

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR NUNDA TOWN BOARD MEETING

Tuesday June 11, 2024, at 7:00 PM

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PERSONS PRESENT

TOWN BOARD

Supervisor: Merilee Walker

Councilperson: Martha Blair

Councilperson: James Forrester

Councilperson: Michael Hillier - *absent*

Councilperson: Randall Morris

RECORDING CLERK

Tamara McCallum

PERSONNEL

Assessor: Brian Knapp – *absent*

CEO/ZEO: Mark Mullikin

Police Chief: Ryan Dale

Historian: Valerie Griffing

Hwy Superintendent: Tim Cassidy

Planning Board Chairman: Alex Pierce

VISITORS

Beverly Sackett, Michael Kurtz

CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Walker called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Roll call was made with one Councilmember absent.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

All stood as Chief Dale led the pledge.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Due to time constraints, Chief Dale requested to be moved to the beginning of the agenda.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dale discussed his written report. He discussed the different quotes received for a new vehicle. After all were received, the Chief and the Police Commissioners decided that the best value, including resale value, was the 2024 Ram 1500 Crew Cab 4X4 SSV. After graphics, lights, sirens, partition, cage, weapon mounts and truck bed storage system are installed the total cost will be \$53,969.00. The dealer, Main Motorcar, will need a purchase order and a tax-exempt letter prior to order. It is believed that the SUV, if sold to another Police Department with the existing equipment, would bring approximately \$18,000.00. If the equipment were removed the sale value would fall to approximately \$12,000.00. **There was a motion** to proceed with the purchase of the Ram 1500, as shown in the bid from Main Motorcar, made by Councilperson Morris, seconded by Councilperson Blair and carried 4-0. Chief Dale introduced Michael Kurtz as a new recruit and, once sworn in, will be the newest member of the Joint Town/Village Police department. Mr. Kurtz informed the board that he works with Hillside as a Residential Campus Manager, and is their Crisis De-escalation and Suicide Prevention Trainer.

Chief Dale and Mr. Kurtz left the meeting at 7:18 PM

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ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the following meeting:

- Regular Board Meeting of May 14, 2024.
The motion was made by Councilperson Forrester, seconded by Councilperson Blair, and carried 4-0.
- Tri-Board Meeting of May 20, 2024.
The motion was made by Councilperson Blair, seconded by Councilperson Morris, and carried 4-0.

CEO/ZEO

Mark Mullikin reviewed his written report. Permits are coming in on a regular basis. There is a permit and maps he is reviewing to divide the property at 9050 Route 408 into 2 more lots, one will be one acre and the final 19+ acres will be left whole. The Greenway Campground hasn't progressed with the Water/Sewer infrastructure. Mark provided Supervisor Walker with a copy of Local Law #1 of 2023 "Rental Housing Law of the Town of West Sparta." There was discussion on possibly adopting a similar law in Nunda. This would allow for registration and inspections of rental properties. The Board expressed interest in exploring this idea further.

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

The minutes of the Board of Assessment Review were presented and discussed.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

The Board reviewed Valerie Griffing's written report. She is working her way through land records of Barkertown and East Hill and will be touring the Barker/Cox farm this month. She will be participating in the history wagon tours during Americana Day on July 6, 2024. The new addition to the Nunda Historical Society is complete and now open.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Planning Board minutes were presented and discussed. The board will be determining whether a battery energy storage addendum to the current Solar Law is needed. Alex Pierce requested that any pictures of the Town of Nunda that might tell the story of the town be forwarded to him for possible inclusion in the Comprehensive Plan. The impact of Solar farms to the landscape of Livingston County was discussed.

HIGHWAY REPORT

The board reviewed and discussed the Highway Superintendent's written report. An auction estimate from R.G. Mason Auctions was presented and discussed. **There was a motion** to surplus the Town's unused equipment made by Councilperson Morris, seconded by Councilperson Blair and carried 4-0. The equipment will be delivered to the R.G. Mason site in Fillmore on June 29, 2024. Superintendent Cassidy and Councilperson Forrester reviewed the 5 Year Equipment Plan. The Equipment Committee will have a recommendation for next month's meeting. The crew is busy with oil and stone and tree trimming. The Highway School he attended in Ithaca was instructive. It was later noted that the compressor at the Highway Building needed to be serviced as it wasn't working properly.

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SUPERVISOR'S STATEMENT & MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT

Supervisor Walker discussed the Supervisor's statement, ARPA report and the Budget Report for May. She will be talking to BBS Accounting about potential errors made in posting to the ARPA funds and Police funds. Councilperson Forrester mentioned that the town will be replacing some of the trees that were removed in Dalton.

CLERK AND JUSTICE REPORTS

The monthly Town Clerk and Justice Reports were discussed.

ALL REPORTS/ONE MOTION

A motion was made by Councilperson Forrester to accept all reports, seconded by Councilperson Blair, and carried 4-0.

AUDIT BILLS

The original Audited and signed abstracts were as follows:

- ❖ General Fund Vouchers numbered 136-173, in the amount of \$35,920.43 as set forth in abstract number G-6, dated 6/11/24.
- ❖ Highway Fund Vouchers numbered 92-111, in the amount of \$47,493.99 as set forth in abstract number H-6, dated 6/11/24.
- ❖ Police Fund Vouchers numbered 28-32, in the amount of \$528.98 as set forth in abstract number P-6, dated 6/11/24.

Councilperson Forrester questioned voucher #102 on the Highway Abstract. After discussion it was decided to change the fund line from DA5130.4 Machinery Contractual Expense to DB5110.4 Maintenance of Streets Contractual Expense for white marking paint.

A motion was made to approve the amended audited abstracts by Councilperson Forrester, seconded by Councilperson Blair and carried 4-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

The clerk asked if it was possible to donate 6 wooden chairs found in the attic to the 1st New York Dragoons re-enacting club. It was determined that the chairs had no value due to their poor condition. There was a motion that these chairs be given to the 1st New York Dragoons made by Councilperson Forrester, seconded by Councilperson Morris and carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Pickleball Court: The court is now complete. There was a new fund line created; 7110.4 Parks Contractual. The fence was purchased through Lowes as Nunda Lumber does not carry this fencing. Tim Cassidy provided the labor and the gate for the fence. Dana Russell will be contacted about a possible donation. The court was also sealed, but it hasn't dried completely yet. Councilperson Blair will provide the County with a picture and write-up of the court.
- B. Inside/Outside Elevators: The clerk requested information and/or quotes from three local companies; Bison Elevator, Dover Elevator and TK Elevator. Bison Elevator was the only response. The rate sheet from Bison Elevator was presented and discussed. **There was a motion** to contact Bison Elevator Service, Inc. for service to our elevators made by Councilperson Forrester, seconded by Councilperson Morris and carried 4-0.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Alex Pierce mentioned how wonderful the new Military Tribute Banners looked on the light poles in the Village. The Board also praised the work being done by Keshequa Art Teacher, Kevin Raymond and his students. They are painting a new patriotic mural on the Nunda Lumber building.

As there was no further business, **a motion was made** to adjourn the meeting by Councilperson Forrester, seconded by Councilperson Blair, and carried 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tamara McCallum
Nunda Town Clerk