ALEXANDER TOWN BOARD AGENDA ALEXANDER TOWN HALL May 13, 2024 REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Supervisor David Miller

TOWN BOARD: Laura Schmieder, Jerry Krupka, Eric Wagner

HIGHWAY SUPT: Brian Farnsworth

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Ronald Merrill, Teresa Thorley, Dale Spring, Brad McClellan, Sean McPhee, Tim

Hagen, Dave Patten, Brenda Post, Kurt Reisdorf, Brandon Snyder, Matt Mahaney,

Steve Mountain

Supervisor Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our first responders and our military serving around the world.

On motion by Councilperson Wagner and seconded by Councilperson Krupka and carried, the minutes of the April 8, 2024, regular meeting were adopted.

4– Yes Miller, Schmieder, Krupka, and Wagner

0 - No

*Motion was made by Councilperson Wagner and seconded by Councilperson Krupka to enter executive session to conduct interviews for the open board seat at 6:02pm. Motion carried.

*Motion was made by Councilperson Schmieder and seconded by Councilperson Krupka to exit executive session at 6:46pm. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Water District #6 Update:
- Sergi Construction installed and pressure tested the tank fill and supply piping.
- Statewide Aquastore formed and poured the concrete foundation wall.
- Sergi Construction will be backfilling the wall and prepping for the tank floor.
- Anticipating delivery of the tank wall steel the week of 5/20.
- 2. Water District #7 Update:
- Jay Grasso of G&G Municipal Consulting and Grant Writing was hired to gather petition signatures. He started last week and will continue gathering signatures this week.
- Tabulating petition results.
- Continuing to coordinate with Norfolk Southern for petition signature, they have relocated the Real Estate Department out of state and lost several key personnel.
 - SHPO should be completing their review of the Phase 1A report prepared by Deuel Archaeology & CRM. They are allowed 30 days. Request for Phase 1B subsurface investigations will be made after approval by SHPO.
- Continuing to prepare permitting documentation for stream and wetland crossings and SWPPP.
- Preparing contract specifications.
- Contract plans are still being prepared for Health Department review.
- Rural Development has indicated that they will likely issue a Letter of Conditions this week for funding or the Phase 1 construction.
- 3. Water District #8 Update

The plan is to start the draft report in June.

NEW BUSINESS

RES. NO. 31: OPEN TOWN BOARD POSITION

Councilperson Wagner made a motion to appoint Ronald Merrill to the open Town Board seat effective immediately. Councilperson Krupka seconded the motion and the motion carried.

4- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Wagner, Krupka

0- No

*At this time the Oath of Office was given to Councilperson Ronald Merrill by Supervisor David Miller.

RES. NO. 32: CONTRACT FOR GRANT FOR OLD HIGHWAY BARN DEMOLITION

On motion by Councilperson Schmieder and seconded by Councilperson Krupka and carried the Town Board authorized Supervisor Miller to sign the Contract with NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the grant to take down the old highway barn on Railroad Ave. The contract funding amount is \$139,847.44.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0-No

RES. NO. 33: TREE REMOVAL AT TOWN HALL

On motion by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried the Town Board approved the quote for tree removal at the Town Hall from Wyatt VanBuren in the amount of \$2000.00. 5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka 0- No

RES. NO. 34: DECLARING THE 2016 FORD PICKUP SURPLUS

On motion by Councilperson Schmieder and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried. The Town Board declared the 2016 Ford surplus and authorized Highway Superintendent Farnsworth to put the 2016 Ford pickup up for sale.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0-No

RES. NO. 35: QUOTE FOR ADDED CYBER SECURITY FROM HURRICANE

On motion by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Krupka and carried the board approved adding Security Awareness Training and Network and Security Assessment Scan to the Town computers.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0- No

RES. NO. 36: APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

On motion by Councilperson Wagner and seconded by Councilperson Merrill and carried the board denied the leave of absence application submitted by MEO Lyons to explore another job opportunity from 5/20/2024-11/1/2024.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0-No

*Motion was made by Councilperson Krupka and seconded by Councilperson Schmieder and carried to enter executive session at 7:08pm to discuss a personnel matter. 5-0

*Motion was made by Councilperson Merrill and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried to exit executive session at 7:11pm. 5-0

RES. NO. 37: PHASE 1 OF WATER DISTRICT #7

On motion by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Schmieder and carried the board moved to support moving forward with Phase 1 of Water District #7 and seek the support of RD in both the loan of 2,000,000.00 and grant monies of 2,123,000.00 and 2,000,000.00 grant money from other sources.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0- No

RES. NO. 38: CONTRACT WITH G&G MUNICIPAL CONSULTING AND GRANT WRITING

On motion by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Schmieder and carried the board moves to approve the contract with G&G municipal consulting and grant writing in the amount of \$145 per hour plus federal mileage to finish getting signatures for the final petition for Water District #7.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0- No

RES. NO. 39: BUDGET TRANSFER 1

WHEREAS the bill for the fireman's cancer insurance was \$ 36.00 higher than the amount budgeted in A 1910.4 Special Items- Unallocated Insurance and

WHEREAS there are sufficient funds in A 1990.4 Contingent and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT A 1910.4 Special Items- Unallocated Insurance be increased by \$36.00 and A1990.4 Contingent be decreased by \$36.00.

Motion made by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Krupka and carried.

4- Yes Miller, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0- No

(Schmieder stepped out)

RES. NO. 40: BUDGET TRANSFER 2

WHEREAS highway labor is being coded differently in 2024 than in previous years and

WHEREAS so far in 2024 the highway crew has spent more time working on machinery and less time plowing snow and

WHEREAS DB 5130.1 Machinery-Personal Services is over budget and

WHEREAS DB 5142.1 Snow Removal-Personal Services has sufficient funds

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT DB 5130.1 be increased by \$40,000.00 and DB 5142.1 Snow Removal (Town Highways)- Personal Services be decreased by \$40,000.00

Motion was made by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried.

4- Yes Miller, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0- No

(Schmieder stepped out)

RES. NO. 41: BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS the actual amount of unpaid water sales for WD#1 and WD#3 were greater than the budgeted amounts in the 2024 Alexander Town Budget for both income and expense and this can be corrected by amending the 2024 budget to increase both budget lines for SW#1 and SW#3

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Alexander Town Board amends the 2024 Town of Alexander budget to increase SW1 2140 from \$200.00 to \$1100.00 and SW1 8389.4 from \$200.00 to \$1100.00 and SW3 2140 from \$100.00 to \$150.00 and SW3 8389.4 from \$100.00 to \$150.00

Motion made by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Wagner and carried.

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner and Krupka

0-No

DISCUSSION

- Flail Mower insurance claim came back. \$1000.00 deductible.
- Phone lines have been an issue. Supervisor Miller has called Comtel and Spectrum for assistance.
- The board discussed the possibility of joint planning and zoning boards for the Town and Village.

Reports:

Insurance: NYMIR came to inspect/ interview

Building: Keypower inspected generator on 5/7. Councilperson Schmieder is going to check with her husband about cleaning off the building by the clerk's office door with a power washer.

CEO/ZEO: Matt Mahaney provided the board with an up to date compliance report

Clerk: no report

Tax Collector: Final report on the table

Dog Control: Contacting Carolyn to see if she is interested in doing a dog enumeration for the Town this year.

Games of Chance: No report

Town Justice: reports on table.

Financial: Sent from Laura Landers LLC to the board

GAM: Meeting on 5/16 at County building #2

Transfer Station: no report.

H'way Superint: Brian Farnsworth provided the board with a written report.

H'way Equip: Brian Farnsworth provided the board with a written report.

Senior Citizen: No report. **Town Historian:** No report.

Payment of Bills: Motion by: Supervisor Miller Second by: Councilperson Schmieder

5- Yes Miller, Schmieder, Merrill, Wagner, and Krupka 0- No

General Fund A	Vouchers	106-145	15,931.12
General Fund B	Vouchers	16-18	654.45
Highway Fund A	Vouchers	7-9	769.84
Highway Fund B	Vouchers	63-80	73,801.46
Capital Fund	Vouchers	10-11	70,890.00
Special Water	Vouchers	3-4	2,193.16

Motion to adjourn at 8:26pm made by Supervisor Miller and seconded by Councilperson Schmieder and carried. 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Shannon Tiede, Town Clerk