

**TOWN BOARD MEETING
ONE CANAL STREET
SHERBURNE, NY 13460**

Regular meeting of the Sherburne Town Board was held on Wednesday, March 13, 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, Sal Testani.

► **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 2024 MINUTES**

Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Meyer to approve the February 14, 2023 2024 minutes. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

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

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

► **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT**

Junk and Storage matters. On Blanding Road there are unlicensed cars, one garbage and one junk property. 513 Granville Hill Road is better. Letter has been sent to homeowner and they are continuing the cleanup. Discussion held on property owned by Vince Yacano on Blanding Road. Hwy Supt. Chase Winton will discuss cleanup timeline with Vince. Still dealing with issues on the property on County Rd. 23 – it is better, but still not where it needs to be. Owners have health issues and the son is doing most of the cleanup. Discussion held on whether letters should be sent to owners that have cars sitting on properties with no front license plates. The board was in approval of letters being sent out. Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Wern to accept the Code Enforcement Officer’s report. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **HIGHWAY REPORT**

Hwy Supt Chase Winton received three quotes for a new undercarriage for the 650 dozer. The lowest estimate was Milton Cat at \$17,483.52. Other quotes were as follows: S&S Tractor quote - \$17,620 and Beck Equipment quote - \$19,305.68. Highway Supt. Chase Winton will purchase the lowest quote from Milton Cat at \$17,483.52. Hwy Supt. Chase Winton was able to find used track frames at \$2,000 for two pair + \$500.00 delivery through Drews Parts. They will need a check sent to them first and then will send the track frames. A total of \$2,500.00. Highway Supt. Chase Winton has been looking for 3-4 years for a good used road grader. He has been trying to find a late 80’s early 90’s caterpillar due to the fact you can get parts easily. He found one in City of Oneonta through Auctions International – with the board’s permission, Chase would like to bid on the road grader.

The board gave Hwy Supt. Chase Winton permission to bid through Auctions International for a used road grader. Money is in budget for this purchase. Motion by Meyer and seconded by Wern to accept the Highway Report. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

► **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Workday Reporting Resolution (Colleen Law-Tefft)**

Motion by Meyer and seconded by Krum to approve the Workday Reporting Resolution for Colleen Law-Tefft. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

b. **Sherburne Community Park Contract & Rec. Contract**

Motion by Meyer and seconded by Wern to authorize Supervisor Mastro to sign the Sherburne Community Park and Recreation Contracts. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried.

c. **Permits**

One permit for Sean Kelly. 74 North Main Street; \$5,000.00 for alterations.

d. **Sherburne Inn**

Supervisor Mastro signed support letters for grants for the Sherburne Inn. They are seeking 1.4 million to build the elevators and finish off rooms upstairs and another small grant to pay for the kitchen renovation.

e. **Commerce Chenango**

Sal Testani, President and CEO of Commerce Chenango, Norwich presented information to the board on Commerce Chenango and the many facets of the organization. Mr. Testani spoke about Commerce Chenango being (4) things: Traditional Chamber of Commerce, representing business interests in our communities and trying to bring people together to talk about different things that can benefit those businesses; local IDA which is a governmental agency that can give tax incentive; i.e. mortgage tax, property tax and sales tax incentives and a local development corporation which can give out low interest rate loans to grow and expand jobs. Commerce Chenango focuses on what makes Chenango County a better place to live, work and visit.

f. **Resignation Denise Boise from Planning Board**

Motion by Krum and seconded by Meyer to accept the resignation of Denise Boise from the Planning Board. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried

► **OLD BUSINESS**

a. Union Update

Contract between the Town of Sherburne and Sherburne Hwy Personnel has been completed and signed.

b. Assistant Historian

Paul Mastro has been appointed as Assistant Historian and Paul has set hours at the Historic Park. Discussion was held about pay for Paul as the Assistant Historian. Motion by Bagnall and seconded by Meyer to pay Assistant Historian Paul Mastro \$200/quarter/\$800/year. Supervisor Mastro – Aye, Councilmembers Bagnall – Aye; Wern – Aye; Meyer – Aye; Krum – Aye. Carried

c. Salt Shed Property

Hwy. Superintendent Chase Winton talked to Sean Kelly with regards to getting a hold of the cemetery committee. The committee would like a site plan and the town does not want to proceed with the spending of the money for a site plan before a contract is in place. A meeting needs to be set up to talk further about this matter. The Town needs to have a formal agreement and then proceed with site plans and surveys.

d. Broadband Townwide

Supervisor Mastro reported that Travis DuBois has done a great job with getting this grant application filled out. The grant was sent in on Thursday. The grant allows up to 30 million dollars per application. There is 290 million dollars available. We are 95% sure we are going to get the grant and hoping for the full amount. We now have a month for an application decision for the first round which will be April 22nd. Once the grant is approved, the town needs to hire some people to inspect every NYSEG pole. Once that is complete the information goes to NYSEG. NYSEG will need to review and hire someone to replace poles if necessary. The pay for Travis will be made part of the grant. Travis is expecting 62% signup for the townwide broadband.

e. EMS

Supervisor Mastro has been meeting with Matt Beckwith. Still working on the various issues with EMS.

► **MARCH 13TH TOWN BILLS**

Motion by Krum and seconded by Bagnall to approve the March 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 Village of Earlville: Approved sale on equipment; signed the youth recreation contract; old school building has a sale in progress. Village of Sherburne: Engineer in attendance every meeting to give a progress report on the sewer project; police report – normal; vandalism in the park; electric car charger needs repair. One new person on board for EMS and one new hire for the police department. Councilmember Wern on Historic Park: Nothing new to report. Councilmember Krum – Planning Board: the planning board did not meet on Tuesday – nothing to report.

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, April 10th at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy McDaniel, Town Clerk