

Town of German Flatts Board Meeting
66 East Main Street Mohawk, New York 13407
July 22, 2020

Present: Peter Rovazzi, Supervisor
Scott Hendrix, Councilman
Penny Watkins, Councilwoman
Ozzie Sterling, Councilman
Jack Fitzer, Deputy Supervisor
Jim Hawkins, Dog Control Officer
Rich Sweeney, Codes compliance Officer
Karl Manne, Town Attorney
Pam Jones, Town Clerk
Absent: John Brewer, Councilman
Andy Dutcher, Highway Superintendent

Public: 6 people See separate sign in sheet.

Meeting was call to order by Rovazzi at 6:36 at the Town Community Center due to the coronavirus. Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Rovazzi to approve the June 24, 2020 minutes. Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Watkins to approve June 2020 Treasurer's report. Carried.

MOTION by Watkins, seconded by Rovazzi to approve the January 1, 2020 - June 30,2020 Town Clerk Treasurer's reports. Carried.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Rovazzi to approve Judge Engert's January 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020 Treasurer's reports. Carried.

MOTION by Watkins, seconded by Hendrix to approve Judge Stone's January 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020 Treasurer's reports. Carried.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Rovazzi to approve the January 1, 2020 - June 30, 2020 Receiver of Taxes Treasurer's reports. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Sterling to approve June 2020 Town Clerk's report for \$1,470.70. Carried.

MOTION by Rovazzi, seconded by Sterling to approve Judge Engert's June 2020 report for \$956.00. Carried.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Watkins to approve Judge Stone's June 2020 report for \$15,757.00. Carried.

BILLS & TRANSFERS

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Watkins to approve payment of GFIM bill for \$448.65. Carried.

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

OTHER REPORTS

Dog Control - Hawkins turned in his July 2020 report. Hawkins reported he had his State inspection on Monday, said all went well . Town will receive inspection results in a couple of weeks. Hawkins informed the board that Article 7 of the Agriculture & Markets law does not cover leash law. Sterling would like Town to adopt a lease law. Hawkins stated, now that the courts are back in session he can have up to 10 appearance tickets issued per court date and will start to issue more tickets.

Codes - Sweeney turned in his updated building permit report for 2020. Sweeney reported he is trying to be helpful with residents and answer any question that may have. He has a lot of new permits coming in. Sweeney will inform applicants by written, mailed notice of any problems with their applications.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

3 people spoke.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Johnson (Barking Dog) - Janice Johnson, of State Route 5s informed the board of her neighbors dog that barks all the time. Said, she can't enjoy sitting on her new deck or at times can't even hear her TV over the dog's barking. Hawkins will investigate the matter. Jones asked Mrs. Johnson to stop at her office to fill out a complaint form for the Dog Control Officer.

OLD BUSINESS

Trash day - There will not be a trash day till the month of October. This is subject to change due to the coronavirus.

Local Law # 1,2020 - Hendrix, Rovazzi and Sweeney will meet to work on proposed local law #1, 2020 (requirements for property maintenance) and report back at the August Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Adjustment #5 - Increase expenditures to \$4,950.00 from budgeted amount of \$4,200.00 in fund A-1355.4, account Assesment, Contr Expend.

Decrease expenditures to \$250.00 from budgeted amount of \$500.00 in fund A-3120.4 account Police & Constable, Contr Expend.

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Decrease expenditures to \$0.00 from budgeted amount of \$500.00 in fund A-3310.4 account Traffic Control, Contr expend. This budget adjustment is to reclassify expenditures of Assessor.

MOTION by Watkins, seconded by Hendrix to approve budget adjustment #5. Carried.

Richfield Street Bridge Borrowing Resolution -

MOTION by Hendrix, second by Watkins authorizing the issuance and sale of a Bond Anticipation Note or Notes of the Town of German Flatts in an amount not to exceed \$465,000.00 to finance the costs associated with the replacement of the Richfield Street Bridge over Steel Creek. AYES - Rovazzi, Hendrix, Sterling Watkins. Brewer absent. Carried.

MOTION by Sterling, seconded by Watkins to enter into Executive session at 6:20 and to have Sweeney and Fitzner also attend session, to discuss litigation as it pertains to the Creekside Mobile Home Park. Carried.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Watkins to exit Executive Session at 7:08. Carried.

MOTION by Watkins, seconded by Hendrix to hold the August monthly board meeting on August 19, 2020 at 5:30 pm at the Town Community Center. Carried.

MOTION by Hendrix, seconded by Rovazzi to adjourn at 7:10. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Pamela A. Jones, Town Clerk
Town of German Flatts