

The Seneca Falls Town Board held a Year-End Meeting on Wednesday, December 29, 2021 in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 130 Ovid Street, Seneca Falls.

Present were Supervisor Michael Ferrara and Councilpersons Douglas Avery, Steven Churchill and Dawn Dyson (by phone). Also present was Patrick Morrell, Attorney for the Town.

Supervisor Ferrara called the Year-End Meeting to order at 12:00 Noon. A roll call of Board Members was taken and Councilman DeLelys was absent from the Meeting; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

New Business:

Approve Budget Modifications: A motion was made to approve the attached Budget Modifications for the month of December 2021 by Doug Avery and seconded by Steve Churchill. Motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Resolution – Additional Expenditures for Ripples of Change Statute: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there were additional expenditures not covered by the grant received from the Federal Government for the Ripples of Change Statute; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has authorized payment of these expenditures.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Principal Account Clerk is directed to cover these expenditures through a transfer of funds from the General Fund Savings (A599) by preparing budget modification to interfund transfer from the General Fund to the Ripples of Change Fund (H3) with an increase to the receipts and expenditures of the H3 Fund to cover these expenditures.

Mr. Churchill asked if there was a dollar amount; Mr. Ferrara said he believes it is \$1,200. Mr. Churchill said the Town wasn't supposed to spend anything additional on this; Mr. Ferrara agreed with Mr. Churchill 100%. He sent a message to Greg Zellers and Joel Murney-Karsten about this and hasn't heard back yet. He added so many things came through that were over budget, such as the construction part – he is checking on that. Mr. Churchill asked if there was money in the budget to do the move to Peoples Park; Mr. Ferrara replied there is no money left – that will be another issue when that happens. Mr. Avery stated he was sorry it went over budget, but with the responses that the statute has gotten, the Town got a lot for \$1,200.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the above resolution approving additional expenditures for the Ripples of Change Statute was carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Recreation Resolution – Appoint Asst. Recreation Director: A motion was made by Steve Churchill and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, there is a current vacant position of Assistant Recreation Director; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Seneca Falls Town Board authorized filling the vacant full time position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board does appoint Justin Hlywa to the position of Assistant Recreation Director at 40 hours per week and at a starting salary of \$38,027 per year, with a start date of January 3, 2022.

Mr. Ferrara noted that interviews were conducted and there were two legitimate applicants. Final decision was left to Mrs. Jones as she will be the supervisor. He said Mr. Hlywa has worked for the Recreation Dept. before.

The above motion made by Steve Churchill and seconded by Dawn Dyson to adopt the above resolution appointing Justin Hlywa as Assistant Recreation Director was carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Highway Resolution – Appoint MEO: A motion was made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department would like to hire a motor equipment operator to replace the one that is leaving; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department will use this person to perform all the duties of a motor equipment operator. This gentleman has worked for the Highway Department in this position on a temporary basis and is qualified to do the job. This will make an easy transition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Seneca Falls Town Board does hereby authorize the hiring of Brian Jensen as a Motor Equipment Operator beginning January 1, 2022 at \$21.00 an hour.

Mr. Avery mentioned that there were two positions; he will be down one more. Mr. Peterson said that's correct. He talked to the County about the other position.

The above motion made by Michael Ferrara and seconded by Doug Avery to adopt the above resolution to appoint Brian Jensen as motor equipment operator for the Highway Department was carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Payment of Bills:

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

General Fund - \$498,640.53 (Abstract #13)

Recreation Fund - \$5,844.12 (Abstract #13)

Miscellaneous Fund - \$31,028.29 (Abstract #13)

Vince's Park Fund - \$2,474.14 (Abstract #13)

Highway Fund - \$54,353.31 (Abstract #13)

Sewer Fund - \$81,909.17 (Abstract #13)

Water Fund - \$220,225.42 (Abstract #13)

No questions. Motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Being there was no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the Meeting by Doug Avery and seconded by Dawn Dyson. No questions. Motion carried 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

NICALETTA J. GREER
Town Clerk

The Seneca Falls Town Board held a Reorganizational and regular monthly Meeting on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 130 Ovid Street.

Present were Supervisor Michael Ferrara; Councilpersons Kaitlyn Laskoski; Steven Churchill and Frank Sinicropi. Also present were Patrick Morrell, Attorney for the Town; Dean Zettlemoyer, Interim Zoning Officer; Deborah VonWald, Assessor; Stuart Peenstra, Police Chief; Joseph Tullo, Chief WWTP Operator; Mary Jones, Interim Recreation Director and Peter Baker, Town Engineer.

Supervisor Ferrara called the Reorganizational and regular monthly Meeting to order at 6:10 P.M. A roll call of Board Members was taken and Councilwoman Dyson was absent from the Meeting; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Reorganizational Meeting:

2022 Appointments: A motion was made by Frank Sinicropi and seconded by Kaitlyn Laskoski to accept the following 2022 appointments:

Attorney for the Town: Patrick Morrell

Special Counsel Attorney: Boylan Code

Labor Relations Attorney: Colin Leonard, Bond, Schoenick & King

Town Engineering Firm: Barton & Loguidice

Drainage Engineers: MRB Group

Financial Consultant: Bernard P. Donegan

Grant Writing Services: MRB Group

Deputy Town Clerks: Kathryn Lankford, Linda Marzan and Melissa Howell

Deputy Tax Collector: Linda Marzan

Court Clerks: Ashley VanDoren, Courtney Adams and Lisa Hochadel

Deputy Supervisor: Frank Sinicropi

Deputy Highway Superintendent: Timothy Pagano

