

Town of German Flatts board Meeting
66 E. Main Street, Mohawk, New York 13407
August 24, 2022

Present: Peter Rovazzi, Supervisor
Jack Fitzer, Deputy Supervisor
Ozzie Sterling, Councilman
Scott Hendrix, Councilman
John Brewer, Councilman
Carmen Newtown, Highway Superintendent
Jim Hawkins, Dog Control
Rich Sweeney, Codes
Karl Manne, Town Attorney
Pam Jones, Town Clerk

Absent: Penny Watkins, Councilwoman

Public: 10 people, see separate sign-in sheet

MEETING called to order by Rovazzi at 5:30. Pledge of Allegiance said by all.

CORRESPONDENCE

SOLAR US LIGHT ENERGY - Chris Koenig of C.T. Male Associates, Zack Lissard of US Light Energy and Dwight Kanyuck of Knauf Shaw (Town's attorney for solar project) were present to discuss the solar project. Koenig requested the board set a date for a public hearing to inform the public of the project and SEQR for said project.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Brewer to hold a Public Hearing on September 28, 2022 at 5:30pm for Solar Project information and SEQR at the Town Community Center, 555 State Route 5-S, Mohawk, New York. Carried.

COMP ALLIANCE TRAINING - An in person Comp Alliance Training will be held at the Town Community Center on October 26, 2022.

OTHER REPORTS

CODES - Sweeney turned in an updated report showing 23 permit so far this year. Sweeney reported there are project being done without permits, he will send these residents letters.

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DOG CONTROL - Hawkins turn in his August report, 6 dogs in Mohawk, 3 days of ticket writing and 4 calls. 55 tickets were mailed out. Greg Foster did NOT send wording for information to be put on Town's website and facebook on feral cats.

APPROVEL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Brewer to approve the July 27, 2022 minutes. Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to approve the July 2022 Treasurer's report. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Hendrix to approve the Town Clerk's July 2022 report for \$1,006.00. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Hendrix to approve Judge Engert's July 2022 report for \$1,061.00. Brewer abstained. Carried.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Rovazzi to approve Judge Stone's July 2022 report for \$11,023.00. Brewer abstained. Carried.

BILLS

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to pay GFIM bill for \$495.00. Carried.

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to pay bills as audited. Carried.

PROPOSED INTRODUCTORY RESOLUTION OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 1, 2022 - Hendrix introduced Local Law No.1, 2022 for the purpose of modifying regulations concerning solar energy systems within the Town.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Brewer to hold a Public Hearing on September 28, 2022 at 5:45pm at the Town Community Center, 555 State Route 5-S, Mohawk on Local Law No.1, 2022. Carried.

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SEQR RESOLUTION - INTENT TO BE LEAD AGENCY -

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to approve resolution stating the Town of German Flatts intends to act as Lead Agency for purpose of SEQR and is authorized to notify Interested Agencies.

HIGHWAY

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Sterling to purchase 2 - UAttend BN6500 time clocks for the highway garage and offices. Carried.

Newtown reported highway department has paved 1.6 miles of roads to date. Second Street Bridge sidewalks and curbs have been replaced. Town and Herkimer County Highway Dept. worked together (shared services) on Warren Road and Bullion Road using a shoulder machine to put in new shoulders on both roads. Highway will be installing a new road entering McKensy Place from Griffin Road to first crossover culver pipe.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

OLD BUSINESS

EXISTING TRUCK SNOW PLOW UPFIT -

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Sterling to upfit the 2015 Mack Dump truck so it can also be used as a snow plow. Carried.

Work will be done by Henderson Products Inc. of Kenvil, New Jersey and will take approximately 6 week to complete.

LETTER OF INTENT LOADER -

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Brewer to send Letter of Intent to Alta Construction Equipment NY LLC for new VOLVO L90H loader. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

TRASH day will be October 15, 2022, 8 - 11am, at the Town Garage. Permits will be available at the Town Clerk's Office.

HIGHWAY Garage award bid meeting will be September 6, 2022 at 1:00pm at the Town Hall, 66 E. Main Street, Mohawk.

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BUDGET AMENDMENT #7 - to record BAN payment for Capital Project (Richfield Street Bridge)

Increase expenditures to \$72,110.00 from 2022 budgeted amount of \$0.00 in fund DA-9950.9, account Transfer to Capital.

Decrease expenditures to \$0.00 from 2022 budgeted amount of \$33,399.00 in fund DA_9730.6 account Debt Principle, BAN.

Decrease in fund balance \$234,714.00 from 2022 budgeted amount of \$273,425.00 in fund DA-911.0 account Unreserved fund balance.

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to approve Budget Amendment#7. Carried.

DEPARTMENT heads budget estimates due to Rovazzi by no later than September 20, 2022.

HERKIMER COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE - Herkimer County Office of Emergency Services will be updating its county wide hazard mitigation plan and is inviting all local municipalities to participate in its 5-year regulatory of the plan.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Hendrix to accept invitation and attend. Carried.

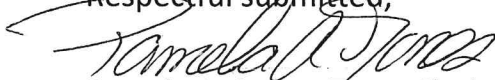
Primary POC (point of contact) Rovazzi, Alternate POC - Hendrix and Floodplain Administrator - Sweeney.

ROVAZZI was in contact with Andy Steele of the Mohawk Municipal Commission, about the needs of a hydrant on Warren Road, which would be located outside of the Village, due to rusty water backup. The hydrant would need to be flushed to decrease this backup.

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Rovazzi to pay MMC to install hydrant on Warren Road. Carried.

MOTION by Brewer, seconded by Hendrix to adjourn at 6:55pm. Carried

Respectful submitted,



Pamela A. Jones, Town Clerk

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