

The regular meeting of the Prattsburgh Town Board was called to order on July 18th, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. at the Prattsburgh Town Hall, Prattsburgh, NY. Supervisor Wordingham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Albert Wordingham	Supervisor
Angela Einwachter	Councilwoman
Elizabeth Peck	Councilwoman
Janette Payne	Councilwoman
Pete Scheid	Councilman
Edward Brockman	Legal Counsel
Kim Sobolewski	Town Clerk

GUEST SPEAKER

Chris Costanza gave the Board an update regarding the Main Street Grant and how it's progressing.

Lydia Aguilera spoke to the board about the Hometown Hero Signs.

Shaylin Rumsey pitched her idea about a community center and her plans moving forward.

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilman Scheid, seconded by Councilwoman Peck, the June 20th, 2022 Minutes were accepted as presented.

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion made by Councilman Scheid, seconded by Councilwoman Einwachter, the July 2022 financial report was accepted as presented by Supervisor Wordingham.

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

AUDIT OF BILLS

On a motion made by Councilwoman Einwachter, seconded by Councilwoman Payne, the board approved payment of the following bills on ABSTRACT #7 to be paid as presented. The total amount to be paid on ABSTRACT #7 is \$297,437.33. (Voucher#293-322)

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

APPROPRIATIONS

On a motion made by Councilman Scheid, seconded by Councilwoman Einwachter, the July 2022 appropriations accepted as presented.

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

HIGHWAY

Cold patched roads, fixing bad spots before oil and stone, fix shoulders on Flynn, Davis, McMichael, and muck Road. Graded Blacklock, Stanton, parts of cook school and Simon Gay Road. Lowered one cross pipe & replaced 4. Used shared service with Town of Wheeler doing oil and stone. Reground Ringrose and Italy Valley Road and injected with Meg chloride. We oiled in stone 10 miles of road had two flat tires on TR 117 inside dual on Brine truck.

CODE/WATER

Code

Permits- 4
Appearance Tickets- 0
Renewals- 3
Building Inspections- 31
Septic Inspections- 4
UFPO- 31
C of O/C- 5
Compliance Inspections- 0
Code Complaint- 3
Compliance Orders- 0
Remarks- I have been working to close out some old permits, about 60 of them
I have four applications waiting on approval for permit
I helped the highway direct traffic for two days while they were putting down oil and stone
Answered and returned 53 calls and emails about code related issues

Water

6/21 Read Meters
6/22 Rode with Joel Harvey from Naples to see their Neptune Meter Read System
6/24 Replaced curb box on Morgan St
6/28 Met with Jason Bellis to help update the Water System Preliminary Engineering Report
6/29 Worked on redoing a pit box on Fairgrounds Rd for a new service
7/1 Located and uncovered a buried Valve Box on N Main St
7/6 Installed new piping in pit box on Fairgrounds Rd
7/7 Met with Chris Schmitz about Badger meter and software update
7/8 Met with Chris Costanza about upsizing a water service on Main St
7/12 Rode with Tony Comstock from Avoca to see their Mueller Meter Read System
7/14 Located and uncovered a buried valve box to the Highway Barn and Maintenance Shop
7/18 Took July monthly water sample to the lab in Wayland
Working on fixing lawns from previous dig sites
Marked out eight UFPO sites for water

SUPERVISOR

6/21/22 Jason Bellis and I had a discussion today regarding the Water District PER (preliminary engineering report) that was scheduled to be completed this month. During Jason's research he has discovered a number of areas in the town's system that he believes should be included in the PER. Chris and I have a meeting with Jason on 6/28/22.

6/22/22 Last night Angela, Jack Wheeler (County Manager), and I attended the Cohocton Town board meeting. We addressed the 1 ½ year long dispute on revenue sharing from the landfill that Cohocton and Prattsburgh own and that the county had leased for decades until last year. About four months ago the Prattsburgh Town Board voted unanimously to work with the county on a revenue sharing agreement, however Cohocton was yet to respond. Settling this is critical because there is an annual D.E.C. report due in a couple of months that the county has always handled. I am pleased to report that the majority of the Cohocton board supported the concept of revenue sharing. Jack will present to the County Legislature next Monday and with their approval move forward with a draft plan for all three parties to discuss.

6/23/22 I had a meeting with Kathy Spenser from LaBella Associates regarding the Terra-Gen project. LaBella has been the engineering firm that has worked on behalf of the town with respect to the wind project. They will send a proposal for the board to consider.

6/28/22 Chris, Jason Bellis (Larson Engineering), and I had a meeting to establish the priorities of the PER (Preliminary Engineering Report) for the Water District. The lack of properly documented history presented a challenge but Chris and Jason working together were able to put together a list of priorities so that once the PER is complete it will be an effective plan to work from for years.

6/30/22 We have taken a big step in a positive direction in the controversy over revenue sharing between Prattsburgh, Cohocton, and Steuben County. Last week Cohocton joined Prattsburgh in conceptual agreement to share any revenue created at the landfill with the county. On 6/27/22 the county also agreed to a conceptual revenue sharing agreement. The county is drawing up a new lease for Prattsburgh and Cohocton to review.

7/1/22 I sent a letter to Tom Becker of RDBG (Rural Development Business Grant) to ask for an extension on the timetable for completion of the wastewater project.

7/6/22 I have been working for the last two days updating the Main Street Grant paper work. I will be meeting with Chris Costanza in the next few days.

7/7/22 Pete Scheid, Ed Brockman, and I had a meeting to put together a list of questions for Ed to ask Dwight Kanyuck an attorney with Knauf Shaw LLP that has experience with the 94-c process with respect to the Terra-Gen project.

7/7/22 Jeannette, Chris, and I met with Chris Schimtz who represents Badger Meter (meters we currently use for the water dept.). He put together a hardware and software package for us to consider. We now have three quotes for updating the department.

7/8/22 All of the supervisors from the towns that are impacted by the Terra-Gen Project met today. The important takeaway was that none of us currently have answers to most of the questions asked of Terra-Gen. We agreed to meet again next month to establish a strategy.

7/12/22 Ed Brockman, Chris Costanza, Pete Scheid, and I met with to discuss the progress on the Main Street Grant project. Chris has been working hard to get the restaurant open in a couple of weeks. He believes he has completed all of the necessary work to get the "green light" to move forward on the rest of the renovation. Chris is going to update the town with the necessary paperwork to fulfil the state requirements. I will be meeting with Hunt Engineers (the grant administrators) to get their update.

WATER FORGIVENESS

On a motion made by Councilwoman Einwachter, seconded by Councilman Scheid, the Board approved leniency for Linda Alamos water bill of which had a leak and has now been repaired.

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

DECK QUOTE

On a motion made by Councilwoman Einwachter, seconded by Councilman Scheid, the following was approved:

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Town of Prattsburgh

Resolution No.27-2022

Awarding Work Contract For Repair of Deck And Steps on Town Hall Building

Motion by Councilperson Einwachter, seconded by

Councilperson Scheid to adopt the

following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Hall has an exterior deck walk-way with a metal railing affixed thereto in a concrete base and concrete steps; and

WHEREAS, the composite material on the deck requires replacement, the railing which is attached to a concrete base is rusted beyond rehabilitation and also requires replacement; and

WHEREAS, the concrete steps require repair; and

WHEREAS, proposals have been solicited for such work to be performed for the Town; and

WHEREAS, only one proposal has been received which would include replacement of the deck material, replacement of the metal railing and repair of the concrete steps; and

WHEREAS, that proposal was made by Russell Kopylczak in the amount of \$3,750.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT

It is determined that the Town has made a good faith effort to obtain proposals for the work, that the proposal from Russell Kopylczak is the sole proposal received and that such proposal is reasonable considering the scope of work and materials required for the project; accordingly, it is therefore

Resolved that the proposal from Russell Kopylczak, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, is approved; and it is further

Resolved that the Town Supervisor is authorized to enter into a contract with Russell Kopylczak for the work and to expend the funds for the project, subject to audit and payment by the Town Board; and it is further

Resolved, that funds received by the Town through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) be utilized for this project as a "micro procurement" pursuant to the regulations applicable thereto.

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH)

I, Kim Sobolewski, Clerk for the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben and State of New York, do hereby certify that the before mentioned RESOLUTION 2022 was adopted at the regular meeting the Town of Prattsburgh Town Board held on July 18, 2022, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Dated: July 19, 2022 _____

Kim Sobolewski

ARPA FUNDS

On a motion made by Councilman Scheid, seconded by Councilwoman Einwachter, a public hearing is set for August 15th, 2022 at 6:35 P.M

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

WATER POLICY

On a motion made by Councilman Scheid, seconded by Councilwoman Payne, a public hearing is set for August 15th, 2022 at 6:30 P.M

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH

Resolution No. 28-2022

Proposed Local Law For The Town of Prattsburgh Water District Policy

Motion by Councilperson Scheid, seconded by

Councilperson Payne to adopt the following resolution

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh operates and administers a Water District which provides potable water to a portion of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is considering adoption of a Local Law for the Prattsburgh Water District Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board intends to act as "Lead Agency" with respect to SEQRA issues related to this action.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT

1. The Town Board of Town of Prattsburgh hereby determines that it is in the best

interests of the residents and property owners of the Prattsburgh water to propose adoption of this Local Law.

2. The Town Board designates itself as “Lead Agency” for SEQRA issues related hereto, determines that there will be no detrimental environmental impacts resulting therefrom, therefore declares this to be a “Type II” action and accordingly no environmental review will be undertaken.

3. A public hearing on the proposed Local Law is hereby scheduled for August 15, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Hall and that notice thereof be made by legal counsel.

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, Kim Sobolewski, Clerk for the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben and State of New York, do hereby certify that the before mentioned RESOLUTION 28-2022 was adopted at the meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh held on July 18, 2022, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Dated: July 19, 2022

Kim Sobolewski–Town Clerk

Town of Prattsburgh

SICKLE BAR

On a motion made by Councilwoman Einwachter, seconded by Councilman Scheid, the Board approved the sale of surplus property sold to Richard Underhill for \$16.00, equivalent to the current scrap price.

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilman Scheid, seconded by Councilwoman Peck and duly carried, Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

Councilwoman Einwachter- Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk