

The regular meeting of the Prattsburgh Town Board was called to order on April 15th, 2024, 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 Councilmember
Elizabeth Peck Councilmember
Janette Payne Councilmember
Pete Scheid Councilmember
Edward Brockman Legal Counsel
Kim Sobolewski Town Clerk

GUEST SPEAKER

Mike Hannah spoke to the board regarding the new Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, Eric Rose. Eric filled the Board in about everything going on in Steuben County.

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the March 18th, 2024, Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Payne, the April 2024 financial report was accepted as presented by Supervisor Wordingham.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

AUDIT OF BILLS

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the board approved payment of the following bills on ABSTRACT #4 to be paid as presented. The total amount to be paid on ABSTRACT #4 is \$78504.61. (Voucher#129-165)

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

CODE

Permits apps - 11
Appearance Tickets-0

Renewals- 0
Building inspections- 14
Septic Inspections – 0
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Compliance inspections - 1
Compliance orders – 0
Phone Calls – 47
Incidents – 1 Fire @ 5611 Lyons Hollow road
Emails – 58
Plan Reviews. Chapter 13 reviews, Meeting with LDG, Al, & Austin, worked on code files, Fire & safety check list update, Completed 3 census reports

WATER

I have been working on The Prattsburgh Water District Emergency Plan and Security Vulnerability Assessment
Read Meters for the April billing
Read five Data Logs for customers with higher usage
Cut trees and brush at the reservoir
Removed one old meter pit and capped the service line
I have started working on cleaning and repainting mains inside the pump house
I have been working on updating our Water District Policy to include new installs
I sent in March's Water Report to the DOH
Installed new led caution light on the truck
Turned on one service
I went to OSHA training in Hammondsport
I took April's Coli/E.coli water sample to the Wayland lab
I had a meeting with Empire about their new service line to their new building
UDIG
Tickets – 56
Mark outs - 7

SUPERVISOR

4/1/24 Nathan Brady from USDA contacted me for permission to monitor the Box Tree Moth and European Cherry Fruit Fly. Approximately June 1st, the USDA will hang a few traps on town property to capture the bugs and then have them analyzed at Cornell. The traps are sticky sheets that will be about 6 ft. off the ground. They will remove the traps around September 1st.

4/5/24 Angela and I had a meeting with Dwight Kanyuck (Knauf-Shaw) regarding the O.R.E.S. review of petition submitted on behalf of the Town of Prattsburgh. The States review all of the waivers (Prattsburgh town laws) that Terra-Gen has requested have found not to be a problem. The next step is oral arguments that Dwight will have with a judge (also employed by the state of N.Y). Dwight believes that will be scheduled around the 16th of April. If the judge disagrees with the O.R.E.S. findings a hearing will be scheduled, at that time Dwight will argue in support of the town laws.

4/8/24 Catherine Rees (RECAP Solutions) and I sent a letter to Nicholas Langworthy (Member of Congress) requesting grant money to supplement the Rural Development grant and loan for the water department that we have received a Letter of Conditions.

4/11/24 The town has been waiting since January to see if we are going to receive an EDA grant to supplement the existing grants, we already have secured for the wastewater. In an effort to keep the project moving I had a conversation with Kory Bay to see if there was grant money available to the school for a project of this nature. If so, we can possibly combine resources to complete the project. Kory and I are going to meet with the school's engineer and J.C. Smith (I.D.A.) next week to discuss further.

4/12/24 Chris U., Fred M., and I worked on revising the town's water policy with respect to responsibilities of the water department and the responsibilities of the water district customer. We will be discussing the document at the April town board meeting.

4/12/24 I received confirmation from USDA Rural Development that Prattsburgh has been approved for a loan and grant for the Phase IV water system improvement project. Receiving this confirmation will help us in applying for additional grants, therefore reducing the loan amount.

WATER POLICY

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the following was approved:

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH Resolution No. 8 –2024

Proposed Local Law To amend The Town of Prattsburgh Water District Policy

Motion by Councilperson Einwachter, seconded by Councilperson Peck 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 to amend the Prattsburgh Water District Policy with respect to terms and conditions related to connections to water mains; 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 District to consider proposed adoption of terms and conditions related to connections to water mains in the Water District.

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. Town legal counsel is requested to draft a Local Law with respect hereto.

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 8-2024 was adopted at the meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh held on April 15, 2024, 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: April 16, 2024

Kim Sobolewski–Town Clerk
Town of Prattsburgh

TOWN PARK

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the Board approved placement of bike racks in the Town Park pending conversation with Tim Hoose for placement.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

BEAUTIFICATION

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the Board approved Rotary to use the beautification fund (\$300.00) for flowerpots and plants for the Main Street and The Town Hall.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, and duly carried, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk