

May 4, 2023

Town Board Meeting

Present: Supervisor Marty Mason, Councilman Dan Wiley, Councilman Paul Aubertine, Councilman Tim Maloney, Councilman Alan Wood, Bill Pond Highway Superintendent.

Supervisor Mason opened the meeting at 6:30pm with the pledge of allegiance.
Privilege of the floor – no one in attendance to speak.

Councilman Wood made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:30pm to interview candidates to fill the vacancy at the transfer site, seconded by Councilman Aubertine. All members voted AYE.

Councilman Wood made a motion to come out of Executive Session and resume the meeting at 6:48pm, seconded by Councilman Aubertine. All members voted AYE.

Supervisor Mason thanked the two candidates interviewed and let them know that the board would decide in the next couple of days. He also asked if they would need to give their two weeks' notice to their current employer if they are hired and they both said yes.

Supervisor Mason said that he had received a quote from CNY Pomeroy Appraisers in the amount of \$5,500.00 to do an appraisal of the town's gravel pit. He said that they are asking for half of the fee up front and they can start soon.

Bill Pond said that he has tried to find more material there, but can't. He said that he can't justify hanging on to the property, and would like to proceed with the sale of the property.

Supervisor Mason said that in the past Mike Docteur had talked of an aquifer there. Supervisor Mason said this should add value to the land.

Councilman Aubertine asked if this could be part of the appraisal. He also asked if Supervisor Mason if they need three quotes for the appraisal.

Councilman Maloney asked if Frontenac Crystal Springs could lay claim to it if it is under the town's property.

Councilman Wood made a motion to approve of the quote provided by CNY Pomeroy Appraisers in the amount of \$5,500.00 and to pay half up front and that the appraisal to be done by Oct. 1, 2023, seconded by Councilman Maloney. All members voted AYE.

Supervisor Mason said that the town will need to hold a public hearing on the LWRP report. He said that Scott Burto will complete the SEQR.

Supervisor Mason said that he and Mayor Golden have met with Ron Trottier regarding the boat house property on Club Street. He said that Mr. Trottier is asking \$285,000.00 for the smaller boathouse and the pavilion.

Councilman Wiley said that if Mr. Trottier is ready to move forward, the board should act on it.

Councilman Aubertine said that he is not concerned with the village agreeing on the purchase, he feels the town should move forward.

Councilman Wiley said that at all the meetings with Edgewater, during public comments, all were in favor of the purchase and tearing down the boathouse. He said this is all part of the design phases for Club Street.

Michelle Bouchard, Town Clerk, told the board that Keith Brass is asking permission to put the Annual Quality Water Report announcement in the paper. The board gave approval stating that it is a requirement.

Councilman Aubertine made a motion to accept the annual audit of the Town Clerk's books, seconded by Councilman Maloney. All members voted AYE.

Michelle Bouchard told the board that she received a notice from Millens Bay Inn, LLC/Captain Jerry's Tiki Bar asking the board to waive the 30-day notice for their liquor license.

Councilman Maloney made a motion to waive the 30-day notice, seconded by Councilman Wood. All members voted AYE.

Supervisor Mason said that the Chamber of Commerce did not budget this year for the porta potties to be put in the village. He said that they are asking the town and village to pay for them. The board discussed this stating that they already pay for the porta potties used during French Festival for the Chamber.

Councilman Aubertine made a motion that the town will pay up to \$1,000.00 for porta potties, but only after receiving an invoice from the Chamber for them, seconded by Councilman Wood. All members voted AYE.

Councilman Wiley said that Edgewater has told the LDC that there is a Boaters Infrastructure grant available to help with the docks at Club Street. He said that the fee for them to write the grant is \$11,000.00 and they will write it, administer it and follow it through. This will be for phase 2 of the Club Street waterfront project.

Councilman Aubertine said that he would like to have the LDC move forward with this, and Councilman Maloney agreed that it should continue to move forward.

The board discussed this and had a few questions. At this point Councilman Wiley called Scott Burto.

Councilman Wiley asked if the grant should go through the LDC or the town. Scott said that because it is a grant that comes through the Federal Government, the town should apply.

The board discussed using the budgeted funds set aside for the LDC to pay the fee to Edgewater. Scott said that if the town wants to cut back on the LDC budget, they could do it, as grant writing it is a legitimate expense.

Councilman Aubertine made a motion to authorize Edgewater to apply for the Boaters Infrastructure grant with a fee up to \$11,800.00 for which the funds will be withheld from the 2024 LDC budget, seconded by Councilman Wood. All members voted AYE.

Resolutions

Resolution #29

Resolution #29 was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilman Aubertine. Resolution #29 is to set the date of May 18, 2023 at 6:15pm for two public hearings. First public hearing will be to hear public comment on the LWRP report and the second, immediately following will be on the Franchise agreement with Charter Communications.

There was no discussion. All members voted AYE.

Resolution #30

Resolution #30 was moved by Councilman Wood, seconded by Councilman Maloney. Resolution #30 is to authorize the town attorney to draw up a purchase offer for Ron Trottier, for the purchase of the small boathouse and pavilion, River Marine, Club Street in the amount of \$285,000.00 and that Mr. Trottier would have 30 days after receiving the offer to respond.

There was no discussion. All members voted AYE.

Councilman Wood made a motion to hire Kevin Jackson, Jr. at a rate of \$18.00 per hour and offer him health and retirement, and he is to start as soon as his two weeks notice to his current employer is up, and that he must pass a physical, seconded by Councilman Aubertine. All members voted AYE.

Councilman Wood made a motion to adjourn at 7:45pm.

Michelle Bouchard, RMC – Town Clerk