

GRAFTON TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 12, 2023 - 7:00PM

Grafton Town Hall - 2379 NY RT 2, Grafton NY 12082

Meeting called to Order by Supervisor Gundrum 7:00PM with the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: COUNCILMAN STEVE BEAUDRY - Present

COUNCILMAN PIERCE HOYT - Present

COUNCILMAN FRANK LEWANDUSKY - Present

COUNCILWOMAN JODI DESCHAINE - Present

SUPERVISOR INGRID GUNDRUM - Present

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE WERE THE FOLLOWING: Nancy LaRocque, Tamara Palmateer, Jarod Bouchard, Donna Baldwin, Ann Calabro, Becky Greene, Tom Sullivan, Tom Withcuskey, Mark Gilchrist, Erika & Chuck Douglas, & James Goyer Sr., Phil Danaher, John Munn, John Oliver, Randy Stevens, LeAnna Sweet, George & Estelle Hovnanian

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM: May 8, 2023 Public Hearing and Town Board Meeting - Motion to Approve the above Minutes made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Hoyt – Motion Carried 5-0

Roll Call:

Councilman Beaudry - Yea

Councilwoman Deschaine - Yea

Councilman Lewandusky - Yea

Councilman Hoyt - Yea

Supervisor Gundrum - Yea

REPORTS AND REMITTANCES FROM TOWN COMMITTEES:

SUPERVISOR: Financial reports were given to the Town Board Members tonight in hard copy-copies available and it is on the Website. Also reported by Supervisor Gundrum - The Town of Grafton sign on the east side of Town that was damage by a car accident in the fall will be installed again by the Town Highway dept. soon - That Daphne Jordan provided the Town with a Resolution in regard to Grafton

being designated as a Purple Heart Community- Senator Jordan provide Supervisor Gundrum with the person's name who designed the logo, and she will be getting signs made to be displayed in Town.

Also, Supervisor Gundrum thanked Jane and Brandon McDermott for the use and gracious welcome for the Grafton Town Picnic at the Greywacke Meadows on June 4, 2023, and the Grafton Recreation committee for the great job organizing the Town Picnic. A great turn out and good time for all ages.

Supervisor Gundrum and Councilman Lewandusky attended a program by Rensselaer County Sheriff's Dept- Active Shooters Run, Hide, Fight. Looking into hosting another presentation at the end of summer.

TOWN CLERK: Town Clerk Fees - \$361.15, Trash/Recycle - \$2711.50, Building Permits - \$3139.25 Bottle Returns (Youth) - 88.40: Total Revenue \$6462.35 Payments to Agri-Markets, DEC & Dept of Health - \$162.05 Check to Supervisor - \$6300.30

Motion to approve Town Clerk Report made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilwoman Deschaine – Motion Carried 5 - 0

Roll Call:

Councilman Beaudry - Yea

Councilwoman Deschaine - Yea

Councilman Lewandusky - Yea

Councilman Hoyt - Yea

Supervisor Gundrum - Yea

HIGHWAY: General Road maintenance

BUILDINGS/CODE ENFORCEMENT: 24 new permits, working on getting junk cars cleaned up, attending training on Terrorism – Thank you to all the Fire Departments and Rescue personnel who battled the fire at the former Fresh Air Home

PLANNING BOARD: 2 lot minor subdivision

RESCUE SQUAD: Calls Dispatched 9 – Call Response 6, 199.7 miles

LIBRARY: 420 patrons, 639 books, 246 Ebooks

STATE PARK: Multiple Activities in June – Boats are now available on weekends, doing a Kayak Program, and starting Movie Nights back up

RECREATION COMMITTEE – Approximately 100 attendees at the picnic, thanks to all who were involved, next event w/library Aug. 12, 2023

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

Email Regarding RFP Procedure - working on RFP for Senior Center roof

FOIL appeal - Executive Session

South Long Pond Association - Notification of Election of Officers

Request to use Town Hall - See New Business

Grafton Community Library – Library Collaboration with Youth Program/Shared Funding & use of Village Greens for an event on July 28, 2023 – 2-4PM – See New Business – Request to research the cost and possibility of getting the Town Basketball Court painted for Pickleball – Will contact company that stripped the basketball court.

NEW BUSINESS:

Library Collaboration with Youth Program/Shared Funding for scheduled event

Request for use of the Town Hall for the Grafton Democratic Party Caucus - Date TBD

Inventory of Town Property - Needs to be done by September

Post Office Repairs - A/C unit inspected

OLD BUSINESS:

Back-up for Town Computer Systems - No decision made

Town Hall Mold Abatement Project - Will follow up with Ambient

New Sign Installation - the Town Clerk and Highway Department are working on it.

Conference Room window repair & Assessor's exterior door/Brink Alarm – Town Clerk will contact company to repair office window & Assessor's door has been adjusted/repaired

2022 Summer Drop-in Program billing status for non-Grafton residents – Need a new policy created so this does not occur again

Air Conditioner at Senior Center – Should be replaced, Window unit would be sufficient – the unit that went down only supplies the office with A/C not the whole building

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

FOIL Request Appeal not being addressed

Why was polling place not questioned

Emergency Preparedness - Still looking into setting one up

Why is bottle money still going to Youth Program – we are still actively seeking a director and to get the program back up and running

RFP Policy and procedures

Closing of Town Clerk's Office

Ethics Training for New Employees

Air Conditioner - why has it not been addressed

Compliments to the Highway Department

Generator for Town Hall – are we following up on it

Property concerns on South Long Pond

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

Motion to honor the Grafton Community Library's request to use the Village Greens on July 28, 2023 and to supplement the Dr. Doolittle presentation in the amount of \$358.00 from the Youth Program made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Lewandusky – Motion Carried 5 - 0

Councilman Beaudry: Yea

Councilwoman Deschaine: Yea

Councilman Lewandowsky: Yea

Councilman Hoyt: Yea

Supervisor Gundrum: Yea

Motion to approve the use of the Town Hall by the Democratic Committee on July 28, 2023 from 6 to 10PM made by Councilwoman Deschaine, seconded by Councilman Hoyt – Motion Carried 3-2

Councilman Beaudry: Nay

Councilwoman Deschaine: Yea

Councilman Lewandusky: Nay

Councilman Hoyt: Yea

Supervisor Gundrum: Yea

Motion for the Town Clerk to procure services for repair to the Conference Room window not to exceed \$1000.00 made by Councilman Beaudry, seconded by Councilman Lewandusky – Motion Carried 5-0

Councilman Beaudry: Yea

Councilwoman Deschaine: Yea

Councilman Lewandusky: Yea

Councilman Hoyt: Yea

Supervisor Gundrum: Yea

MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED: Motion to amend/abstract from May 8, 2023 TBM (Vouchers 193 – 238 with total of \$43,339.68 and to pay vouchers 239 – 287 – Total \$57,501.63 made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Beaudry – Motion Carried 5 - 0

Roll Call:

Councilman Beaudry: Yea

Councilwoman Deschaine: Yea

Councilman Lewandusky: Yea

Councilman Hoyt: Yea

Supervisor Gundrum: Yea

UPCOMING MEETINGS: July 10, 2023 @ 7:00PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION: FOIL request appeal - Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:17pm by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Deschaine - Motion carried 5 - 0

Motion to return from Executive Session at 8:41pm made by Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Hoyt – Motion carried 5 - 0

Motion to Adjourn at 8:41pm in Loving Memory of Fred Horton Jr., Mary Gardner, and Wallace Thomas Hayes Sr.

RESPECTFULLY SUMMITTED

Victoria Burdech

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GRAFTON TOWN CLERK

Approved: