt Putney about the pontoon boat. Do we still use it? Supt Putney stated that it is no longer used. The board discussed declaring it surplus and removing it from the beach.

Resolution #39

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby declare the pontoon boat surplus and will sell on Auctions International. Ayes: All

A list of surplus items will be written and discussed at next months meeting.

Rescue Squad: C Prentice reported that the Rescue Squad meeting was being held this evening. They had 14 calls/transport. They are voting on one new member and one junior member. They are forming a committee to look into the purchase of a new ambulance.

Library: C Loomis reported that the Library meeting was held on Tuesday evening. They are talking about their 100th anniversary celebration. It will be held throughout the summer. They will be hosting a Narcan training class on June 26th. They have requested to turn on the hot water heaters and turn off the boiler. 770 people used the library and 146 used the computers.

Campground: C McKnight reported that Supt Putney had discovered that there is primary power buried at the St Lawrence Boathouse. The line voltage is 76/20.

Cemeteries: C McKnight reported that he had done some measuring for the driveways at New Brookside Cemetery. The driveway is 1078 linear feet. You enter the cemetery and loop around to go out. The crown will be stripped, fabric installed, 4" of 2" crusher run and 2" of fine crusher run on top. It will require 400 tons of crushed stone @ \$8.00 per ton+ 2-3 rolls of road fabric. Total materials approximately \$4,000. We would hire the work just like we did in Old Brookside.

Resolution #40

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board will put the driveway project in New Brookside out to bid. The Town will provide all materials.

Ayes: All

It was reported that there are numerous complaints about the mowing and trimming at the cemeteries. Supt Putney spoke with the person in charge approximately 3 weeks ago and discussed what needed to be done. Supv Hammond also called her and spoke with her about the job performance. It appears that the conversations have not helped the situation. The board further discussed and decided to terminate the contract. According to the contract either party may cancel the contract with 30 days written notice. 30 days will bring it to the next board meeting at which time the board will entertain new bids for the remainder of the season.

Resolution #41

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Prentice

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to terminate the mowing contract between the Town of Waddington and Jamie Bromley, River Run Lawn Care due to unsatisfactory performance. Ayes: All

Highway: The beach has been opened up. The guys have mowed twice and trimmed. They had to change a water hydrant at the cottage. They are waiting on the new hydrant at the beach pavilion. A new one has been ordered. The lookout has been mowed, put docks in with the village, hauled sludge for the Village, fixed potholes on the road. They attended an MSHA training in Canton. The annual safety training and sexual harassment training has been completed in Madrid. They have dug three cremations and started road side mowing. Supt Putney reported that the Town didn't win the bid for the grader on Auctions International. It went higher than the cap allowed. He reported that there is currently a 2010 Mack dump/snowplow w/87,583 miles. He has spoken to the Superintendent and was told that he is on a seven year rotation so this one is up. He also spoke with Beam Mack about the truck and was told it was well maintained. The auction ends tomorrow. It is currently sitting @ \$31,100. The Board discussed the truck and it was decided that they would allow the Supt to bid up to

60,000. They also discussed where the money would be taken from for the purchase if two should win the bid. The board also asked the Highway Supt to get information to lease new truck.

Resolution #42

Motioned by: Loomis

Seconded by: McKnight

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby authorize the Highway Superintendent to bid on a 2010 Mack dump/snowplow on Auctions International with a max bid of \$60,000. Ayes: All

Agreement to spend Highway Funds:

Resolution #43

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby agree to spend \$174,276.73 for general repairs on 41.82 miles of town roads. Ayes: All

NYPA Lighting Project: The lighting project is currently underway. They have started in the town barns and will continue with the Offices, Rescue Squad, Old Town Hall, and Library.

Gallery at Lake St Lawrence Arts: Mark reported that the classes are going good at the gallery. There will be an arts grant workshop on July 2nd @ 6PM. The visitors center at Clarke House is open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The 1st concert in the series will be on June 21st.

Golf Course Committee: Matt Rose reported that the committee is working on a business plan, impact study, and budget. He feels that this will be good for local business. There are 30 volunteers donating their time and money to maintain the golf course this year in hopes to reopen. Ryan Hayes reported that Rick Mayette has gotten permission to use the gang mowers to keep up the greens. They have received donations from the ladies group and other citizens to help with the fuel costs. They invited and encouraged the board to stop in and see the progress and work being done. They are out there on Thursdays between 4-7 to play. Mowing is also done on Saturday & Sunday. Craig Bogart reported that each person started by contributing \$100. This amounted to \$4,000 to use for fuel and supplies. With 30-40 people helping you can get a lot done. Kevin Kitzman gave the board an outline with bullets for Lease, Taxpayer Protection, Property Issue, Equity, and Risk & Insurance. Tom Snider provided the board with statistics about golf courses. The committee hopes to come back next month with some more concrete information.

Electronic banking policy: The Board discussed the electronic banking policy submitted.

Resolution # 44

Motioned by: Prentice

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby approve the electronic banking policy as submitted. (a copy will be placed in the minutes). Ayes: All

Local Government Task Force: Supv Hammond reported that there was no update on the task force. The subcommittee for tourism and economics have met and were looking at trail sketches. One was the river trail. He is going to contact the Local Government Task Force to call a meeting.

River Rd Recreational Trail: He asked if any of the board members had considered what the signage for the trail should look like. They had not.

Iroquois Dam Gate: Supv Hammond reported that the Clerk had found the documents that were submitted when the gate was requested. This includes the special use permit application, easement granted by NYPA, and minutes of discussions had. No where did it say the gate needed to be locked for NYPA to improve the road. He asked the board about their thoughts on opening the gate for the summer season and close before next mud season. There were

many concerns about the trucks ripping up the fields and dumping of trash. Residents in attendance noted that people using the area can keep an eye out for any of this happening and report it if it does. Supv Hammond stated that the people should be able to show the board that they can respect the property and if they don't the Town could close the gate once again. Further discussion ensued.

Resolution #45

Motioned by: Hammond

Seconded by: Loomis

RESOLVED, that the Waddington Town Board does hereby approve the Iroquois Dam Gate be opened for the public to enter for fishing and recreation.

Roll Call Vote:

Supv Hammond: Aye

Councilor Loomis: Aye

Councilor McKnight: Aye

Councilor Prentice: Naye

The clerk will have the keys to the gate returned.

Museum: The Board discussed combining the Village and Town museum and forming a historical society. The following resolution was presented.

Resolution #46

Motioned by: McKnight

Seconded by: Loomis

WHEREAS, the Greater Waddington community does not have a functioning "Historical Society"; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Waddington budget allows for the salary of "Village Historian"; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Waddington budget allows for contractual expenses related to "Historian"; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Waddington is currently in possession of the contents and real estate of the former Moore Museum; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the Moore Museum is in disrepair and unable to properly safeguard and preserve the historical items contained within; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Waddington employs a "Historian"; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Waddington has adequate facilities to display and safeguard the holdings of the Moore Museum;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Waddington shall employ the "Town of Waddington Historian" as the "Village Historian"; and

Approach the Town of Waddington for use of the Town Museum facilities; and

Contract with an individual or individuals for the sorting and cataloging of the former contents of the Moore Museum at the rate of \$15 per hour not to exceed 200 hours.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Historian shall coordinate the formation of the "Waddington Historical Society" with the goal of cataloging, displaying, and preserving items of historical significance to the Village and Town of Waddington. Ayes: All

NYS Sexual Harassment: New York State has made a mandate that all people that work or are appointed to any position for the Town of Waddington must participate in a sexual harassment course. The Town's class will be held on July 22nd between 6-8PM in the Municipal Building. Any Board Member, employee, or appointed person must attend the class or show the clerk proof that they have taken the course in another place of employment.

Executive Session: A motion was made @ 9:25PM by Loomis, seconded by McKnight to enter into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. A motion was made by Loomis, seconded by Prentice to return to regular session @ 9:45PM. Ayes: All

No action was taken in executive session.

Bills: A motion was made by Prentice, seconded by Loomis to pay bills # 12676- 12735 in the amount of \$92,242.17. Ayes: All

Adjournment: A motion was made Prentice, seconded by McKnight to adjourn the meeting @ 9:50 PM. Ayes: All

Respectfully submitted,

Carol A. Burns, Town Clerk

