

March 13th, 2025 Town Board Minutes

At the Greenfield Town Hall the Town Board held its regular meeting March 13th, 2025 at 7 PM with the following members present; Kevin Veitch, Supervisor; Mike Gyarmathy, MaryAnn Johnson, Ty Stacey and Rick Capasso Councilpersons. Also present was Town Counsel Mark Schachner and 13 residents. The Supervisor opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.

On a motion by Capasso, C and seconded by Stacey, C the minutes from February 13th, 2025 were approved as submitted by all members present. **Motion Carried**

Correspondence

All Correspondence was received and filed with the Town Clerk: Letter from Legal Counsel regarding the Town of Greenfield's Facebook page & A response from Facebook, Letter from Commissioner of Public Works regarding Speed Reduction for Daniel's Road and Letter from DEC regarding Nicholus Washco's Notice of Violation.

Old Business

RESOLUTION #54 – 2025 APPROVE PICKLEBALL COURT FUNDING

Motion: Stacey, C

Seconded: Johnson C

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the use of UDAG funds at approx. \$200,000.00 from the interest that has been earned on the UDAG funding for the Pickleball Courts.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Noes: None

Motion Carried

New Business

Spring Cleanup Day will be May 2, 3 and 4th from 7 AM to 3 PM at the Highway Garage, 409 Bockes Rd. Porter Corners, NY 12859. Must have a town resident card, which can be picked up at Town Hall. Any questions the Town Hall or Highway Department can be called.

RESOLUTION #55 – 2025 SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING FOR AMENDING

LOCAL LAW #2-2023

Motion: Johnson, C

Seconded: Capasso, C

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby schedules a Public Hearing Thursday, April 10th, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Greenfield Town Hall, 7 Wilton Road, Greenfield Center, New York 12833 for a proposal amendment of Local Law #2 – 2023 to modify the residency requirement pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 455-I of volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Noes: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION #56 – 2025 APPROVE REST STOPS FOR TOUR de CURE

Motion: Capasso, C

Seconded: Gyarmathy, C

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby approves the Tour de Cure bike ride event on June 1st, 2025 to use the Town of Greenfield Highway Department lawn and the Middle Grove Town Park in Middle Grove as rest stops.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Motion Carried

Noes: None

RESOLUTION #57 – 2025 ACCEPT CONTRACT WITH SARATOGA COUNTY

AGING & YOUTH SERVICES

Motion: Johnson, C

Seconded: Stacey, C

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby accepts the contract with Saratoga County Aging & Youth Services. The Town of Greenfield will be reimbursed \$4,292.00 for the contract period 1/1/2025 – 9/30/2025, for youth program expenditures.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Motion Carried

Noes: None

Tonya Yasenchak chair for the Greenfield Planning Board is here to discuss with the Town Board simplifying Planning & Zoning Board Processes. Tonya talked about Public Hearing Site Signage, Public Hearing Neighbor Notifications, Public Hearing Ad fees and Engineering review escrow fees. They would like to retain Adirondack signs to fabricate public hearing notice signs for public hearings. The sign would be the size of a standard real estate sign printed on both sides. The cost would be \$37.50 per sign. Tonya also suggested that notifications and public hearing ad fees would be the responsibility of the applicant. Tonya also stated that they would like to reduce the open space fee (escrow) for minor subdivisions only. The Board thinks these are really great ideas and fully support the changes that the Planning & Zoning Boards would like to make. When they get the full changes done they will bring it before the board again for approval.

Stephanie Ferradino is here representing Twin Leaf Farms LLC. Supervisor Kevin Veitch and Councilman Mike Gyarmathy have recused themselves from this discussion. Twin Leaf Farms is seeking a short-term generic Mass Gathering Permit to host events at the Barn while the PUD application process is pending. The Barn would like to host one event per month. The code for Mass Gatherings is very specific to certain items. Days, Activities and Site are specific items for a mass gathering permit. Town Counsel Mark Schachner states that the code does not allow for Generic Mass Gathering Permits. The purpose is to allow the Town Board to know what exactly is purposed on what specific day, by what organization and where, not a generic on what could happen but what is going to happen. If it is an event that the Town Board is not happy having in the Town of Greenfield you are obligated to go through with it because you have issued a Generic Mass Gathering Permit. The time frame is what holds up the applicant. You have to have it in 60 days before the event. The 60 day can be changed but then you would have to have a local law and public hearing. Stephanie will propose a draft to Mark in regards to the time frame, to review and then it will come before the Town Board and then they will decide then what will be done or what needs to be done. Until then each applicant will have to submit a Mass Gathering Application for each event.

Monthly reports were submitted by Town Clerk, Building Department, Highway Department & the Annual Report and Building & Grounds

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RESOLUTION #58 – 2025 GENERAL BILLS

Motion: Capasso, C

Seconded: Gyarmathy, C

RESOLVED, that the General Bills in the amount of \$152,996.98 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Motion Carried

Noes: None

RESOLUTION #59 – 2025 HIGHWAY BILLS

Motion: Johnson, C

Seconded: Gyarmathy, C

RESOLVED, that the Highway Bills in the amount of \$214,773.59 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Motion Carried

Noes: None

RESOLUTION #60 – 2025 PARKS BILLS

Motion: Stacey, C

Seconded: Capasso, C

RESOLVED, that the Parks Bills in the amount of \$67,136.23 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Motion Carried

Noes: None

RESOLUTION #61 – 2025 TRUST AND AGENCY BILLS

Motion: Johnson, C

Seconded: Stacey, C

RESOLVED, that the Trust and Agency Bills in the amount of \$1,605.80 be paid.

Vote: Ayes: Veitch, Johnson, Capasso, Stacey, Gyarmathy

Motion Carried

Noes: None

On a motion by Capasso, C and seconded by Stacey, C the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted

Karen Downen, Town Clerk

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