Minutes Town of Conesville Regular Meeting April 12, 2021 7:30 PM

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, the meeting room could only hold 10 people, including town officials, Therefore, attendance was limited. Anyone wishing to call in were asked to notify the town clerk ahead of time.

Roll Call was taken with the following people present: Supervisor Federice, Carl Fancher, Robert Proudman, Kelly Smith, Laurel Mattice, Brenda Weaver

- 1. The group began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.
- Privilege of the Floor While, not able to be present, Kevin Murphy representing the Catskill Watershed Corporation, requested that there be changes made to the contract for the Sewer District Project between the Town of Conesville and NYC DEP. After a brief discussion, Supervisor Federice was directed to contact Mr. Murphy and reply that the Town will not entertain changes.
- 3. Executive Session Motion by Kelly Smith to enter into Executive Session at 7:40PM to discuss a personnel issue, 2nd by William Federice at 8:10 Kelly Smith made the motion to come out of executive session, 2nd by Robert Proudman.
- 4. Minutes Motion by Kelly Smith to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2021 meeting, 2nd by Carl Fancher. Motion Carried.
- 5. Assessor's report Marie Stuber sent in a written report. **Motion by Laurel Mattice to** approve the Assessor's report, second by Carl Fancher. **Motion Carried**
- Code Enforcement Officer's report Ron Barry submitted a written report for the Month of March. Motion by Kelly Smith to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report, 2nd by Robert Proudman, motion carried.
- 7. Tax Collector's Report Diane Williams submitted a written report. **Motion by Laurel**Mattice to accept the Tax Collector's Report, 2nd by Kelly Smith, Motion Carried.
- Town Clerk's Report Brenda Weaver submitted a written report for March, 2021.
 Motion by Laurel Mattice to accept the Town Clerk's report, second by Kelly Smith,
 Motion Carried.
- 9. Highway Superintendent's report Jason Barry submitted a written report. After reviewing the written report, Motion by William Federice to have Superintendent Barry to verify the cost of purchasing the loader on NY State Contract, and compare cost of leasing the loader, with a written breakout between the two options, 2nd by Robert Proudman, motion carried. Council members also requested that

Superintendent Barry to provide breakout of the expenses and itemized budget for the \$230,000 road maintenance program this year. Members did agree that money left over from last year's road maintenance budget could be used for the 2021 budget. Motion by Laurel Mattice to accept the Highway Superintendent's report, 2nd by Robert Proudman, motion carried.

- 10. County Report Supervisor Federice reported that as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, he has appointed Gilboa Supervisor Alicia Terry to chair a committee of Supervisors, Department heads, and citizens, including John Riedl of Conesville, to look at county processes to assess the potential for improvement resulting in reductions in cost and better service to taxpayers.
- 11. Executive Session Motion by Kelly Smith to enter in to executive session for personnel matters, 2nd by William Federice, Motion carried. Motion by Carl Fancher to come out of Executive Session, 2nd by Laurel Mattice, motion carried.

12. Town Business

- a. Supervisor's Financial Report January and February 2021, Motion by Carl Fancher to approve the Financial Reports, second by Robert Proudman, motion carried.
- b. Budget Amendment Resolution Motion by Robert Proudman to pass the Resolution 36-21 amending the 2021 budget, 2nd by Laurel Mattice, roll call vote, all Ayes, resolution carried Motion carried.
- c. Wastewater Treatment Checking Account Discussion regarding the need for a checking account for the new Waste Water Treatment District. Motion by Laurel Mattice to loan \$100 out of the General Fund to open the Waste Water Treatment District Checking Account, 2nd by Carl Fancher, Motion carried.
- d. Grievance Day Local Law Assessor, Marie Stuber, would like to change the grievance day to the 1st Monday in June, so as to work into the schedule as assessor. Motion by Carl Fancher establishing the new Grievance Day as the 1st Monday in June, 2nd subject to passage by the Town Board after a public hearing scheduled May 10th by Robert Proudman, motion carried.
- e. Margaretville Telephone Company needs to have its installation of service at the Wastewater Plant approved. Motion by Laurel Mattice to continue agreement with Margaretville Telephone Company, 2nd by Carl Fancher, motion carried. Supervisor Federice also informed the Councilpersons that Margaretville Telephone Company will be giving us a quote for updating the phone system at town hall.

- f. **Tire Recycling Day** Discussion regarding tire recycling day. During 2020 the town only had one day due to COVID. There were no adverse effects of having only the one day. Agreement to keep one Tire Recycling Day in Mid to Late Summer, 2021
- g. Cell Tower status It appears that the new Cell tower will finally be cleared to be operational after completing the last hurdle of getting a signed agreement for an easement on adjacent landowners' property.
- h. Board Member Input None.
- i. Mowing Bids the sealed bids for mowing the town park, cemeteries and several other places in town were opened. Two bids were received with total costs coming in at \$8,100 for A&A Lawn Care, and \$9,000 for Latta's Lawn Care. It was noted that while the council persons would have preferred to give the bid to a resident, the lowest bid had to be awarded. Motion by Carl Fancher to award the mowing bid to A&A Lawn Care, pending proof of insurance, 2nd by Laurel Mattice, Motion carried.
- 13. Executive Session Motion by Kelly Smith to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters, 2nd by William Federice, Motion carried. Motion made to come out of executive session by Robert Proudman, second by Kelly Smith, Motion carried.
- 14. Historian Position Motion by Laurel Mattice to appoint Catherine Riedl as Town Historian, 2nd by Carl Fancher, Motion carried.
- 15. Bills Motion by Kelly Smith to approve bills for March and April as submitted, second by Carl Fancher, motion carried.
- 16. Adjourn Motion to adjourn made by Kelly Smith, second by Robert Proudman, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 9:55pm

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Weaver
Town Clerk

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Board Report May 10, 2021

Dear Town Board Members,

The tentative rolls for 2021 are available. I have posted the days I will be here for anyone wishing to review the rolls in person. I will need to do this one person at a time and they will need to adhere to the COVID guidelines.

I want to thank the Board for the consideration made in changing the day for BAR for this town. I am not expecting many complaints this year.

The total number of parcels that had an assessment change were 54. The total increase in assessed value reflecting all changes whether increases or decreases was \$1,883,973. There are 19 other parcels that had an exemption removed. This usually occurs either from a sale, relinquishing a previous exemption such as Agricultural or Forestry or the owner is deceased or not using the home as their primary residence.

I will be working on any updates that can be done now for 2022 rolls which will be helpful in the Level of Assessment that is determined by the State for next year.

Any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely, Marie Sluber Marie Stuber

Town of Conesville
Building Code Report
From April-1=2021 To April-30-2021

Row. L. Barry
117 Maple LN.
Gilboa N.Y. 12076
N.Y.S. Building Cod
Enforcment Office

... 167.

New Permits - 5

of Occupancy - 1

Ertificate _ 1

Permit Ext. - 1

INSP. - 13

Finial INSP. - 2

April-30-2021 Mar & Barrey

Town of Conesville Tax Year: 2021 Mon, May 10, 2021, 10:15 AM

28 Zero amount tax bills

145 Unpaid tax bills

1 Partially paid tax bills

1155 Fully paid tax bills

1329 Total number of tax bills

1116 payments collected by collector, 42 by Co Treasurer

Total to be collected this year: \$1,866,343.12

Tax Collector(s) Paid Amounts

Total base paid: \$1,571,788.69

Total penalty:

\$3,730.82

Total late notice:

\$0.00

Sub total paid: \$1,575,519.51

Total refunds:

\$0.00

Net Collected

\$1,575,519.51

Treasurer Collect:

\$66,152.18

Treasurer LateFees Col:

\$0.00

Total unpaid:

\$228,402.25

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Breakdown of totals by Swis Code

Bills Tax Due Base Pd Collected(*) Treas Collect(*) Owed

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 $[\]star$ - Totals Collected represents the base amount paid plus penalties and late notice fees minus any refunds issued.

TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

TOWN OF CONESVILLE, NEW YORK

APRIL, 2021

TO THE SUPERVISOR:

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Pursuant to Section 27, Subd 1 of the Town Law, I hereby make the following statement of all fees and moneys received by me in connection with my office during the month stated above, excepting only such fees and moneys the application and payment of which are otherwise provided for by Law:

A2544	12	DOG LICENSES	TOTAL A2544	65.00	65.00
A2550	6	BUILDING PERMITS	TOTAL A2550	685.00	685.00
FX2144	5	WATER DISTRICT	TOTAL FX2144	560.00	560.00

Highway Report

May 10, 2021

THE MEN HAVE BEEN BUSY WITH THE WORK ON SOUTH MOUNTAIN RD IN PREPERATION FOR PAVING PROJECTS, THEY HAD TO HOLD UP THESE LAST FEW WEEKS DUE TO IT BEING SO WET. SHOP CLEANING AND EQUIPMENT SERVICE HAS BEEN STARTED TO GET READY FOR SUMMER WORK. THE MEN HAVE GONE THROUGH THE TOOLS AND MADE ME A LIST OF THINGS WE NEED TO REPLACE DUE TO THEM BEING BROKE AND A LIST OF WHAT WE CAN USE TO ADD NEW TO MAKE THINGS EASIER FOR US AS WE MOVE FORWARD.

SINCE WE DO A LOT OF FABRICATION WORK IN THE WELDING SHOP WITH THE PLOWS AND SUCH I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK INTO GETTING US A PLASMA CUTTER FOR CUTTING STEEL. THIS WOULD SAVE US LOTS OF TIME GRINDING AND CUTTING TO CUSTOM FIT STEEL FOR A LOT OF OUR PROJECTS. LOOKING AROUND WE CAN PICK ONE UP THAT WILL CUT UP TO 1/2" STEEL FOR ABOUT \$500-\$1000.00 DEPENDING ON THE BRAND WE CHOOSE. THE MEN HAVE CLEANED UP MOST ALL THE OLD CULVERT PIPE WE HAD LAYING AROUND FOR SCRAP AND WE CAME UP WITH ROUGHLY 12-\$1300.00. I WANTED TO ASK THE BOARD IF WE COULD USE THAT MONEY FOR SOME OF THESE TOOLS.

I HAVE BEEN TALKING WITH EKLUND ABOUT GETTING A BETTER DITCHING BUCKET FOR OUR EXCAVATOR. WE HAVE A TRENCH BUCKET AND A 4' LANDSCAPE BUCKET. THE 4' BUCKET IS NICE AROUND LAWNS AND SUCH BUT NOT SO USER FRIENDLY IN ROCKS AND DITCH AREAS WE FIND ON OUR MOUNTAINS. THE COST OF THE BUCKET WE PICKED IS \$1500.00. IT IS INBETWEEN THE 2 SIZES WE CURENTLY OWN AND HAS A DEEPER FORM TO MAKE IT FASTER TO MOVE MORE DIRT AND MAKE LESS MESS ALONG THE ROAD.

TRUCK 202 IS AT W&W TRANSMISSION AND I SPOKE WITH JEFF TODAY. THE SHAFT THAT FEEDS THE FRONT AXLE TOOK A HIT WHEN THE FRONT AXLE WAS DAMAGED. THE PROBLEM IS GETTING PARTS TO REBUILD THIS ONE. 8 MONTHS FOR BEARINGS AND SHAFTS IS THE NORMAL LATELY. JEFF SAYS HE HAS LOCATED A COMPANY WHO DEALS IN MARITOR AND WE CAN DO A FULL UNIT SWAP FASTER. THIS IS GOING TO SET US BACK ABOUT \$1200.00 WITH HIS LABOR AND ALL NEW OIL COOLER LINES TOBE DONE RIGHT. HE HAS OUR UNIT OUT ALREADY AND ITS SET TO GO ONCE WE GIVE HIM THE OK.

I AM ALSO SHOPPING FOR PRICING ON CRUSHER RUN FOR PAVING. I WAS A LITTLE DISAPOINTED IN THE PRICE FROM CARVER, I WILL KEEP EVERYONE IN THE LOOP AS I GET SOME FEEDBACK ON THIS.

FOR THE LOADER - I WANTED TO SAY THANKS TO BILL WHO DID ALL THE LEG WORK ON THE BANKING SIDE OF THINGS AND FOUND A DEAL THAT WOUND UP SAVING THE TOWN A NICE CHUNK OF MONEY.

I WILL NEED TO ORDER A LOAD OF CULVERT PIPE ON BID PRICE OF COURSE TO FINISH THE PROJECT ON SOUTH MOUNTAIN, SHOULD BE ABOUT \$2000.-\$3000.00 WORTH, I WILL KEEP A DOCUMENTED LOG OF WHAT WE USE THERE AND COST SO WE CAN PUT THAT IN UNDER OUR PROJECT COST TOTAL. MOST OF THIS WORK IS COVERED IN OUR CHIPS FUNDS. TAKES A LITTLE LONGER TO DO THE PAPERWORK BUT WORTH IT TO BE ABLE TO DO A JOB RIGHT AND NOT HAVE TO DIG UP NEW ROAD TOP NEXT YEAR TO CHANGE A CULVERT.

THAT'S ABOUT ALL I HAVE AS NEW.

JASON

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town Board of the Town of Conesville shall hold a Public Hearing on Monday May 10, 2021 at 7:30 P.M., at Conesville Town Hall, 1306 State Route 990V, Conesville, NY 12076, to consider Local Law #1 of 2021, the purpose of which is to enact "A Local Law Fixing Grievance Day for the Town of Conesville." The full text of this Local Law can be obtained by contacting the Town Clerk during the Town Clerk's normal business hours.

Dated: April 12, 2021

By Order of the Town Board

Brenda Weaver, Town Clerk

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