# TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF AUGUSTA August 17, 2022

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 17th day of August 2022.

PRESENT: Suzanne Collins Supervisor

James Dowd Councilman
Charles Peck Councilman
Mark Russell Councilman
Travis Wright Councilman
Sonya Furness Clerk

PUBLIC PRESENT: Anne Brown, Patty Louise and Phil Eaton

The Town Board meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM following the Public Hearing by Supervisor Collins

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

#### **RESOLUTION 46 - 2022**

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

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright Navs 0

Resolved that the Town Board Minutes of July 20, 2022 be adopted.

## PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC CONCERNS: None

## **AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

## **RESOLUTION 47–2022**

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

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright Nays 0

Nays 0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #8 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 54 – 57	\$ 106.75
General Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 18 - 19	60.00
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 38 - 42	5,052.74
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 59 - 61	1,529.94

# REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS: SUPERVISOR:

Assets	Total
Augusta Light District	\$ 2,288.87
Truck MMM	135,521.42
Fiduciary	0.00
Fire and Ambulance	196.84
Full Town Highway Checking	22,843.20
Full Town Highway Savings	155,382.02
Full Town General Savings	135,495.90
Full Town General 2021	270.71
Full Town General 2022	4,192.57
Knoxboro Lights	2,176.42
Part Town General Checking	546.75
Part Town General Savings	24,184.09
Part Town Highway Checking	59,103.40
Part Town Highway Savings	286,939.32
Trust and Agency	5,013.54
Knoxboro Flooding Repairs	903.87
Indian Land Claim Savings	164,354.33
Building Fund CD	100,877.46
Reval MMM	5,006.55
GARP	35,750.74
Mower MMM	40,009.80
Road Work MMM	30,007.34
Total Current Assets	\$1,211,065.14
Total Assets	\$1,211,065.14
Total Liabilities	0.00
Net Worth	\$1,211,065.14

# **RESOLUTION 48-2022**

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

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright

Nays 0

Resolved that the Supervisors SORES reports be accepted as submitted

**CODES:** Report Submitted

**ASSESSOR:** No Report Submitted

**DCO**: Report Submitted Dog Control will be attending a seminar in Rochester.

**JUDICIAL:** No Concerns

## **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:**

Highway Superintendent reported that there is an issue with the mower and the valve system. Western Star is in the Paint shop

2012 Western Star is looking at \$15,000 to 20,000 in repairs.

#### **TOWN CLERK:**

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

Asked for 2 Authorized signatures on THOMA paperwork for Vouchers submitted in Drawdown #5 in the amount of \$ 21,023.51. Councilmen Dowd and Russell signed Form 1-4

Conflict of Interest: Mr. and Mrs. Wright were denied a conflict waiver by OCR for the CDBG Grant. OCR stated that they will no longer approve Conflict of Interest Waivers for anyone directly related to Town Officials and staff.

A new Applicant Approval Request for the CDBG grant was submitted.

### **RESOLUTION 49-2022**

On a motion of Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was **ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright

Nays 0

Resolved that the Request be approved in the amount of \$36,193.00.

### **SUPERVISOR:**

Census Budget Adjustment

### RESOLUTION 50-2022

On a motion of Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was **ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright

Nays 0

Resolved that \$310.00 be transferred from A 1990.4 to A 3510.5

New Truck Contracts have been signed and will submitted, except for the Bond papers. They will be submitted later in the month.

Issue of the \$1.64 uncashed check was addressed with the State Comptrollers office determining that the bookkeeper has no legal authority to void out the check.

Judge Garry Johnson is no longer assisting Judge Geri Cook.

## **RESOLUTION 51-2022**

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

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright Nays 0

Resolved that the balance of \$950.00 be moved to A 1110.1.

#### **BOARD:**

Councilman Wright asked Highway Superintendent Eaton why the Hometown Hero Banners were still up in Knoxboro. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that the banners would be put up and taken down in a timely manner and not to be left from May to November for weatherization reasons.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 6:34 PM, seconded by Councilman Peck 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 or corporation, matters relating to collective negotiations under the Taylor Law and Acquisition, lease or sale of real property or securities.

6:49 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.

#### RESOLUTION 52-2022

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was **ADOPTED** Ayes 4 Collins, Peck, Russell, Wright

Nays 1 Dowd

Resolved that the Knoxboro ARC, located on North Road be purchased for use as a municipal hall with the purchase price of \$105,000 and a \$1000. Down.

The Town Supervisor will set up an account for the building in the amount of \$125,000.00 coming from the Indian Gaming Money.

The board discussed Union negotiations. Councilmen Mark Russell and Jim Dowd will provide some dates to the Supervisor by September 9, 2022 to possibly meet with the Union.

The Deputy appointment request from Dog Control was rejected and Dog Control Officer should seek neighboring municipalities for shared services.

The cost of the reval will be incorporated into the 2023 budget to see how it will reflect on the taxes and further discussions will be had during the workshops. Mark has contacted Steve Roys and he still has not heard from the other company about the after reval process and keeping it up.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Russell seconded by Councilman Wright the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM. Carried unanimously.

Respectively Submitted, Sonya Furness