

**STATE OF NEW YORK
ALBANY COUNTY**

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

Town Supervisor Palow led the pledge of allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:01PM with the following members present: Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane, Town Clerk Kristin De Oliveira and Highway Superintendent Bashwinger.

DISCUSS/APPROVE MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE 8, 2022 & JUNE 22,2022

Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Doolin to approve the meeting minutes from June 8, 2022- Supervisor Palow & Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane all voting aye.

Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Vane to approve the meeting minutes from June 22, 2022- Supervisor Palow & Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane all voting aye.

CORRESPONDENCE

Update on Switzkill Farm

Supervisor Palow updated the board on recent interactions with Albany County regarding Switzkill Farm and discussed steps to move forward. Supervisor Palow made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Clayton, to authorize Councilmember Doolin to research auctioning items (excluding the elk head)- Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem & Vane all voting aye.

Public Comment

Members from Kenneth's Army came to thank the board for supporting the organization along the way and also presented a donation.

Marie Lounsbury shared a letter discussing Helderberg Ambulance and what a wonderful asset it is to the Helderbergs and expressed concern due to the great need of volunteers and spoke on personal experience of a 911 call with their assistance.

Sean Lyons- thanked the board for a great 6 months and read a letter discussing 2nd amendment rights being infringed upon with new legislation.

CORRESPONDENCE
DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway- Superintendent Bashwinger said all paving is done for the year 2022 and tree trimming is being taken care of. The Town also received \$500,000 for CHIPS. Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Clayton to approve the rental cost in an amount not to exceed \$3700 for the should machine: Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye.

Transfer Station- Highway Superintendent Bashwinger told the Board he thinks the parking lot needs sealing and get quotes.

Planning Board- Planning Board Chairman Martin spoke on the zoning restrictions within the town causing issues for new residents and existing residents as it is too restrictive. Mr. Martin is planning to survey residents on their concerns and input.

Zoning Board of Appeals- ZBA Chairman Spargo shared that there would be a meeting tomorrow July 14th with two public hearings.

Library- Library Director Kathy Stempel shared a reminder of Music in the Park at the Town Park for the first night of the summer as well as the showing of the Disney movie Luca at the library on Saturday July 16th.

Parks and Recreation Board- July 3rd the Town hosted fireworks in honor of Independence Day at the park with free ice cream. Supervisor Palow added that it was a wonderful turn out and a great display of fireworks.

OLD BUISNESS

Discuss Town Park Facilities

Supervisor Palow discussed with the board the quote received for pickle ball courts at town park. They discussed other options for recreational activities at the park as well as the options for a sewer. The board also discussed ideas about upgrading the Town Park Kitchen for both residents and nonresidents to utilize for events.

Discuss/Approve Kevin Bloodgood for Transfer Station

Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Thiem to hire Kevin Bloodgood as a part time permanent, FLSA non exempt, civil service exempt employee for 24 hours bi-weekly- Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem & Vane all voting aye.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss/Approve Town Clerk to Advertise for ZBA Alternates

After discussion Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Vane to allow Town Clerk to advertise for 2 ZBA alternate positions and 1 Parks & Recreation Chairman Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem & Vane all voting aye

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

Supervisor Palow made a motion to accept the Supervisor's Financial Report from June 2022 seconded by Councilmember Doolin, motion carried with the following roll call vote: Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye.

Supervisor Palow made a motion to accept the Town Clerk's Financial Report from June 2022 seconded by Councilmember Clayton motion carried with the following roll call vote: Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye.

Supervisor Palow made a motion to accept the Building and Zoning's Financial Report from June 2022 seconded by Councilmember Thiem, motion carried with the following roll call vote: Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye.

AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR JUNE

After discussion, Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Doolin that the budget transfers for June be authorized. Motion carried with the following roll call vote: Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye.

APPROVING ABSTRACTS AND PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS

After discussion, Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Thiem to approve the following abstracts and payment bills:

GENERAL FUND, HIGHWAY FUND, SEWER, UTILITIES WITHHOLDINGS FOR 2022

- Abstract #31 of 2022 \$13,459.44
- Abstract #32 of 2022 \$5,968.98
- Abstract#33 of 2022 \$13,309.75
- Abstract #34 of 2022 \$26,487.00
- Abstract #35 of 2022 \$57,079.93
- Abstract #36 of 2022 \$60,453.70
- Abstract #37 of 2022 \$10,431.88

Total of Abstracts #31-#37 2022 \$187,190.68

Motion carried with the following roll call vote: Supervisor Palow, and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 8:45PM

Supervisor Palow made a motion seconded by Councilmember Clayton to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter Supervisor Palow and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane all voting aye. The Town Board and Town Clerk entered executive session at 8:45PM.

9:35PM Supervisor Palow reconvened the meeting and stated that no action was taken during executive session.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business or discussion, Supervisor Palow made the motion seconded by Councilmember Vane to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with the following roll call vote: Supervisor Palow, and Councilmembers Clayton, Doolin, Thiem and Vane voting aye. Meeting adjourned 9:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

July 13, 2022

Kristin De Oliveira, Town Clerk