

SENECA FALLS TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARINGS/REORGANIZATIONAL & REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 5, 2021

The Seneca Falls Town Board held three Public Hearings, a Reorganizational and regular monthly Meeting on Tuesday January 5, 2021 at the Seneca Falls Community Center, 35 Water Street, Seneca Falls, NY.

Present were Supervisor Michael Ferrara; Councilpersons Steven Churchill, Dawn Dyson, Doug Avery and David DeLelys (by telephone). Also present were James Spina, Commissioner of Parks & Recreation; Deborah VonWald, Assessor; Joseph Tullo, Chief WWTP Operator; Stuart Peenstra, Police Chief and Peter Baker, Town Engineer. Attorney for the Town Patrick Morrell was available by telephone.

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law #1 – 2021: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to open the Public Hearing relative to proposed Local Law #1 – 2021 which would amend Section 266-2(A) of the Town Code to increase the sliding scale income eligibility for Senior Citizens. Motion carried.

Mr. Ferrara stated hopefully, this would be effective in March, and will have no impact on 2021 taxes. He said the law hasn't been changed in a long time, and hopes it makes it more conducive for our Senior Citizens. Mr. Ferrara asked if there were any comments or questions.

Since there were no comments, a motion was made to close the Public Hearing relative to Local Law #1 – 2021 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law #2 – 2021: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to open the Public Hearing relative to proposed Local Law #2 – 2021 which would amend Section 266-10 (A) of the Town Code to increase the sliding scale income eligibility for persons with disabilities and limited income. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Ferrara stated Local Law #2 is kind of related to Local Law #1 as it increases the income eligibility for persons with disabilities and limited income. He asked if there were any comments.

Since there were no comments, a motion was made to close the Public Hearing relative to Local Law #2 – 2021 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law #3 – 2021: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to open the Public Hearing relative to proposed Local Law #3 – 2021 which would add certain sections to Chapter 158-6 of the Town Code entitled Flood Damage Prevention. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Ferrara stated when the Village dissolved, there was never any provision to take on the flood insurance and designate the Town of Seneca Falls as the recipient of the Flood Insurance Program. He asked if there were any comments or questions.

Since there were no comments, a motion was made to close the Public Hearing relative to Local Law #3 – 2021 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Supervisor Ferrara called the Reorganizational and regular monthly Meeting to order at 6:15 P.M. A roll call of Board Members was taken and all were present (Mr. DeLelys by telephone); the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Reorganizational Meeting:

2021 Appointments:

A motion was made to appoint Patrick Morrell as Attorney for the Town by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys..

Mr. Ferrara stated the Board has received Mr. Morrell's letter which expresses his wish to continue as the Town's Attorney, and says he looks forward to 2021.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to appoint Patrick Morrell as Attorney for the Town was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to appoint Boylan Code as Special Counsel Attorney by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Ferrara stated Boylan Code handles the Town's legal work with SMI Landfill, and they are in the middle of an Article 78 at the present time.

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The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to appoint Boylan Code as Special Counsel Attorney was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Kathryn Lankford as Deputy Town Clerk by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Melissa Howell as Deputy Town Clerk by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Linda Marzan as Deputy Town Clerk/Deputy Tax Collector by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Eileen Schmidt, Ashley VanDoren and Courtney Adams as Court Clerks by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Mr. Ferrara made a motion to appoint Dawn Dyson as Deputy Supervisor, seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Timothy Pagano as Deputy Highway Superintendent by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Brian Devay as Deputy Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint James Varricchio as Deputy Water Treatment Plant Operator by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Fred Peterman as Deputy Water/Sewer Maintainer by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Nicaletta Greer as Assistant to the Zoning Officer by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Melissa Howell as Secretary to Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and Heritage Preservation Commission by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Nicaletta Greer as Registrar of Vital Statistics by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Kathryn Lankford as Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Nicaletta Greer as Records Management Officer by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Dallyn Jenkins as Dog Control Officer by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Charles Luffman, Jr. as a Member of the Recreation Commission, Christina Abbe as Alternate Member of the Recreation Commission, and Stuart Peenstra as an Ex-Officio Member by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Steven Gleason as a Member of the Planning Board by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Kathleen Lutz as an Alternate Member of the Planning Board by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Timothy Hopkins as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

A motion was made to appoint Frank DeJohn as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Mr. Ferrara stated the Board will be advertising for an Alternate Member of the Planning Board and an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. He said if anyone is interested, please let the Town Clerk know.

A motion was made to appoint Charles Genco as a Member of the Heritage Preservation Commission by Michael

Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Ferrara stated the Board will also be advertising for two people to fill the two Alternate positions.

A motion was made to appoint Kay Irland as a Member of the Cemetery Commission by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to appoint Fran Barbieri as Town Historian by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Engineering Firm: Mr. Ferrara stated the Board put out an RFP for Engineering Services, as well as an RFP for Labor Relations Services. RFPs were opened at the December 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting, and he, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Avery are reviewing the proposals and will have a recommendation at the February Meeting. Mr. Ferrara said B&L will continue to do the Town's engineering services, and the Roemer Group will continue the labor relations services for the month of January. He added those appointments will be made at the February Meeting.

A motion was made to appoint the Bonadio Group as Town Auditors by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to conduct a regular monthly Meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to designate the Community Bank, Five Star Bank, M&T Bank, First Niagara Bank and the Lyons National Bank for the deposit of Town monies by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made designating the Finger Lakes Times as the Official Town newspaper by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to adopt the IRS per diem mileage rate of .56 per mile by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to adopt the attached Procurement Policy by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Ferrara stated this Policy was worked on throughout 2020 with the help of Frank Ruzicka and others on the Committee, and it seems to be working very well.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the attached Procurement Policy was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

#### 2021 Committee Assignments:

Mr. Ferrara made the following Committee assignments:

Assessment – Steve Churchill, Chair and Dawn Dyson

Economic Development – Doug Avery, Chair and Michael Ferrara

Recreation – Dawn Dyson, Chair and Dave DeLelys

Highway/Public Works – Michael Ferrara, Chair and Doug Avery

Waste Management – Doug Avery, Chair and Steve Churchill

Personnel – Doug Avery, Chair and Dave DeLelys

Website.IT – Michael Ferrara, Chair and Dawn Dyson

Public Safety – Dave DeLelys, Chair and Steve Churchill

Court – Dave DeLelys, Chair and Steve Churchill

Water/Sewer – Doug Avery, Chair and Michael Ferrara

Mr. Ferrara reminded each Committee person that it is their responsibility to facilitate meetings with the respective Department Head so that you can be the advocate for that department at meetings.

A motion was made to adjourn the Reorganizational Meeting by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to open the regular monthly Meeting by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Petitioners:

Todd Freeman – Information to Residents – Lower Electric Bills: Mr. Freeman was not present. Mr. Ferrara stated Mr. Freeman represents Solar Farms and was going to talk about a plan for residents which would offer a reduction in their electric bill.

Valerie Sandlas – SF Environmental Action Committee Concerns: Valerie Sandlas stated the SF Environmental Action Committee is concerned and appalled that SMI has applied for an expansion with the NYS DEC. She said not only will a 50-acre expansion allow SMI to operate for an additional 15 years, but it will also allow 6,000 tons of garbage a day to continue until 2040. This proposed expansion is a direct violation of Local Law #3-2016 which prohibits solid waste management facilities in Seneca Falls from operating beyond 2025. Seneca Meadows is currently in violation of the Host Community Agreement and Seneca Falls Town Code. Seneca Meadows continues to pollute our air and compromise the health of the Community. She said every effort must be made to protect and preserve Local Law #3.

Mrs. Sandlas requested that the Board pass tonight's resolution asking the DEC to deny SMI's expansion permit. She knows Councilmen DeLelys, Avery and Churchill have been vocal proponents of Local Law #3, and she knows they will continue to support it. She said Supervisor Ferrara, in the past, stated that he supported Local Law #3, and Councilwoman Dyson's position on Local Law #3 has not yet been voiced (at least to her). In addition to the resolution, the Board must contact the DEC and State Officials. Mr. Ferrara told Mrs. Sandlas - as a point of clarification, he respects Local Law #3 as the Law of the Town.

Jim Wade – Vehicles Parked on Sidewalks: Jim Wade stated he is legally blind, and sees very little. He spoke with the Chief the other day about an incident that came up. The Chief mentioned that the Police Department doesn't know about these incidents unless there is a complaint. Mr. Wade said the Chief and his Patrolmen have been excellent in assisting in this. He talked about handicapped zones and said there is a grant program to get a volunteer to go around and identify vehicles parked illegally in handicapped zones.

Mr. Wade stated he and the Chief also discussed people who are not aware you can't park on the sidewalk. He talked about the Finger Lakes Times as a means of notifying people, or volunteers to place pamphlets on cars in violation, or a mail program. Then there is no excuse. Mr. Wade said the law is clear – you will not park on sidewalks. He thanked the Board for any attention they give to this, and offered his support to Mrs. Sandlas.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 19, 2020 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2020 Meeting by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the regular monthly Meeting of December 1, 2020 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Year-End Meeting of December 30, 2020 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Reports:

Dog control Officer: A motion was made to accept the Dog Control Officer's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Zoning Officer: A motion was made to accept Mrs. Rose's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Ferrara stated the Zoning Officer is still on medical leave; Kim Rose has been filling in admirably along with the Town Clerk, and we are dealing with things the best we can.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to accept Mrs. Rose's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Commissioner of Parks & Recreation: A motion was made to accept Mr. Spina's report by Dawn Dyson and seconded by Michael Ferrara.

Mrs. Dyson thanked Mr. Spina for showing them the video of the repairs that need to be done to the roof. Mr. Spina stated they did receive a quite thorough report from Upstate Roofing on the condition of all the roofs at the Community Center. He said some of the roofs are in decent shape, and some are not in great shape. He added they laid out opportunities for simple mitigation so that we can take a little more time to come up with a better fix. Mr. Spina requested to meet with the Committee this month to go through this more formally, and come back in February with suggestions as to how to proceed – maybe go out to bid and get some of these repairs done. Mr. Ferrara suggested that they strongly do that.

Mr. Spina stated Vince's Park reservations will go on as scheduled on January 11<sup>th</sup>. They will start booking for the summer – they have to have reservations so that they can make plans. It will be open from January 11<sup>th</sup> until February 16<sup>th</sup> for Town residents and then it will be open to anybody. Mr. Spina said they are working on a plan to reopen the Fitness Room on a limited basis. He will keep the Board posted.

The above motion made by Dawn Dyson and seconded by Michael Ferrara to accept Mr. Spina's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Highway Superintendent: A motion was made to accept Mr. Peterson's report by Doug Avery and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Avery stated most of the things on his list are maintenance things. There are purchases on the Agenda that will be discussed later as they come up. Christmas tree pickup will be January 19<sup>th</sup>, one day only. Mr. Avery said the Highway and Water and Sewer worked together along with him and Mr. Ferrara on the corner of Black Brook Road behind Gould Pumps; there is signage and the guard rail is coming.

The above motion made by Doug Avery and seconded by Dawn Dyson to accept Mr. Peterson's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Assessir: A motion was made to accept Mrs. Von Wald's report as presented by Steve Churchill and seconded by Michael Ferrara.

Mrs. Von Wald stated she would like to speak to the Board about planning for the next 3,4,5 years for a reval and putting money in the Budget. Mr. Avery said if the Board decided to do it, when can it be done. Mrs. Von Wald responded it's about a 3-year plan; they would have to find someone to help as they would have to address every parcel. After Mrs. Von Wald further explained the process, Mr. Ferrara suggested that she discuss this with Committee and come up with a recommendation - we need to come up with some type of hybrid vs. full expense. He asked Ms. Palumbos if there was anything grant-wise for revals. Ms. Palumbos replied she will look at it, but that is considered maintenance.

After further discussion, Mr. Avery stated putting it off because we don't want to spend the money just makes things worse – there has to be money in the budget for next year. Mr. Ferrara agreed, and requested that Mrs. Von Wald look into it further, and the Board can make a decision in February.

The above motion made by Steve Churchill and seconded by Michael Ferrara to accept Mrs. VonWald's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Attorney for the Town: Mr. Morrell stated Public Hearings were held on the Local Laws, and they are on the Agenda as well as other matters that will be discussed as we go forward.

Town Justices: A motion was made to accept the reports of Judge Lafler and Judge Erway by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. DeLelys welcomed Steven Kelley as the new Judge who started January 1st; Mr. Ferrara seconded that. He asked if Steven Kelley was all set and officially in; Mr. DeLelys replied yes.

Water/Sewer: A motion was made to accept Mr. Tullo's report by Doug Avery and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Avery stated there are new rules from the Environmental Protection Agency regarding copper and lead. Also, another directive from the EPA is they have to have a new written emergency response plan. He said two Workers are in training and two have completed training.

The above motion made by Doug Avery and seconded by Dawn Dyson to accept Mr. Tullo's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Police Chief: A motion was made to accept Chief Peenstra's report by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Michael Ferrara.

Chief Peenstra provided an update on the Fill the Cruiser Toy Event that was held in December with the help of the Finger Lakes Punishers Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club. Over \$3,000 worth of toys was purchased, and they delivered over 20 complete ready to cook meals to families in need. They discovered there was three families who were not able to cook meals, so Wal-Mart graciously provided meals to those three families at their expense. The Chief said it was a huge success this year again. He recognized some local businesses that stepped up and helped them out.

Mr. Avery asked how the Ipad is working; Chief Peenstra replied it is working out very well. He explained the purpose of the Ipad purchased by the Mental Health Services. Brief discussion followed.

The above motion made by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Michael Ferrara to accept Chief Peenstra's report was carried 5 ayes, 0 naye.

Barton & Loguidice: Mr. Baker stated they closed out the Cady Stanton project. Mr. Ferrara asked if Mr. Baker and Mr. Morrell are finalizing the Colacino Agreement; Mr. Baker replied yes.

A motion was made to accept Mr. Baker's report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

MRB Grant Writing Services: A motion was made to accept MRB's Grant Services report by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Ferrara stated we are looking into applying for Main Street Grant. They reached out to participants in the downtown area, including the Sacket District, to see if there is interest. Ms. Palumbos stated they called the Agency relative to the Main Street Grant, and they said they would have a very hard time for the Town's application to become competitive until the DRI is announced and the building renovation work is identified. She said based on their calls and evaluations, it would be the best thing for the Town to wait and apply in the next round. Mr. Avery stated the last time the Town applied for the Main Street Grant, it kind of died because of lack of interest, particularly in the Sackett District. We have enthusiastic owners there now which is great news. Discussion followed.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to accept MRB's Grant Services report was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

SF Development Corporation: Mr. Avery stated there is no word on the DRI – no communities have gotten it and no communities have been able to move forward. He said the SFDC has to be audited and has to file forms with the State; that has been completed. They have not seen the audit, but were told the audit report is okay. Mr. Avery referred to the Staycation Program and said the State wants to move along to other communities along the Canal. It was an exciting and successful program, and they are trying to find a way to have that out here again for summer 2021. Mr. Avery said they are trying to find a new manager for the Farmers Market.

Mr. Ferrara asked if everybody enjoys the music when they are downtown. He said four years ago, the SFDC and the Downtown Business Association got together on this project and bought equipment to provide music downtown. Mr. Ferrara said the cost us about \$890 a year for the music to come through. Mr. Churchill said that can be done for a lot less. Mr. Spina said he would look into it – he didn't know there was a cost involved. He will look into it and let the Board know by the February Meeting.

Other Committee Reports: Mr. Ferrara stated the Feasibility Committee for Town Manager will meet again next Tuesday night, and they are on track to come back to the Board with a recommendation in February or March. The Board Members have been invited to meet with the Committee – two Board Members at a time. Mr. Churchill asked why the Board can't meet altogether. Mrs. Dyson said they didn't want to have a quorum. Mr. Churchill responded it's a public meeting, so a quorum doesn't come into play. Charles Cappellino who is on the Committee said his perception was that it was up to the Board Members as to how they want to present. He didn't think the Committee had a problem with all the Board present at one time. Mr. Morrell stated if there is going to be more than two Members of the Town Board at the same time, it needs to be publicized as a public meeting. After further discussion, Mr. Ferrara requested that Mrs. Dyson talk to Mr. Macaluso to tell him the Board's recommendation is to do this together.

Communications:

A motion was made to receive and file Communications numbered 1 to 9 by Dave DeLelys and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays. Communications numbered 1 to 9 are as follows:

1. Minutes of the Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting of November 24, 2020.
2. Minutes of the Town Planning Board Meeting of November 17, 2020.
3. Certificate of the results of the Bridgeport Sewer District election from Kim Gribneau.
4. Minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting of November 17, 2020.
5. Monthly Reports of all moneys received and disbursed during the months of October 2020 and November 2020 from Town Supervisor.
6. Checks and deposits totaling \$48,764.35 representing Retirees Insurance; copies of Police reports; disability reimbursement; sale of scrap; sale of equipment; dumpster fees; tower rent; burial fees; Town Clerk's October report and background check.
7. Notice providing 30-day advance notice to municipality relative to application for liquor license from Seneca Falls Elks Lodge #992.
8. Checks and deposits totaling \$65,167.15 representing Retirees Insurance; tower rent; refund of prior year expense; disability reimbursement; Town Clerk November report; Oak Street reimbursement (Spectrum); Cemetery Bridge donation; restitution; SRO reimbursement; tote purchase; dumpster fees and Community Center deposit.
9. Notice to Occupants of intention to discontinue service supplied by NYSEG for non-payment of gas and electric bills from NYSEG.

Old Business:

Sale of Surplus Property: Mr. Ferrara stated 60 State Street is contingent on DRI funding, and 10 Fall Street is contingent on some type of development in that area. He said 115 Fall Street has not been finalized as Mr. Morrell and the Buyer's Attorney are in discussions. There was an inspection by the Buyer, and they are looking to have some things done that don't fall under the Town's domain as an Owner of the Condo.

Town Demands Related to SMI License to Operate Landfill: Mr. Morrel stated there has been no change since the last Meeting. He added the letter went out, and the only response they received is the publicity surrounding their application to DEC.

Bayard Street Culvert: Mr. Ferrara stated there is funding that has become available for certain things. He was in contact with the NYS Canal Corporation Engineer who provided a lot of connections and possible grants. He asked if Canal Corporation is taking responsibility for the Culvert, and the Engineer said it's not going to happen. He did say because of the whole situation and the muddy water, he would help to facilitate the securing of grants as best he could. Mr. Ferrara said there is no need to apply for grants if the Board is not going to do anything about the Culvert.

Ms. Palumbos said two potential grants that could assist this project would be Bridge New York which is a grant program through the DOT. This grant was expected to come out, but it didn't come out, and now, there is about a year and one-half delay. The second program is available now and usually comes out in May - it is CDBG. Ms. Palumbos said it would be difficult to apply for an implementation grant for this round. We would have to do an income survey in that area; if that area has a low or moderate income less than 51%, they would qualify for that funding. She added these are opportunities that are coming down the road. Mr. Churchill asked how much money is involved – what is the size of the grants. Ms. Palumbos replied the CDBG can be upwards to \$1 million; she doesn't recall what Bridge NY is. Mr. Baker stated in 2018, Bridge NY included culverts, and he thinks it was 50% of the project cost. Mr. Ferrara stated if the Board doesn't make a decision tonight, is February too late for some of these grants. Mr. Baker replied Bridge NY has not been announced yet; it's a pretty straight forward application; CDBG is more involved. Ms. Palumbos stated the Town should not apply for the CDBG now; it's going to come up again next year. She added if the Town applies for Bridge NY in February and they know you have Bridge NY, and then apply for CDBG, it puts the Town in a much better position. Discussion followed.

Mr. Churchill referred to the culvert and said the State owns the south side and the north side; it's their retention pond, it's their water, and it's their debris that they are allowing to essentially flow through there. They caused the damage, if it's truly damaged – they own the fix – that's where he stands. He thinks any Court of law will tell you that. Mr. Ferrara stated if the majority of the Board feels it wants to pursue legal claim against the State, then that needs to happen – it would not be his recommendation. Mr. Churchill said it's an option – he thinks it's their responsibility. Mr. DeLelys said this has been going on a long time. He would like to see the State come across with something. After further discussion, Mr. Ferrara said he will have a resolution in February to basically move forward and repair the culvert and the Board can vote on it. He mentioned that in his initial discussion with David Hou, he wasn't real optimistic. He will reach out to Mr. Hou again.

New Business:

Approval of Special Events: There were none.

Authorize Town Supervisor to Invest Town Monies: A motion was made authorizing the Town Supervisor to invest Town monies by Doug Avery and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Delegate & Alternate Delegate – Association of Towns Meeting: Mr. Ferrara mentioned that the Association of Towns will be virtual this year. We need a Delegate and Alternate Delegate. After brief discussion, Mr. Avery was appointed as Delegate and Mr. Ferrara was appointed Alternate Delegate.

Proposed Local Law #1 – 2021: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was duly held on January 5, 2021 at the Seneca Falls Recreation Center and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and consideration of the comments submitted by the Town residents and other interested parties, the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls finds it in the best interest of the Town to adopt said Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls hereby adopts said Local Law #1 entitled “A Local Law to amend Section 266-2(A) of the Code of the Town of Seneca Falls to Increase the Sliding Scale Income Eligibility for Senior Citizens under Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law”, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of the Meeting and in the Local Laws of the Town of Seneca Falls, and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of the State of New York.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Proposed Local Law #2 – 2021: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was duly held on January 5, 2021 at the Seneca Falls Recreation Center and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and consideration of the comments submitted by the Town residents and other interested parties, the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls finds it in the best interest of the Town to adopt said Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls hereby adopts said Local Law #2 entitled “A Local Law to Amend Section 266-10(A) of the Code of the Town of Seneca Falls to Increase the Sliding Scale Income Eligibility for Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income under Section 459-C of the Real Property Tax Law”, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of the Meeting and in the Local Laws of the Town of Seneca Falls, and to give notice of adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of the State of New York.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Proposed Local Law #3 – 2021: A motion was made for the Town Board to act as Lead Agency for SEQR relative to Local Law #3 – 2021 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

The Board reviewed Part 2, Impact Assessment, of SEQR. Mr. Morrell stated since the Board did not identify any impacts that would have been moderate or large, it would be appropriate for the Board to make a finding that adoption of Local Law #3 would not have the potential for any significant adverse environmental impact.

A motion was made to declare a negative declaration relative to the adoption of Local Law #3 – 2021 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was duly held on January 5, 2021 at the Seneca Falls Recreation Center and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and



WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) it has been determined by the Town Board that adoption of said proposed Local Law would be an Unlisted Action and has been determined not to have a significant adverse impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and consideration of the comments submitted by Town residents and other interested parties, the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls finds it in the best interest of the Town to adopt said Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls hereby adopts said Local Law #3 entitled "A Local Law to add certain Sections to Chapter 158-6 of the Seneca Falls Town Code entitled Flood Damage Prevention, by adding Sections 158-6((A)(6), (7) & (8)", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part of this resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to enter said Local Law in the minutes of this Meeting and in the Local Laws of the Town of Seneca Falls, and to give due notice of the adoption of said Local Law to the Secretary of the State of New York.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

SFPD – Approval to Order Two Vehicle: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Police Department seeks approval from the Town Board to authorize Enterprise Fleet Management to factory order two 2021 budgeted approved vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the two marked vehicles will replace two current units that have met their recommended life expectancy and are suggested by Enterprise Fleet Management to bring the most cost-effective return once approved for surplus; and

WHEREAS, the agreement between Enterprise and the Town of Seneca Falls will be a lease of these two vehicles and does not require initial vehicle payment until the vehicles are received. Once ordered from the Ford factory, the estimated arrival for these vehicles is ten months.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Police Department sign an agreement with Enterprise to order two marked 2021 Ford Police Utility vehicles to replace two aging patrol vehicles currently in the fleet.

Chief Peenstra stated these two vehicles will be replacing two vehicles, so they are not adding to the fleet – they are just replacing older vehicles.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the above Resolution authorizing the Police Department to order two vehicles was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Authorize Supervisor to Sign NYSEG Excavation Permit: A motion was made authorizing the Town Supervisor to sign the NYSEG excavation permit by Dawn Dyson and seconded by Michael Ferrara. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Christmas Tree Pickup: Mr. Avery announced earlier that it will be January 19<sup>th</sup>, one day only.

Approve Justice Court Audit for Year 2019: A motion was made to approve the Justice Court Audit for the Year 2019 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Ferrara stated the Audit was done by the Bonadio Group, and it is required that it be made part of the minutes; everything was in order with the Court System.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to approve the Justice Court Audit was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Adopt Computer/Internet Use Policy: A motion was made to adopt the Computer/Internet Use Policy by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson.

Mr. Ferrara stated the policy that was created before he was Supervisor was not accepted by the Board. He worked on it with Chief Peenstra, and it was approved by Mr. Morrell. He is working on changes in the Handbook, and this will be part of that. Mr. Avery pointed out that in #3, the last part of the sentence should be changed (other than legitimate learning purposes). Mr. Ferrara said he is right - it should be "other than legitimate Town business". Mr. Avery referred to page 3, under Privilege, it should read "The use of the Town Internet is a privilege, not a right, and ---". Mr. Ferrara said he would make the changes.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the Computer/Internet Use Policy with the changes was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Establish Reserve Account – Repair of Restvale Cemetery Bridge: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Restvale Cemetery Bridge is in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, there are people in the Community who wish to donate to help repair the Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Town needs to set aside in a reserve these funds for that specific use.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby establish a reserve account (A230R) for the repair of the Restvale Cemetery Bridge.

Mr. Ferrara stated Mrs. Irland started a campaign to restore an old 1800s bridge that crosses the ravine at Restvale Cemetery. It's an expensive ordeal, and she is working on it – if anybody can do it, she can raise funds.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded Doug Avery to adopt the above resolution establishing a Reserve Account for repair of the Bridge at Restvale Cemetery was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Modify 2020 Sewer Budget for Pickup Truck: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to approve modifying the 2020 Sewer Budget to apply \$7,816.00 from sale of equipment on 10/20/2020 by Auctions International to G8120.203 Pickup to cover the cost of the pickup truck in excess of Budget.

Mr. Tullo stated they sold the old pickup truck for \$11,000, and took the \$7,816 from that to cover the cost of the new pickup truck. He added it looks like we are over budget, but we are not. Mr. Churchill said this is really a transfer from one line item to another.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to approve modifying the 2020 Sewer Budget for the pickup truck was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Change All Street Lighting to LED Through NYSEG Program: A motion was made to start the process to change the street lighting to LED through the NYSEG Program at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys.

Mr. Ferrara stated he has been in contact with NYSEG who has a program available to switch over our lights to LED which are more energy efficient. The Town's initial cost would be about \$10,000; the bottom line is it's a significant cost savings, and we would regain the \$10,000 within six months of electric bills. Ms. Palumbos said if the Town replaces 50% or more of streetlights, it will also count when applying to NYSERDA. Mr. Ferrara mentioned that they have been working with Ms. Palumbos on an energy grant for all of our energy needs.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to start the process to change street lighting to LED through the NYSEG Program was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Transfer Funds to Supervisor Equipment Line for Fireproof Filing Cabinet: A motion was made to transfer funds to the Supervisor Equipment Line for the purchase of a fireproof filing cabinet at a cost not to exceed \$2,500 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery.

Mr. Ferrara stated they are out of room in the fireproof filing cabinet they have for personnel folders, and there is no money allocated for that in the Supervisor's Budget; they have two quotes and are waiting for a third.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to transfer funds to the Supervisor Equipment Line for purchase of a fireproof filing cabinet was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Highway – Purchase Grasshopper Mower for Cemetery: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department would like to purchase a Grasshopper model 225 with 49-inch mower deck for the Cemetery. We have two quotes – Addy's Power Equipment for \$8,978.31, and Martin's Outdoor Power Equipment for \$9,193.00; and

WHEREAS, this mower will replace the old one that we have now. This mower is used for mowing at the cemeteries we take care of. The old mower will be sold on Auctions International pending Board approval, and money put back into the Highway equipment fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the purchase of a Grasshopper Model 225 from Addy's Power Equipment for \$8,978.31 as they are the low bidder. This is a budgeted item for 2021.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Highway – Purchase Milling Attachment from Bobcat: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by

Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department would like to purchase an 18-inch milling attachment for the Bobcat from the Bobcat of the Finger Lakes for \$13,061.36 under NYS Contract; and

WHEREAS, this milling attachment will replace the old one which we have right now. We use this attachment for milling blacktop, catch basins, manholes, etc. The old milling attachment will be sold on Auctions International pending Board approval and money put back into the Highway equipment fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the purchase of a Bobcat 18-inch milling attachment from Bobcat of the Finger Lakes for \$13,061.36 under NYS Contract. This is budgeted for 2021.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Highway - Purchase 22-Foot Tilt Bed Trailer: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department would like to purchase a 22-foot tilt bed trailer. There were two bids – PJ Trailers for \$6,800.00 and Seneca Farm and Home for \$6,750.00. We would like to purchase the trailer from PJ Trailers for \$6,800.00 as we already have two of the PJ Trailers; all parts we need are all the same, and the trailer is built stronger; and

WHEREAS, this trailer will replace the old one we have right now. This trailer is used for hauling dumpsters to residents of the Town. The old trailer will be sold on Auctions International pending Board approval, and money put back into the Highway equipment fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the purchase of a 22-foot tilt bed trailer for \$6,800.00. This is budgeted for 2021.

Mr. Ferrara said he checked with Mr. Morrell, and even though there is a \$50.00 discrepancy, there is a provision in the Procurement Policy based on the fact that he will be using the parts from the old trailer for the new trailer as they are all the same parts. Mr. Avery said that's the reason for the \$50.00 more – it's a better trailer and has the same parts as the other trailers.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the above resolution authorizing the purchase of a 22-foot tilt bed trailer was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Resolution – Request DEC Deny SMI's Permit Request for Expansion: A motion was made by Steve Churchill and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, it has recently come to light that Seneca Meadows, Inc., in July of 2020, submitted an application to the NYS DEC for a site expansion known as the Valley Infill Expansion, that would accommodate the disposal of waste for an additional 50 years; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca Falls Town Council in 2016 passed Local Law #3 banning the disposal of waste within the Town of Seneca Falls beyond December 31, 2025.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Council moves to request that the NYS DEC respect Seneca Falls Town Law and move swiftly to dismiss Seneca Meadows July 2020 application for expansion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk of the Board forward a copy of this resolution and a copy of Local Law #3 of 2016 to Senator Pam Helming, Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan, Assemblyman Philip Palmesano, the Commissioner of the NYS DEC Basil Segos, the Permit Administrator for Region 8 of the NYS DEC and the Seneca County Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Churchill thinks the resolution speaks for itself, and he thinks it's an appropriate thing to ask the DEC not consider the application. Mr. Avery agreed with Mr. Churchill, and said if they are given an expansion, it allows them another twelve years of lifespan and another 6,000 tons per day which is another 26,280 million tons. He said the Town is surrounded by municipalities for whom the Landfill is not their lifeline – we have to start getting away from this. He added we cannot allow ourselves with another twelve more years of garbage from New York City being dumped on our Community. Mr. Avery said we cannot be the garbage answer for New York State any longer – we are right now, and it has to stop.

The above motion made by Steve Churchill and seconded by Doug Avery to request that the DEC deny SMI's Permit request for expansion was carried 3 ayes, 2 nays; Supervisor Ferrara and Councilwoman Dyson with the dissenting votes.

Mr. Ferrara said he thinks it's appropriate on his part to let you know why he voted no. He said the Town has a Local Law on the books that is going to close the Landfill in 2025. If that's the case, this is redundant. His perspective is there are a lot of bigger issues that the Board has to focus on, and there is plenty of time to focus on 2025 and the closure of the Landfill. Mr. Ferrara said if Local Law #3 is still on the books in 2025, someone is going to say that Landfill is going to close. His personal opinion is that he doesn't think the State of New York

will ever let that Landfill close (in his lifetime), unfortunately. He wishes it wasn't there, but it is there. Until someone comes up with a solution on how to get rid of solid waste, then the Landfill is a necessary evil. Mr. Ferrara reminded everybody that the Board has not issued SMI a permit for the 2020 year – as far as he knows, they are still collecting garbage.

Mr. Ferrara said Mr. Churchill was going to contact the DEC and give the Board some type of report as to why the DEC continues to allow Seneca Meadows to operate when they don't have a permit from the Town and the smell is an issue. Mr. Churchill said he thinks the Board should charge David Hou to contact the DEC on the Town's behalf, and ask how the Board should be proceeding given the expansion application – he thinks it should be done through Counsel. Mr. Churchill asked Mr. Ferrara – how big is too big? Mr. Ferrara replied when they run out of air space and the DEC and the EPA closes them down. Mr. Churchill said enough is enough – the DEC permit ends in 2025 and the Local Law on the books says it has to close.

Mr. Ferrara said he has been emphasizing that we need to plan for the closure of the Landfill; a year has gone by and there is no planning for the closure. The people of Seneca Falls have to be informed as to what's going to happen with their garbage; how is it going to be handled and how much is it going to cost; what is the impact on taxes – all that has to be examined and presented so that people can make an educated decision. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Von Wald asked if the Local Law covers Scepter – all smells or just the Landfill; Mr. Ferrara replied there are Town codes about odor. Mrs. Von Wald said she smells Scepter every night; nobody else brings up Scepter at these meetings. Mr. Ferrara said he gets complaints about Scepter all the time.

Mr. Ferrara said he will contact the Town's Environmental Attorney and set up another Meeting with the Board. Further discussion followed.

Kingdom Road Sewer Main: Mr. Ferrara stated the Board had an Informational Meeting regarding the Kingdom Road Sewer Main, and said it would come back in January to start making some decisions. There were a couple of proposals, and the one recommended by the Engineers was the south side of Bayard Street.

A motion was made authorizing the Town Engineer to move forward with the plan to bring the sewer line in on the south side of W. Bayard Street by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara.

Mr. Churchill stated the sewer is flowing today from wherever to our Sewer Treatment Plant, and it's not going down any new line. This whole thing has been in play for 4-5 years. He said if it's working today, what are we really fixing. Rt, 318 is not developing like everybody thought it would. Mr. Churchill asked – are the sewer lines overwhelmed, and if they are, where is the evidence of that – do we really need to do it. Mr. Avery replied the sewage is coming in, but the system we have in place is not working. Every time we get a big rain event, we get overflow at the Ovid Street bridge. It is also over-taxing the Fall Street gravity sewers and the pump station.

Mr. Baker stated the Kingdom Road force main is 1960s vintage and has failed a few times; it's really on its last leg. Mr. Tullo mentioned that that pipe by Rumsey and Fall Street is eroding internally. Mr. Churchill asked if it can be relined; Mr. Tullo replied that he doesn't think it's big enough. Mr. Baker added the cost and impacts of fixing it is significant. Also, there could be more development on Routes 318 and 414; if so, it would not have the capacity to handle new users. Mr. Churchill asked about horizontal drilling along Fall Street; Mr. Baker replied it would be extremely expensive. Mr. Churchill asked how much will it cost; Mr. Ferrara replied about \$1.5 million. Mr. Churchill said he would like to know where the money is coming from; Mr. Ferrara replied the Town doesn't know what grants it can get. Ms. Palumbos mentioned some of the grant opportunities the Town may be eligible for. Mr. Churchill asked if we can wait and see if we get some money before we move forward on the project. Mr. Avery suggested moving forward with the project because there are a lot of things that need to happen before the line is installed. Further lengthy discussion followed.

Mr. Churchill made a motion to table action on the project until February when the decision on an engineering firm is made. Since there was no second to Mr. Churchill's motion, the motion failed.

The above motion made by Doug Avery and seconded by Michael Ferrara authorizing the Town Engineer to move forward with the plan to bring the sewer line in on the south side of W. Bayard Street was carried 4 ayes, 1 nay; Councilman Churchill with the dissenting vote.

Mr. Ferrara stated he will meet with B&L. He noted the design portion of this project, or any project, will be solicited.

W/S – Purchase Repair Parts for Services: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Water/Wastewater Department needs to purchase repair parts for water services; and  
WHEREAS, we received two bids for the parts with the low bidder being T.Mina Supply in Rochester, NY for \$3,283.34.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the purchase of these parts from T.Mina Supply of Rochester, NY for \$3,283.34.

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

W/S – Purchase Boring Tool: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Water/Wastewater Department purchased a Grundomat boring tool; and  
WHEREAS, the Department lost their boring tool under Gravel Road due to poor soil conditions; and  
WHEREAS, we received three bids for the boring tool with the low bidder being TT Technologies in Aurora, Illinois for \$5,688.85.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the purchase of this boring tool from TT Technologies for \$5,688.85.

Mr. Ferrara stated this was an attempt to shoot the boring tool underneath the road so that you don't have to dig up the road – they were trying to connect a customer to our water service and they lost it. Mr. Tullo said they needed another one – this one is a little bigger. They need this one for emergencies. Mr. Churchill asked if this comes out of budgeted funds; Mr. Tullo replied it was not budgeted for, but he checked with Mrs. Warfel and there is plenty of money in reserves.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the above resolution authorizing the purchase of a boring tool was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

W/S – Purchase F250 Pickup Truck: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Water/Wastewater Department would like to purchase a F250 pickup truck with utility bed and plow; and

WHEREAS, the Department will replace the 2010 Colorado (to be placed on Auctions International) with 110,000 miles on it with this purchase; and

WHEREAS, we received two bids from the State Bid concession program from Sheppard Ford of Canandaigua and Van Bortel Ford of East Rochester. Van Bortel Ford was the low bidder at \$42,586.50.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the purchase of this truck from Van Bortel Ford for \$42,586.50.

Mr. Ferrara asked if the local Ford dealer is on the list; Mr. Tullo replied no. Mr. Ferrara asked if Mr. Tullo checked with them; Mr. Tullo replied yes - they could not even come close. Mr. Churchill asked if this is fully budgeted; Mr. Tullo replied yes, it is fully budgeted, but the money from the other truck will go into the pickup line or equipment.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to adopt the above resolution authorizing the purchase of the pickup truck was carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Advertise for Alternate Positions on Planning, ZBA and HPC: A motion was made authorizing the Town Clerk to advertise for the Alternate positions as Members of the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals and Heritage Preservation Commission by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 nays.

Set Public Hearing – Proposed Local Law #4 – 2021: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls believes that it would be advantageous to the Town to amend the Town Code as it relates to the parking of motor vehicles along West Bayard Street in the area of its intersection with Bridge Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law #4 of the year 2021 entitled "Local Law Amending Section 280-18 of the Seneca Falls Town Code" be and the same is hereby introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Seneca Falls, NY; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of the aforesaid proposed local law be laid upon the desks of each Member of the Town Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid proposed local law be referred to the Town's Highway

Superintendent and Police Chief for review and recommendations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on said proposed local law at 6:00 P.M. on February 2, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk publish or cause to be published a notice of said Public Hearing in the official newspaper of the Town at least ten (10) days prior thereto.

Mr. Morrell stated in speaking with the Highway Superintendent and Police Chief, there are a couple of things in that same Section that we can clean up by simply removing some language regarding Heath Street, and Oak Street along the railroad tracks. He said there will be a further version of this local law amending this Section that will be distributed to the Board Members.

Mr. Ferrara stated this pertains to the new businesses that opened in the Sackett District. It is municipal parking in front of Bayard Street Donuts and Pedulla Liquor on the Bayard Street side; also, going down Bayard Street in front of Sackett Street Market. It's unlimited parking and people who live in the apartments have been parking there. The law is proposing 30-minute parking in front of Bayard Street Donuts and Pedulla, and 2-hour parking in front of Sackett Street Market.

Mr. Avery stated in the Highway Committee Meeting, it was suggested to look at Bridge Street as well – maybe there needs to be a 1-hour limit between Bridge Street and the Canal. He added we should clean up the parking in the Sackett District all at once while the Board is doing it. Mr. Ferrara requested that the Chief and Mr. Avery consult with Mr. Morrell on this.

It was mentioned that the Board may want to consider employees working at these businesses. Mr. Avery said the restaurant may say the employees need to park somewhere else because customers have to have some parking. Chief Peenstra stated a few years ago, there was a mutual agreement with the Hall of Fame that the lot was going to be a municipal lot. There will also be parking there for employees.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the above resolution setting a Public Hearing for proposed Local Law #4 -2021 was carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Any Other New Business:

Mr. Ferrara requested that the Board review the Code Red information he gave them regarding some notification system for residents in case of an emergency. It's very self-explanatory and very inexpensive.

Mr. Ferrara said that he, Mr. Avery and Mr. Tullo have been working with a couple of vendors relative to replacing water meters to update our technology. Ms. Palumbos stated there is a green infrastructure program; they came out with funding for water meters. She has a call with the Agency tomorrow to start talking about that and getting vendor quotes to include that and maybe get some funding. Mr. Avery talked to two vendors, and both have shown them there will be savings for the Town. After discussion, Mr. Ferrara stated that he, Mr. Avery and Mr. Tullo will pick a vendor and share with the Board Members exactly what they are talking about.

Water/Sewer Credits: A motion was made to approve the Water/Sewer credits in the amount of \$2,860.56 as per Memo dated January 5, 2021 by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Payment of Bills:

A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dave DeLelys to approve and order paid the following bills:

General Fund - \$109,413.64 (Abstract #1)	Recreation Fund - \$14,445.06 (Abstract #1)
Miscellaneous Fund - \$1,079.00 (Abstract #1)	Vince's Park Fund - \$311.16 (Abstract #1)
Highway Fund - \$10,249.24 (Abstract #1)	Sewer Fund - \$13,137.26 (Abstract #1)
Water Fund - \$4,991.97 (Abstract #1)	

No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves

Being there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the Meeting by Doug Avery and seconded by Dave DeLelys. No questions. Motion carried 5 ayes, 0 naves.

Meeting adjourned at 9:09 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

NICALETTA J. GREER  
Town Clerk

