

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
ONE CANAL STREET
SHERBURNE, NY 13460
December 13, 2023**

Regular meeting for the Sherburne Town Board was held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 in the Town Office. Present: Supervisor Charles Mastro, Councilmembers: Glen Bagnall, Dave Wern, Ed Meyer, Rowena Krum, Hwy Superintendent Chase Winton, and Town Clerk McDaniel. Guests: Mike Cole, Jim Webb, Duane Wilcox, Joann Smith, Gates-Cole Insurance.

► **MIKE COLE – HOMETOWN HEROES BANNER PROGRAM**

Mike Cole was present to discuss the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. The Sherburne American Legion post 876 and the village of the Sherburne-Earlville School district are partnering to initiate this banner program. This program will recognize Sherburne-Earlville area veterans, both living and deceased. Each banner will honor a Sherburne-Earlville serviceperson and will include their name, branch of service, years served and photo if available. All banners will be in Sherburne at the start of the program. The program is planning to launch by Flag Day June 14, 2024. The banners will not be hung during the winter time and will come down by Veterans Day.

► **JOANN SMITH GATES COLE INSURANCE**

Joann Smith from Gates Cole Insurance was present to discuss 2024 insurance for the town. A review of the insurance was conducted. Property values have gone up. So the insurance has increased 3 – 4%. Glatfelter is no longer providing the cyber insurance at no cost. Glatfelter will now charge \$3,000.00 a year for cyber insurance with a \$1,000.00 deductible. AIG insurance will charge \$1,068.00 a year with a deductible of \$25,000.00. The town board’s consensus was to insure with Glatfelter for cyber insurance. Joann will be review the insurance before finalized.

► **CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT**

Matt Gladstone, Code Enforcement Officer reported on the following: 513 Granville Hill Road. Property mostly cleaned up. Rexford Falls Property – the structure has been torn down. Camper issue next to 8520 State Route 12 – Matt spoke to owner and the campers are moved for storage for winter. The stay in the campers during the summer.

► **JIM WEBB-LAND PURCHSE SALT SHED**

Village sent a letter to the town, basically opposing the purchase of the property owned by Jim Webb at the old Cotton Mill. Supervisor Mastro has been in contact with Town Attorney Dylan Harris. Jim Webb had another possibility for a site, old Curtis Lumber Store on 23. Jim Webb addressed board about the warehouse and lumber yard area.

A new possible site has been discussed with the board from another seller and the board ascertained that the town needs to look at this additional property before making any decisions.

► **APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 2023 MINUTES**

Motion by Krum and seconded by Meyer to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2023 Town Board meeting. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **SUPERVISOR’S REPORT, HIGHWAY REPORT & TOWN CLERK’S REPORT**

- a. Supervisor’s Report
- b. Town Clerk’s Report
- c. Code Enforcement Report (see above)
- d. Highway Report.

Hwy Superintendent Chase Winton reported on the following: Paperwork has been closed on the Pleasant Valley Road Project. Supervisor Mastro has signed all necessary paperwork. The final engineering invoices for this project were submitted this month. Discussed the application for the Pleasant Valley Creek Culvert Bridge NY project.

Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Wern to approve all of the above reports. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. SPCA

Micro scanner agreement. SPCA will be giving Carol Lawrence, DCO a microchip scanner at no cost to the town. Motion by Meyer and seconded by Bagnall to authorize Supervisor Mastro to sign this Micro scanner Agreement. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

- b. Don Westcott \$5,000.00 check

Received check for \$5,000.00 from Don Westcott for donation to Rexford Falls Road.

- c. Mortgage Tax

Mortgage Tax for 4/1/2023 – 9/30/2023 was \$11,056.57.

- d. Fire and Ambulance Contracts Village of Sherburne

Motion by Meyer and seconded by Wern to authorize Supervisor Mastro to sign the fire and ambulance contracts with the Village of Sherburne. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

e. Budget Transfer

BE IT RESOLVED upon Motion by Krum and seconded by Bagnall to approve the proposed Town of Sherburne Transfer for December 2023 submitted by Accounts Manager April Ray as follows: Town General to (New Line) Salt Shed Reserve, Amount: \$150,000.00. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

f. Organizational Meeting.

Motion by Wern and seconded Meyer to hold the Organizational Meeting for 2024 on January 10, 2024. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

▶ **OLD BUSINESS**

a. Union Negotiations

Union discussed.

b. Broadband

Town of Columbus and Town of Sherburne need to have an agreement with the Village for the broadband. Broadband discussed further and the process.

▶ **DECEMBER 2023 TOWN BILLS**

Motion by Wern and seconded by Meyer to approve the December 2023 bills. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried. Councilmember Meyer to approve January bills.

▶ **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Councilmember Meyer - Village of Earlville and Village of Sherburne – no matters to report. Wern – Historic Park- no matters to report; Krum – Planning Board – No matters to discuss. Regular meeting adjourned at 8:35

▶ **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Wern and seconded by Meyer to enter into Executive Session. Executive Session held at 8:37 pm. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

Motion by Wern and seconded by Meyer to adjourn Executive Session. Executive Session adjourned at 9:12 pm. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Wern to pursue a contract for the purchase of 5 acres of land from the Sherburne Quarter Cemetery for the Hwy Salt Shed. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McDaniel