

TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF AUGUSTA
December 15, 2021

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Augusta, County of Oneida and the State of New York was held at Town Hall, 185 North Main Street, Oriskany Falls, NY on Wednesday, the 15th day of December 2021. Mask and/or social distancing were required.

PRESENT: Suzanne Collins Supervisor
 Charles Peck Councilman
 Travis Wright Councilman
 Sonya Furness Clerk

ABSENT: James Dowd Councilman
 Mark Russell Councilman

PUBLIC PRESENT: Phil Eaton, Skip Staelens, Anne Brown, Steve Roys, Aaron Browka and Adam Shaver.

The Town Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Supervisor Collins

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:
RESOLUTION 80 - 2021

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
 Nays 0

Resolved that the Town Board Minutes of November 17, 2021, Special Meeting of December 1, 2021 and Budget meeting of be adopted.

PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS:

Skip Staelens asked about the Sexual Harassment Policy and if that was something we still have to do every year.

He also stated that Public notices placed in the Waterville Times, on the website or placed around town are really not getting out to the public. He suggested that maybe a email or text could be sent to each Board Chair as notification of special meetings.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS:
RESOLUTION 81- 2021

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
 Nays 0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #12 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 86 – 97	\$ 1,441.19
General Fund Part Town	voucher # 38 - 39	37.59
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher # 87 - 93	22,856.12
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 97 - 102	18,815.56

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:

SUPERVISOR:

Assets	Total
Augusta Light District	\$ 1,608.74
Equipment CD Gradall	0.00
Equipment Fund CD Truck	105,274.72
Fiduciary	3,028.65
Fire and Ambulance	220.11
Full Town Highway Checking	6,302.16
Full Town Highway Savings	91,467.45
Full Town General Savings	102,251.59
Full Town General Checking 2022	0.00
Full Town General Checking 2021	4,280.26
Knoxboro Lights	101.12
Part Town General Checking	2,932.42
Part Town General Savings	12,118.37
Part Town Highway Checking	5,252.63
Part Town Highway Savings	344,115.97
Trust and Agency	3,753.62
Pick Up Truck CD	0.00
Knoxboro Flooding Repairs	13,309.87
Indian Land Claim Checking	0.00
Indian Land Claim Savings	120,582.87
Building Fund CD	50,848.34
Reval CD	3,500.00
GARP	56,642.04
Total Current Assets	\$ 927,590.93
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Total Liabilities	0.00
Net Income	\$ (30,707.95)
Unresolved Equity	\$ 958,298.88
Total Equity	\$ 927,590.93
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 927,590.93

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that the Supervisors SORES reports be accepted as submitted

CODES: Report Submitted -

ASSESSOR: No Report Submitted. Appraisers have been invited to the next 2 Board meetings to give an presentation of revals and to answer questions.

DCO: Report Submitted

JUDICIAL: No Concerns

TOWN CLERK:

Town Board signed a monthly reconciliation sheet for the Town Clerk Checking Account, verifying that the November bank statement and checkbook were in order.

Permission was requested to dispose of 2015 6 year retention, 1966 Payroll and 2011 Final Assessment Roll.

RESOLUTION 82 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that Pursuant to the Records Retention and Disposition Schedule LGS-1, all records mentioned above shall be disposed of either by shredding or burning.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

Superintendent Eaton submitted a revised document from Clinton Tractor. 22 Machette Boom Mower and Heavy Duty Grass Flail w/ quick hitches at a cost of \$157,027. With a trade in of John Deere 5603 Tractor w/ Alamo Side Boom Mower of \$19,500 bringing total to \$137,527.

RESOLUTION 83 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that Purchase Agreement be signed including a hammer knife attachment. This will be a 5 payment lease to own with a fixed interest rate.

It is requested that Highway Superintendent research better financing rates.

It was also decided to put the John Deere 5603 Tractor w/ the Alamo side boom mower on International Auctions to see if it could do better than the \$19,500 trade in.

SUPERVISOR:

Supervisor would like to add the balance of Assessors contractual to the Reval CD.

RESOLUTION 84 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that \$1700 be added to the Reval CD.

Cancel Resolution 68-2021

RESOLUTION 85-2021

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that bill will be held till 1/1/22 and the Tax Collectors first Payment is received.

Resignations have been received by Jacob Churchill as MEO and Phil Eaton as Dog Control Officer.

RESOLUTION 86 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that the above resignations be accepted.

Sexual Harassment Policy

RESOLUTION 87 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that the Current Sexual Harassment Policy be Adopted.

A bill was received from Richard Parker in the amount of \$1,625.

RESOLUTION 88 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that the Attorney be paid for services rendered in 2021.

Indian Gaming Revenue has been received from 2020 and 2021.

RESOLUTION 89 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that \$50,000 be added to the Building CD Fund from the Indian Land Claim Savings .

Budget Transfers

RESOLUTION 90 -2021

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was

ADOPTED Ayes 3 Collins, Peck, Wright
Nays 0

Resolved that \$30,000 be moved from Part Town Highway Savings to Truck CD
\$30,000 be moved from Part Town Highway Savings to Roads
\$40,000 be moved to cover the new mower.

BOARD:

Councilman Wright stated that the ARC is still available and needs to be discussed with all Board members present

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 7:08 PM, seconded by Councilman Wright to enter into Executive Session to discuss the matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person and Acquisition, lease or sale of real property or securities when publicity would substantially affect the value.,

At 7:25 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.

A motion was made by Charles, seconded by Travis to appoint Keith Williams to the Board of Review for a term of 5 years, contingent upon him receiving the mandated training. At this time the Town Clerk has not heard from Oneida County on dates for this training. AYE: Sue, Travis, Charles ABSENT: Jim, Mark

The Town Supervisor has been instructed to contact the Town Attorney on the Appointment for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Peck seconded by Councilman Wright, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted
Sonya Furness