

September 8th, 2022 Town Board Minutes

The regular meeting of the Greenfield Town Board was held September 8th, 2022 at 7PM at the Greenfield Town Hall with the following members present: Kevin Veitch, Supervisor; MaryAnn Johnson, Ty Stacey and Mike Gyarmathy Councilpersons. Also present were Justin Burwell Highway Superintendent, Town Counsel, Mark Schachner and approximately 5 residents. Absent was Councilman Rick Capasso. The Supervisor opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.

On a motion by Stacey, C and seconded by Johnson, C the minutes from August 4th, 11th, and 26th, 2022 were approved as submitted by all members present.

Correspondence

Hero Parks Workers –The letter read as follows: “I wanted to write this email in appreciation of 2 parks workers who helped us out with a very frightening situation this morning. We were staying in Porters Corners and our 3-year-old son Luke, who has autism, opened the back door of our Airbnb and escaped into the woods while we were packing. He was missing for several minutes before we realized he had left the house and property. When searching, I flagged down a park’s car and the 2 employees, an older gentleman (who said he had 3 grandchildren) and a woman with short blonde hair, got out and helped us search with no hesitation. They ended up finding him about 300 feet away in a neighbor’s backyard through a dense woods next to our house. The man carried Luke through the woods and back to us. In the fog of the situation we forgot their names, but we will never forget their kindness and their urgency to help us. I hope this is the right parks department and I hope this email reaches them. Please pass along our thanks and our appreciation.” At the meeting next month (October) the Town Board will recognize Channon and Bob and show them their appreciation of what they did.

Old Business

Septic System for Brookhaven – received the engineer’s estimate reports for the new system. Charlie came up with 2 plans. A budgetary estimate of the system costs based on an estimated hydraulic loading of 2,000 gpd: estimated total replacement system costs will be \$70,600.00. A budgetary estimate of the system costs based on an estimated hydraulic loading rate of 860 gpd: estimated total replacement system costs will be \$31,100.00.

Resolution #113 – 2022 Authorize the Town Engineer to design the smaller system

Motion Johnson, C

Seconded: Gyarmathy, C

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby approves the Town Engineer to design the necessary smaller system that will work and once we get it back will go out to bid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

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Upcoming Events – Town Wide Garage Sale sponsored by the Greenfield Lions and The Greenfield Baptist Church happening September 10th-11th. Town Wide Clean Up happening at the Highway Garage September 16th-18th from 7:00am-3:00pm.

New Business

Triple “J” Way – this is a private road and the gentleman that dropped off the pictures states that these are safety measures. He apparently can not get things delivered to his home because the road is very bad. This is why the Town of Greenfield doesn’t allow private roads, which we have about 30 private roads in the Town of Greenfield. When it is a private road the town has no responsibility of plowing and maintaining the road. It is up to the owner of the development or they form a homeowner’s association so that these issues can be taken care of.

Resolution #114 – 2022 Reappoint Rick Schwartzbeck to the Board of Assessment Review

Motion: Stacey, C

Seconded: Johnson, C

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby reappoints Rick Schwartzbeck to a five-year term with the Board of Assessment Review, term to end September 30, 2027.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

Discussion on the Ambulance service (call report, revenue and 2023 outlook) – Matt Fogarty is here to go over what has been happening with the ambulance service from January 1st, 2022 through July 31st, 2022. Total Service Call Volume is 1007 calls for service: Town of Corinth 492 calls for service, Town of Greenfield 459 calls for service, Town of Day 56 calls for service, Mutual Aid Given & Other 95 calls for service. Mutual Aid Received tracked at 48 runs. Roughly 5% of total call volume we requested mutual aid while conversely 10% of total call volume is answering mutual aid request. The service has handled 95% of total call volume. 56% call volume is between 6a-6a, 44% call volume is between 9a-9a. Call for service disposition by receiving hospital: Saratoga Hospital: 545, Glens Falls Hospital: 109, Albany Area Hospital: 18. Greenfield’s Ambulance Service needs are: a generator in case the power goes off and the bay door needs to be raised. The Fire Company has lent them a portable small one for right now. A flag, AC and pest control. A full report can be seen at the Town Hall.

Resolution #115 – 2022 Schedule a Public Hearing for instituting a Moratorium

Motion: Gyarmathy, C

Seconded: Stacey, C

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby schedules a Public Hearing Thursday, October 13th, 2022 at 7:00PM at the Greenfield Town Hall, 7 Wilton Road, Greenfield Center, New York 12833 to hear comments on proposed Local Law #1 of 2022 instituting a Moratorium on Certain Solar Facilities in the Town of Greenfield.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

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Chips Funding – the highway department budgets the basic chips funding so that when that revenue comes in it can be used. The basic chips funding is \$210,607.00. The highway department has received \$220,612.00 above the basic funding for chips. The highway would like to use that additional funding of \$220,612.00 to do highway projects.

Resolution #116 – 2022 Approve Additional Chips Funding to be used by the Highway

Department

Motion: Johnson, C

Seconded: Stacey, C

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby approves the additional funding of Chips in the amount of \$220,612.00 to be used by the highway department to do highway projects.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

Monthly reports were submitted by the Town Clerk, Supervisor, Recreation Department, Building Department Community Center and Brookhaven Golf Course.

Resolution #117 -2022 General Bills

Motion: Stacey, C

Seconded: Gyarmathy, C

Resolved, that the General Bills in the amount of \$85,216.27 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

Resolution #118- 2022 Highway Bills

Motion: Johnson, C

Seconded: Stacey, C

Resolved, that the Highway Bills in the amount of \$360,828.21 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

Resolution #119 – 2022 Parks Bills

Motion: Gyarmathy, C

Seconded: Johnson, C

Resolved, that the Parks Bills in the amount of \$34,858.72 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Absent: Capasso, C

Noes: None

To: Town Board
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RE: Budget Resolution and Amendment to Authorize a Transfer of Funds

In order to balance the books through August 31, 2022, the following transfers are required:

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General Fund:

Decrease A1990.400 Contingent by \$9,050.00
Increase A1220.100 Supervisor-Personnel by \$5,000.00
Increase A1440.400 Engineering-Contractual by \$2,000.00
Increase A1620.400 Town Hall Contractual by \$2,000.00
Increase A1910.400 Unallocated Insurance by \$50.00

Brookhaven:

Decrease CR1990.400 Contingent by \$3,000.00
Increase CR1375.400 Credit Card Expense by \$3,000.00

Respectfully,

Cara A. Parks
Principal Account Clerk
Town of Greenfield

Resolution #120 – 2022 Transfer of Funds

Motion: Johnson, C
Seconded: Stacey, C

Resolved, that the Town Board hereby approves the Transfer of \$9,050.00 from the Contingent account to cover the General account and \$3,000.00 from the Contingent account to cover the Brookhaven Parks account.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Stacey, Gyarmathy
Noes: None

Absent: Capasso, C

On a motion by Stacey, C and seconded by Gyarmathy, C the meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

Town Clerk

