Town of German Flatts Board Meeting 66 East Main Street, Mohawk, New York 13407 April 28, 2021

Present: Peter Rovazzi, Supervisor

Scott Hendrix, Councilman John Brewer, Councilman

Penny Watkins, Councilwoman

Ozzie Sterling, Councilman Jack Fitzer, Deputy Supervisor

Rich Sweeney, Codes Compliance Officer

Karl Manne, Town Attorney

Pam Jones, Town Clerk

Absent: Andy Dutcher, Highway Superintendent

Jim Hawkins, Dog Control Officer

Public: 4 people, see separate sign in sheet.

Guess Speaker: Emma Paolino of US Light Energy, Latham, New York

Meeting call to order by Rovazzi at 5:30 pm at Town Community Center due to the Coronavirus. Pledge of Allegiance said by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Sterling to approve March 24, 2021 minutes. Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to approve the March 2021 Treasurer's report. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Brewer to approve the March 2021 Town Clerk's report for \$1,341.00. Carried.

MOTION by Watkins, Seconded by Hendrix to approve Judge Stone's March 2021 report for \$17,342.00. Brewer abstained. Carried

MOTION by Watkins, seconded by Hendrix to approve Judge Engert's March 2021 report for \$1,290.00. Brewer abstained. Carried.

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BILLS

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to pay GFIM bill for \$452.10. Carried. MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to pay bills as audited. Carried.

OTHER REPORTS

HIGHWAY - Rovazzi handed out copies to board of Agreement for the Expenditures of Highway Money, the amount of money to be set aside for primary work and general reports was left blank, board wants Dutcher to put in amount to be set aside before they sign agreement.

DOG CONTROL - Hawkins turned in his April report.

CODES - Sweeney turned in his reports. 18 permits already done this year with 3 more he is working on.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one signed up to speak.

CORRESPONDENCE

Emma Paolino from US Light Energy of Latham, New York, spoke to the board on a proposal to install and operate a 5MW Community Solar Project located at 316 Warren Road, Mohawk. Before a decision is made the Town Board will need to have more discussions, hold a public hearing and adopt a solar energy local law.

CVA Wrestling sent a letter asking for a donation. As a Town donation can not be made.

NYMIR will be conducting harassment/discrimination training ALL employees must take this training.

Laura Hailston donated an old school desk to be used in school house when completed.

OLD BUSINESS

Water meters for Manion Heights need to be replaced. Rovazzi will contact local villages to see if they will be purchasing meter soon and ask if we could order along with them to receive a cheaper price.

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MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Watkins to purchase a Sterling water softener and filter for the Community Center at a cost of \$1631.88. Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Town Board authorized putting up No Parking signs during rentals of the Community Center and/or the Gazebo, to maintain adequate parking for the rental.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Brewer to approve employment extension of Jessie Reynolds thru 4/6/2021 with no budget impact. Carried.

London Bridge - Carver Construction will be moving out at the end of the month. The YWCA who rents the other side is interested in renting the whole building. A new lease will need to be signed.

Polo Shirts - MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to have Town purchase polo shirts for board, dog control officer and codes at \$25.00 each. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Brewer to enter into Executive session for personnel reasons at 7:40pm. Carried.

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to exit Executive session at 7:51pm. Carried. No action were taken.

Rovazzi asked for permission to purchase a picnic table for Town Offices, for employees to use during the summer to eat their lunch. Board tabled this till next month.

Next meeting will be on May 26, 2021 at Community Center 5:30pm.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Brewer to adjourn meeting at 7:51pm. Carried.

Respectfully submitted

Pamela A. Jones, Town Clerk

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