

DECEMBER 2024 TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Reviewed and Approved January 14, 2025

The town barn meeting was held on December 10, 2024 at the town justice building.

Councilman Voght led us in the pledge of allegiance.

Supervisor Bronner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call as follows: Supervisor Bronner - present Councilman Grescheck - present

Councilman Voght - present Town Clerk Smith - present, Councilman Zaija - not present

Councilman Hubiak - present Superintendent Hajczewski - present.

Also attending the meeting: Special guest Cameron Burke, Connie and Ken Richards, Butch Woodruff, Kaye Moyer, Xenia Williams

The town clerk read the minutes from November 7, 2024 town board meeting. Supervisor Bronner asked for motion to accept minutes as read. Councilman Voght made motion to accept and Councilman Grescheck seconded. All approved.

Special guest Cameron Burke from the Cornell Cooperative Extension for Herkimer County spoke at the town board meeting regarding what they're doing for food security in Herkimer County. Herkimer County is the #1 most food insecure county in New York State of the five boroughs. They're interested in doing community service and getting education resources out into the community trying to support and lift up folks. Her primary focus is farms trying to connect their food closure to people around the area. A lot of the food is leaving the region going to New York City. They're looking at building and increasing resiliency of local food consumption. The goal is to involve our counties, municipalities, and community organizations in emergency food planning. They will be doing planning sessions in the future and would like representatives to be involved.

The meeting was opened up to the public portion at 7:20 pm. There was a request for further advance notices of meetings to be posted on the website in case people from the town are interested in attending. Supervisor Bronner advised the notice is in the section of zoning and planning on the website. Another question was asked if the town board has had any contact from Terra Gen. Supervisor Bronner advised we have never been contacted. At 7:25 pm the open portion of the meeting was closed and the regular scheduled town board meeting proceeded.

Supervisor Bronner advised trying to get a payroll discussion to have someone else to take over that part from the town's responsibility. Four other companies were approached and no response. Therefore, the question is if Supervisor Bronner gets on a payroll program now or upgrade the program on Quickbooks at the increased cost of \$1100.00. After much discussion, the town board agreed to

continue with Quickbooks and if any other opportunity arises in the future, the town board would then have that discussion. Also Supervisor Bronner advised that the town needs to get a credit card for purchases on line and he will apply for one. Supervisor also advised that T-Mobile is putting up microwave towers for the cell phones on existing cell tower on Barker Road. Notification was sent to the planning board.

The next planning board meeting for the moratorium is to be on December 23, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the town justice building. One of the topics would be the overlay district if the town board wants to do something with it. Councilman Grescheck made motion for the extension of the moratorium and Councilman Voght seconded. All approved. Therefore, there will be a public hearing on January 14, 2025 at the regular town board scheduled meeting for the extension of the moratorium.

After discussion between November town board meeting and now, the town board approved to remain with Selective Insurance. Selective agreed to on the three vehicles that we have, a 10 year plan for total replacement and an additional \$1,000,000.00 coverage under the umbrella policy.

The town board's Christmas party is to be held on December 17, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Route 80 Bowl.

The town clerk's office is being moved to the residence at 793 Wiltse Hill Road after December 20, 2024 and notice is posted on the website.

The town board reviewed the Supervisor's report. Councilman Voght made motion to approve and Councilman Hubiak seconded. All approved.

The town clerk's report for November consisting of 10 copies of a death certificate and 9 dog licenses for the amount of \$193.00 was reviewed by the town board. Councilman Hubiak made motion to approve and Councilman Grescheck seconded. All approved.

The town board reviewed the General and Highway vouchers. Councilman Grescheck made motion to pay the bills and Councilman Hubiak seconded. All approved.

The next town board meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2025. Councilman Grescheck made motion to adjourn and Councilman Hubiak seconded. All approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.