

WILMINGTON TOWN BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

TUESDAY OCTOBER 12, 2021

7:00 PM-COMMUNITY CENTER

TOWN BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: SUPERVISOR- Roy Holzer

COUNCILWOMAN-Paula McGreevy

COUNCILWOMAN- Dawn Stevens

COUNCILMAN-Darin Forbes

ABSENT-COUNCILWOMAN- Rarilee Conway

ALSO PRESENT- Nancy Randall-Town Clerk, Louie Adragna-Highway Superintendent, John Langford-Parks Superintendent, Michelle Preston-Visitors Bureau, Doug Nemecc-Codes Officer

Members of the Public present: Margaret Mangum, Rebecca Rondeau, Tim Follos, Tina L Terry Preston, Cliff Holzer, Tim Rowland, Chris Barnes, Rich Nolan, Sooh Mierop, Kari Lansing

MOTION to approve the minutes of the last meeting

MOTION-Paula McGreevy

SECOND- Darin Forbes

ALL IN FAVOR

There was a presentation by Kari Lansing to suggest having a 10K, Half Marathon, and 12 hours of Wilmington the first weekend in August 2022. They would like to use the Preston Field for food trucks, music and entertainment for the families of the runners. There would be limited interruption of the roads. They would do the promoting nation- wide and there would be graduated fees.

RESOLUTION 56-21 to authorize this event

MOTION-Dawn Stevens

SECONDED-Paula McGreevy

ALL IN FAVOR

A Certificate of appreciation from Essex County was given to each of the Assessors. Marcel Bruce, Blanche Peck and Alfonzo Smith.

A MOTION to approve the contract with the University of Vermont was made by Dawn Stevens, SECONDED by Darin Forbes and was passed with ALL IN FAVOR.

A MOTION to approve the contract with Life Flight was made by Darin Forbes, SECONDED by Dawn Stevens and passed with ALL IN FAVOR.

57-21

A MOTION was made by Paula McGreevy and SECONDED by Dawn Stevens to accept the 2022 Preliminary Town Budget and to set the Public Hearing for November 4th at 7 PM. It was also decided to hold the boards November monthly meeting directly after the public hearing. MOTION was carried with ALL IN FAVOR.

There was a discussion of the New York State Cannabis Law which would legalize the sale and use of Cannabis in the Town of Wilmington. This would mean a business for the sale and use of cannabis and possibly a smoking bar. A decision has to be made by the end of this year. If you opt out, you can decide at a later date to opt in. Once you opt in, you cannot get out of it. Roy Holzer, Dawn Stevens and Rarilee Conway have no issues with it. Paula McGreevy and Darin Forbes would like to review it more, It was decided to put it on the agenda for November and December meetings.

The town received correspondence from a resident of Juniper Hill to pave the road. If it were to be done, it would probably be at the expense of the residents of Juniper Hill and would be added to their assessment and paid for over time. It would have to be a majority of the residents on Juniper Hill that want it done.

^{Motion}
RESOLUTION ~~57-21~~ to approve Budgets and Transfers

MOTION-Darin Forbes SECONDED-Paula McGreevy ALL IN FAVOR

HIGHWAY REPORT: the boards should be off the dam by tomorrow, the sand for this winter has been hauled. Two plow trucks ready to go for the winter and two more to go.

RESOLUTION 58-21 to approve the purchase of a new pickup with a plow for the highway superintendent at a cost of \$ 44,434.00

MOTION- Paula McGreevy SECONDED-Dawn Stevens ALL IN FAVOR

VISITORS BUREAU REPORT: there will be a business after hours with Mountain Valley Federal Credit Union on November 17th. There will be a Holiday Craft Fair on November 20th at Pourman's from 10 until 3, and the Ugly Sweater Party will be on December 13th.

CODES OFFICER REPORT: There are 67 open permits at this point. Everything else is doing well

PARKS DEPARTMENT REPORT: They will be taking down the banners and flags on the utility poles. Decorations for the Christmas season will begin.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT: There has been an adjustment to the Water Connection Application. Fees for larger size taps and for connections requiring a Meter Pit installation will be on a case by case basis. Fee for a tap up to 1" is \$950.00. Fee for an Out of District Road Crossing is \$1,050.00 A

MOTION to approve this change was made by Darin Forbes, SECONDED by Dawn Stevens and passed with ALL IN FAVOR.

RESOLUTION 59-21 To approve the purchase of a tractor at a cost of \$1760.00 from Parkside Supply

MOTION-Dawn Stevens SECONDED -Paula McGreevy Darin Forbes ABSTAINED

Immediately following the meeting, the board went into executive session to discuss personnel issues.

MOTION to adjourn made by Paula McGreevy SECONDED by Dawn Stevens

SUPERVISORS REPORT FOR WILMINGTON TOWN BOARD REGULAR MONTHLY OCTOBER 12, 2021 MEETING

I would like to report that we received receipt from the New York State Department of State has been filed as Local Law #1, 2021 in reference to Short Term Rentals. I will be advising the board with options of starting the registration process soon. Hopefully have information for the board at our work session this month.

We passed our NYS Agriculture and Markets Municipal Inspection on September 14th. All items were "Satisfactory". I do need RESOLUTIONS to sign contract with the North Country SPCA. One is our yearly agreement and the other is a separate agreement for the containment of dangerous dogs.

RESOLUTION 60-21 to enter into an agreement with the SPCA for Animal contractual services MOTION was made by Paula McGreevy, SECONDED by Dawn Stevens and carried with All In Favor.

RESOLUTION 61-21 To contract with North Country SPCA for Dangerous Dog Confinement MOTION was made by Dawn Stevens, SECONDED by Paula McGreevy and passed with ALL IN FAVOR.

I will be attending the Adirondack Champlain Regional Salt Summit in Lake George this Thursday. I know this was a near and dear issue with Randy Preston and I think it is important to keep Wilmington involved.

We are in the process of adding four more Christmas Light set ups with NYSEG. Two will be added to Springfield Road and two added to Haselton Road. Steve Forbes from Parkside Supply has graciously offered to pay for one of the new Christmas decorations.

Essex County needs Election Inspectors throughout the County for next month's election. Pay is \$12.50 an hour and they pay for training.

The restroom at Preston Field will be sided in the next couple of weeks and before winter.

Our Parks/EMT position has been filled with Brooke Paries. The starting rate of pay is \$16.00 an hour. This amount will go up once Brooke completes and passes the EMT class and certification.

We will be advertising for a Planning/ZBA alternate board member to fill the void of moving Cliff Holzer to a regular board member.

Our 200th Wilmington Anniversary Committee meeting will be held here next Wednesday at 12:30 for anyone that wishes to attend.

AFFIDAVIT

We, the undersigned, acting as a Board of Auditors of the Town of Wilmington, do hereby certify that the attached is a complete and true abstract of all accounts audited by the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting held on October 12th, 2021. including the amount claimed and amount allowed thereof, and including bills audited from:

Name of Account	2021	2021		
General Fund	<u>From:</u> G546	To: G593	Amt:	15865.66
Payrolls			Amt:	38809.04
Social Security			Amt:	22837.13
Health Insurance			Amt:	
Other:			Amt:	
Other:			Amt:	
Other:			Amt:	
			Amt:	
Highway	<u>From:</u> H238	To: H250	Amt.	11919.15
Payrolls			Amt.	25938.12
Social Security			Amt.	1880.04
Health Insurance			Amt.	
Other:			Amt.	
Other:			Amt.	
Water	<u>From:</u> W194	To: W215	Amt.	7131.60
Payrolls			Amt.	6081.08
Social Security			Amt.	435.47
Health Insurance			Amt.	
Other:			Amt.	
Other:			Amt.	
GARBAGE DIST.	<u>From:</u> GD42	To: GD46	Amt.	1926.79
Payrolls			Amt.	2665.60
Social Security			Amt.	196.25
Health Insurance			Amt.	
Other:			Amt.	
Other:			Amt.	
WHITEFACE WATER	<u>From:</u> WF01	<u>To:</u> WF01	<u>Amt.</u>	201323.00

Dated: October 12, 2021

Supervisor

Councilman

Councilman

Councilman

_____ Councilman

_____ Town Clerk

Attest: _____

Town Board Work Session

Town of Wilmington

Wednesday, October 28, 2021

4:00 PM-Community Center

Town Board Members Present: Supervisor-Roy Holzer

Councilman-Darin Forbes

Councilwoman-Dawn Stevens

Councilwoman-Paula McGreevy

Councilwoman-Rarilee Conway

Also Present: Nancy Randall-Town Clerk, Tim Follos, Tina L Terry Preston, Michelle Preston

There was a discussion regarding when and how to give the employees an additional \$300.00 for clothing allowance this year. It was decided to give it in check form now so that they can get the needed apparel before winter. As in the past, they must turn in their receipts after purchase.

RESOLUTION 62-21 to approve the additional clothing allowance

MOTION-Darin Forbes SECONDED-Dawn Stevens ALL IN FAVOR

RESOLUTION 63-21 to increase the budget officer's salary by \$300.00

MOTION-Paula McGreevy SECONDED-Dawn Stevens ALL IN FAVOR

Short-Term Rental update- Lake Placid uses a Texas based company to handle their short-term rentals and are pleased with the results. It was discussed that we should consider getting a proposal for our town to determine what the cost would be.

The possibility of hiring a part-time person for the Town Clerk, Court Clerk and help for Doug Nemec was also discussed.

Cannabis Law- Lake Placid has opted out and North Elba looks like they will also. If we decide to opt in, the town should design zoning restrictions beforehand so that they are in place. If we opt out for the time being, we could then hold a public hearing. If a petition was circulated by the public that had sufficient signatures, it could then be put on the ballot for the November 2022 elections.

There have been meetings to discuss the rebranding of the Whiteface Region through ROOST.

This region includes Wilmington, Jay, Upper Jay and AuSable. The participation from the surrounding towns has been sparse.

There will be a Business After Hours held with Mountain Valley Credit Union on November 17th. All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$5.00 per person.

MOTION to adjourn-Paula McGreevy SECONDED-Rari|ee Conway ALL IN FAVOR
