

**TOWN BOARD MEETING  
ONE CANAL STREET  
SHERBURNE, NY 13460  
February 14, 2024**

Regular meeting for the Sherburne Town Board was held on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 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: Duane Wilcox, Anna Rinaldo.

► **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2024 MINUTES**

Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Krum to approve the January 10, 2024 minutes. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **SUPERVISOR’S REPORT, TOWN CLERK REPORT FOR JANUARY**

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

► **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT**

Code Enforcement Officer Matt Gladstone not in attendance. Supervisor Mastro reported that the Code Enforcement Officer is addressing an issue of garbage on property on the other side of Blanding Road bridge third house on the left and has sent the owner pictures of the garbage. Letters have been sent for other properties that have car and junk issues. Motion by Meyer and Wern to approve the Code Officer’s Report. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **HIGHWAY REPORT**

Discussion held on a 284 Agreement for Expenditure of Highway Moneys. This agreement should be filed yearly and signed at the January organizational meeting. This is basically an agreement between the Highway Superintendent and the Town Board allowing the Superintendent of Highways to spend monies on the town roads. This agreement was signed by the Supervisor, Town Board and Hwy Superintendent this date and filed with the Town Clerk. Motion by Meyer and seconded by Bagnall to approve the Highway Report. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Assistant Historian

Supervisor Mastro talked to Historian Kay Baker. Kay is not sure she will be able to be back in the office to assume the Historian duties. Supervisor Mastro asked Paul Mastro about

possibly becoming the Assistant Historian to cover until the town knows more about the Historian and her health status. Paul Mastro would need to be appointed as Assistant Historian. Supervisor Mastro will discuss salary with Paul Mastro. Motion by Wern and seconded by Meyer to appoint Paul Mastro as Assistant Historian. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

**b. Land for Salt Shed**

Nothing further has been heard on the land for the salt shed.

**c. Diversion Program**

The Town of Sherburne will be receiving \$455.79 for the traffic diversion program with the Town Court. Discussion held about the traffic diversion program.

**d. Bed Tax (Occupancy Tax) Chenango County**

Occupancy Tax – \$128,000 brought in this year. All monies go to Commerce Chenango for tourism. Supervisor Mastro to invite the director of Chenango Commerce to the March meeting.

**e. Sales Tax**

Received Sales Tax in the amount of \$102,186.50

**f. Senior Citizens Exemption Resolution 2024-1**

BE IT RESOLVED upon motion by Bagnall and seconded by Meyer to accept the Senior Resolution. Resolution #2024-1 is attached and made a part hereof. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

**► OLD BUSINESS**

**a. Broadband (fiber) for Town Buildings all installed.**

**b. Broadband Townwide**

Discussion held on expanding broadband out to NYSEG area. Travis Dubois set out an email requesting a meeting with the Supervisors, himself, Mayor Bill Acee and Ione from the Village. Within that meeting it was determined that Travis would do the application for the grant. The Town of Sherburne and Town of Columbus will pay for Travis' time. The town will need to come up with an intermunicipal agreement for paying Travis. This is not a matching grant. The grant is a reimbursement grant, so monies would need to be spent first and then reimbursed by the state. The application needs to be submitted by March 8<sup>th</sup> for the first round. The town should be notified by April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Another meeting on this matter will be held in another week.

**c. AUD Report**

**Annual AUD Report – discussed. April Ray, Accounts Manager, is completing.**

**d. EMS**

**Supervisor Mastro met with Mayor Bill Acee about the EMS. Within the state budget there are some new proposals that would make EMS as essential service and the county would be in charge. Mayor Acee has hired a new person to oversee the EMS and they are to meet with Matt Beckwith to have a full discussion on this whole issue. Mayor Acee is still lacking money for EMS. Discussion held on possibly funding for paying staff to have full shifts back on right away and leasing the ambulance to the county for \$1,000.00 a month. Supervisor Mastro discussed giving the Village \$50,000 with the stipulation it would be used for staffing. Further study to be made.**

**e. Comprehensive Plan**

**Councilmember Krum reported that next month the Planning Board should have more information on what is going on with the Comprehensive Plan. There was a contract transfer from OCAA to the Mohawk Valley Development Corporation.**

**► FEBRUARY 14TH TOWN BILLS**

**Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Wern by to approve the February 2024 bills. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried. Councilmember Krum to approve March bills.**

**► BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

**Councilmember Meyer reported on the following: Earlville village – no report. Next week is the meeting. Village of Sherburne – public hearing was held for their 24-25 budget. Guest speaker attending the Village Board meeting regarding outdoor furnaces and emitting a lot of smoke. Police report standard. DPW and water sewer- big sewer project still in the works. A plan has been put in place for the surface drainage project along route 12. Electric department replacing poles. 661 customers on fiber. Village Election coming up. Historic Park – Councilmember Wern was unable to attend Historic Park meeting – many people were using skate rink before it warmed up.**

**Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Wern to adjourn meeting. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.**

**Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm. Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.**

**Respectfully submitted, Kathy McDaniel, Town Clerk**