

**Minutes
Town of Conesville
Regular Meeting
August 9, 2021
7:30 PM**

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

1. **Pledge of Allegiance** - The group began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.
2. **Privilege of the Floor**
 - a. Aldo Orlando spoke about a continuing issue regarding his one driveway being impassable. And water running through it needs to be addressed. Superintendent Porter indicated that they will get there as soon as possible, but roads where people are unable to get into their homes receive greater priority
 - b. Erica Weiss addressed the board asking for people to slow down on the road in front of their property on Bohlen Road. Also, there is a pothole that needs to be repaired.
3. **Minutes** – Minutes of the regular August meeting were reviewed. **Motion by Robert Proudman to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2021 meeting, seconded by Laurel Mattice Motion Carried.**
4. **Assessor's report** – Marie Stuber sent in a written report. **Motion by Kelly Smith to approve the Assessor's report, seconded by Robert Proudman. Motion Carried**
5. **Code Enforcement Officer's report** – Ron Barry submitted a written report for the Month of July. **Motion by Laurel Mattice to accept the Code Enforcement Officer's report, seconded by Carl Fancher, motion carried.**
6. **Tax Collector's Report** – Diane Williams has no report, as the tax season is complete.
7. **Town Clerk's Report** – Brenda Weaver submitted a written report for July, 2021, **Motion by Kelly Smith to accept the Town Clerk's report, seconded by Robert Proudman, Motion Carried.**
8. **Highway Superintendent's report** –Superintendent David Porter read his written report, and asked for approval to purchase a one-ton truck with a V plow to do plowing for normal snow storms, this would allow all current employees to plow. **Motion by Kelly Smith to authorize David Porter to get bids for the plow truck requested, and bring price and information to the September meeting, seconded by Robert Proudman.**
David Porter also reported he is having difficulty with Laraway's bookkeeping and a problem with tax reporting. Discussion regarding Junk yards – No junk yard laws in the town. Superintendent was also asked about rights of ways – he has had problems with one landowner who keeps vehicles in the town's right of way. When landowner was

approached to move the vehicles, the landowner moved them farther into the right of way. Discussion as to what to do with landowner. Another landowner on Bohlen Road/Hubbard Road also has firewood equipment in right of way, along with a camper. Superintendent will stop by and ask landowner to remove it from the right of way.

Motion by Carl Fancher to accept the Highway Superintendent's report, seconded by Laurel Mattice, motion carried.

9. **County Report** – Supervisor Federice reported that County ambulances are working out well. COVID – County will decide what to do regarding precautions, not the State. As of now, Schoharie County is not issuing any mask mandates or vaccine proof. **Motion by Carl Fancher to approve the County report, seconded by Laurel Mattice, Motion Carried.**

10. **Town Business**

- a. Supervisor Federice submitted the July, 2021 financial report. **Motion by Laurel Mattice to accept the Supervisor's Financial Report, seconded by Carl Fancher, Motion carried.**
- b. **Budget amendment Resolution 43-22– Motion by Kelly Smith to approve the budget amendments as presented, seconded by Laurel Mattice, Roll Call Vote Resolution Passed.**
- c. **Budget process and Calendar - The following dates were set for the Budget process: Thursday, October 12 at 7:00 PM, Budget Hearing to be held on Wednesday, November 3 at 7:00 pm**
- d. **Pucker Street** – After the flooding Pucker Street was washed out where residents could not get out of homes. Repairs had to be made without getting quotes because of the emergency. Request to approve the Sole Source provider for the materials and contracting. **Motion by Kelly Smith to grant permission to use the provider because of the emergency situation, seconded by Carl Fancher, motion carried.**
- e. **Tire Day** – The one day that will be held this year is September 11. Supervisor Federice will have flyers made up.
- f. **Justice Court Assistance Program Application** – Judge Durkin requested approval of a resolution to submit an application for \$30,000 to make improvements to the Court facility. **Motion by Bill Federice Carl Fancher to approve the Resolution 42-21, seconded by Kelly Smith roll call vote, resolution passed.**

- g. Request to revise Building Permit Fee Schedule.** Ron Barry asked that the board approve a few changes to the fee schedule. **Motion by Kelly Smith to revise the building permit fees as follows: \$50 fee for renewal of permit. Add \$40 fee to schedule for searches, and change fee to \$140 for renovation's, seconded by Robert Proudman, motion carried.**
 - h. West Conesville Sewer District – discussion about lack of payment from DEP to complete the project, and their request to have the plant up and running before paying the final bill. Motion by Kelly to not hook up any septic tanks until the work is paid for by DEP, seconded by Robert Proudman, motion carried.**
 - i. Summer Camp Supervisor Federice was asked to request the board to increase the summer camp coordinator's stipend to \$2,240 because of the additional work for COVID protocols and prolonged bus transportation times due to a driver shortage. Motion by Laurel Mattice to increase the stipend for the Summer Camp coordinator to \$2,240, seconded by Kelly Smith, Motion Carried.**
 - j. Separate Account for ARP – Motion by Laurel Mattice to open a NYCLASS account for ARP, 2nd by Kelly Smith, motion carried.**
 - k. Town Garage Heating Work – Main Care submitted a written quote of \$5,976 for hooking up the propane tank and purchase of propane for a year. Motion by Carl Fancher to approve Main Care as a single source for Propane and hook up with the understanding this will be for one year so that the Town can understand the fuel consumption for inclusion in next year's annual fuel bid, seconded by Robert Proudman, motion carried.**
- 12. Review Bills – The members present reviewed the bills. Motion by Laurel Mattice to approve the bills as presented, 2nd by Carl Fancher, Motion carried.**
- 13. Adjourn - Motion to adjourn made by Carl Fancher, second by Laurel Mattice, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm**

Respectfully submitted,

**Brenda Weaver
Town Clerk**

Marie Stuber, Assessor
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Gilboa, NY 12076

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Assessor's Town Board Report for
July6-August 8, 2021

Good Evening.

This is the slow time of the year for the Assessor's office. I haven't received many sales that are actually arms length sales. Most of the transfer reports are name changes within the same ownership. I did receive 3 sales that were arms length. Two were for vacant land and one was for a home.

Mark had reduced the assessed value due to the condition and nature of the renovation work being done (a structural issue was being repaired with other renovation also) and no completion certificate had been issued so the valuation had not been reviewed. Because of the current assessed value is so much lower than the sales price value for this sale it is indicative of possibly the structural restoration has been completed. I believe Ron Barry was going to check on it and I will again be going out to see if I can gain access. The driveway had previously been gated last time. The sale value of this parcel was \$461,000 and the value placed on it previously with damage to the structure was \$155,000.

I had a couple inquiries on properties. One from a real estate broker. Another inquiry was from a property owner of vacant land who wanted to put something there and was very confused as to what he wanted to build and what the use would be for. It did appear he wanted to build something to live in as a second home but was referring to it as just a Quonset hut maybe double stacked with all the living amenities as a normal residence. I did tell him I would give him some value of some current camp/homes but he needed to discuss with Ron what the code requirements would be for the structure he was suggesting he wanted to put up.

When Ron brings down completed files of permits with CO's I am now copying the permits and Co's to put into our property record folders. This is the best way to keep track of build and renovations and to make sure nothing is missed. Getting a copy of the permit when given out would be even better so I can keep track of progress for valuation.

Sincerely
Marie Stuber

Town of Conesville Building Code Report

From July-1-2021 To July-31-2021

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Ron. G. Barry
117 Maple Ln.
Gilboa N.Y. 1209
N.Y.S. Building Code
Enforcement Office

INSP. - Addition	Addition	
Garage	Per Per	= 13
Deck	Shed Roof	
Log Cabin	Etc Furn.	
Solar Tray	Shed	
New House		
Deck		
New House		

Permit Ext. -	Storage barn	- 2
	Renovation	

New Permits	Renovation (Storage Rm)	- 3
	Ramp around dock,	
	Shed	

Certificate of Occupancy	Renovation	- 2
	New Double Wide	

Certificate of Completion	Deck	
	Shed	
	Demo Shed	
	Demo old Trailer	- 1
	Pro Fab Chimney	
	Deck	
	Deck	

TOWN OF CONESVILLE
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE
1306 STATE ROUTE 990V
GILBOA, NEW YORK 12076

Ron G Barry

TOWN CLERK'S MONTHLY REPORT

TOWN OF CONESVILLE, NEW YORK

JULY, 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:

A1603	<u>14</u>	CERTIFIED COPIES - BD	<u>140.00</u>	
		TOTAL A1603		140.00
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A2544	<u>1</u>	DOG LICENSES	<u>5.00</u>	
		TOTAL A2544		5.00
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A2550	<u>5</u>	BUILDING PERMITS	<u>460.00</u>	
		TOTAL A2550		460.00
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FX2144	<u>3</u>	WATER DISTRICT	<u>160.00</u>	
		TOTAL FX2144		160.00
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Superintendents Monthly Report for July 2021

The roadside mowing has been continuing after we switched the head on the over the rail machine. The rain has made it very difficult to mow with a sicklebar machine. Ditching on the section of Durham Road has continued. This section has been several years since being done. The Excavator was moved to Wood Road to change a sluice pipe that failed. We started some filling road edges washed out deep in December. Then the rains came.

Since July 18 we have done nothing much except repair flood damage from severe rains. Haner road Pucker Street and Schuessler Lane were left impassable by Monday morning. Monday, we patched up Haner road to allow vehicles to navigate it. Tuesday we moved to Schuessler Road where most of the work done last winter was washed away. When we arrived down there the town of Renssaerville was working on their section of both roads. With much help from Renssaerville we all had both Schuessler Road and Pucker Street passable. Since these two roads are geographically removed from the town proper, we continued to do some more washout repair while down there. There is still more needed for both as well as Bates Church Road. On Saturday July 24 Sean and I moved the excavator to Brand Road to begin repair of severe water damage. Brand was left passable but was in much need of repair with as much as 10 foot wide and up to 3-foot-deep gouges were washed out from the northern ditch. The road is only partially done needing much more gravel material added and graded. On August 2 the excavator was moved back to Haner Road to do more work to ensure travelers safety. I filed for a reimbursement of some of the work done to repair the damage done by the rain on Christmas day. I was only able to file for them rental, trucking and materials used because the records for our machinery and labor were incomplete and not enough proof for the state. The total for reimbursement is \$18,217.26. ? 19,974.80

I have a tentative schedule August 23rd to pave a section of South Mountain. my plan calls for starting at Bush Road intersection proceed west 1.1 mile. This section has been ditched and failing sluice pipes have been replaced allowing the paving without the need of our equipment to do damage to fresh asphalt. The cost of paving has risen as has most everything to \$75200 and this must be sealed with a coat of oil and stone for \$21250. The present quote is not good anymore since we need to change the paver to a "motopaver" because of not having any place to mix asphalt. The quote is for \$96,459.26 with the stone product for the motopaver to cost \$7000-\$8,000 more and I am asking the board to OK spending this amount. The quote is due here tonight.

If the weather does allow the paving job to happen, we will have to continue with the ditching and pipe replacement work. The excessive rain falls have rendered many pipes both crossroad sluice and driveway pipes inadequate and must be replaced. There is still many clogged ditches along all of our roads. Under ordinary times this job is perpetual but under the conditions we see now there isn't enough time, manpower or machinery to keep up with the totally clogged ditches and pipes. I would like to take this time to request the town purchase a new truck similar to the F550 purchased in 2020. My preference would be to get a "one ton" as opposed to the 2 ton truck. We have enough \$\$ in the budget. We have only 2 CDL drivers and 4 heavy plow trucks requiring the CDL. We could plow most snow falls with a truck not requiring the CDL. In the work season we could utilize part time labor to drive these and could possibly double our daily work.

TOWN OF CONESVILLE RESOLUTION NUMBER 43-21

Application for Funding from the Justice Court Assistance Program

Introduced by: William Federice

Seconded by: Kelley Smith

WHEREAS it is evident the Town of Conesville needs to update and refurbish the Town Justice Courtroom, and

WHEREAS New York State is offering the opportunity to apply for funding from the Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) ending October 7, 2021

WHEREAS one required component for the application process is for the local legislative body of the Justice Court must signal their interest for applying for this grant opportunity

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Conesville Town Council authorizes the Conesville Town Court to apply for this funding up to the maximum of \$30,000.00.

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nav</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Fancher, Carl	<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
Federice, William	<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
Mattice, Laurel	<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
Proudman, Robert	<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
Smith, Kelly	<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>

CARRIED ✓ NOT CARRIED _____

I hereby certify the above resolution is a true and exact copy of the resolution passed by the Conesville Town Board on 8/9/2021.

Brenda Weaver

Brenda Weaver, Town Clerk

(SEAL)

Town of Conesville
Resolution Number 43-21
Budget Amendments
August 9, 2021

Increase Budget	To		Description	Decrease Budget	To
83.84	200.00	DA2401	Interest		
179,786.00	179,786.00	DA5730	Bond Anticipation Notes		
		DA9730	Bond Anticipation Notes	179,786.00	0.00
179,786.00	179,786.00	D5130.2	Equipment		
138.49	35,138.49	A4089	Federal Aid - ARP		
170.87	7,109.94	A1620.4	Town Hall Contractual		
6,441.00	31,116.75	A5132.4	Garage Contractual Expense		
600.00	5,600.00	A7020.1	Co-Op Camp Personal Services		
350.00	350.00	A7310.4	Youth Programs Contractual		
2,435.00	2,435.00	A8810.4	Cemeteries Contractual		

Board Member	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN
Federice, William	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fancher, Carl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mattice, Laurel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proudman, Robert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Smith, Kelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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