

REGULAR MEETING
WOLCOTT TOWN BOARD – MARCH 21, 2023

A regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board was held Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall with the following people present:

PRESENT - Supervisor - Lynn Chatfield
Councilman - Adam Ellis, Jr.
Councilman - Daniel Youngman
Councilman – Jorden Brown
Councilwoman – Julie Aldrich

OTHERS PRESENT - Jessica Freer, Town Clerk; Amber Roberts, Assessor/Supervisor's Clerk; Ray Hauss, Code Enforcement Officer; Zach Decker, Highway Superintendent;; Chris Bauer, Deputy Highway Superintendent; Lance Brabrant and Dave Doyle, MRB Group; Jack Whitaker, Wolcott; Ron Lancy, Wolcott; Scott Gregg, Red Creek; Lori Fuguson, Wolcott.

Copies presented to the Town Board:

1. Minutes of February 21, 2023 (Regular Meeting)
2. General Fund Claims (Unaudited)
3. Highway Fund Claims (Unaudited)

The Supervisor's, Town Clerk's, Justices, Code Enforcement Officer's, and Highway Superintendent's reports were presented to the Town Board.

Supervisor Chatfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
Pledge of Allegiance –

GENERAL BUSINESS –
GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE –

1. Notice of Public Hearing from Town of Sterling.
2. Thank you card from Don Camp.
3. Letter from Department of Health regarding the appointment of Local Health Officer.

A motion was made by Adam Ellis, seconded by Jorden Brown, to accept the minutes of February 21, 2023, departmental reports, and general correspondence.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS -

GENERAL ACCOUNT - Claims #64 thru #97 - total - \$8,446.56.

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT - DA Town wide & DB Outside - total - \$24,131.09.

A resolution was presented by Adam Ellis, moved by Jorden Brown, seconded by Dan Youngman “Be it RESOLVED to pay General and Highway account claims as presented.”

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

ASSESSOR/SUPERVISOR'S CLERK - Amber Roberts

1. She is working on the tentative roll, Amber said Karli will be doing the Informal's this year.

RESOLUTION #13-23 TO AUTHORIZE BUDGET TRANSFER –

The following resolution was presented by Dan Youngman, moved by Jorden Brown seconded by Adam Ellis,

WHEREAS, the New York State Comptroller's Office made a recommendation during their audit process with the Town stating to do transfers for budget line items as they happen if they are over budget during the year; and

WHEREAS, bills came in larger than expected for zoning,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to allow the Supervisor's Clerk to make the following transfer to the line item in the 2023 Budget:

From Contingent – B1990.4 to Zoning – B8010.4 in the amount of \$155.50.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0.

HIGHWAY – Zach Decker

1. Zach would like the board to present a resolution to add a mowing tractor to the surplus to sell on Auctions International.

RESOLUTION #14-2023 DECLARING HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS –

The following resolution was presented by Dan Youngman, moved by Adam Ellis seconded by Jorden Brown,

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent would like to place equipment on Auctions International to sell; and

WHEREAS, the equipment has to be declared as surplus before that can be done,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to declare 340 B Ford Tractor as surplus and allow the Highway Superintendent to place on Auctions International for sale.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0.

2. Zach said there is a claim to the insurance company for damage to a front plow, he hasn't heard back from the insurance company yet but will be looking to replace it in the future.

3. Zach has Highway School June 5 - June 7.

4. Zach says that the Highway Department needs a Salt Barn.

5. There will be our Annual Cleanup Day June 10th, 2023, at the Highway Barns.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – Ray Hauss

1. Solar Law Final Draft – Ray said that the Solar Law Committee has compiled a draft law for the Board to review. Lance said that tonight the Board can declare a SEQR Resolution, Declaring Intent to Be Lead Agency if they would like. Lance explained Type 1 Action under SEQR. Lynn asked about changing the wording of a sentence on the Draft, Lance said he would make the change on the draft.

SEQR RESOLUTION #15-2023 DECLARING THE INTENT TO BE LEAD AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Town of Wolcott Town Board (hereinafter referred to as Town Board) has reviewed and completed the SEQR Full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) Part 1, prepared by the MRB Group (hereinafter referred to as Town Engineer) on the above referenced Town of Wolcott Solar Adoption (hereinafter referred to as Action); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board determines that said Action is classified as a Type 1 Action under the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board determines that said Action is also subject to review and approval by other involved agencies under SEQR Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board determines that it is the most appropriate agency to ensure the coordination of this Action and will provide written notifications to involved agencies, for the purposes of conducting a coordinated review and making the determination of significance thereon under the SEQR Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of Trustees does hereby declare its intent to be designated as the lead agency for the Action and directs the Town Clerk to sign and date the Full EAF Part 1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Engineer is directed to provide notice hereof to the involved and interested agencies, seeking their agreement (or objection thereto) in writing.

Motion made by Member Adam Ellis: Seconded by Member: Jordan Brown

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

2. Special Permit Request – Richard & Joanne Henahan
8297 East Port Bay Road
Wolcott, NY 14590
75120-19-528176

Code Enforcement Officer, Ray Hauss, presented Special Permit Request #2-2023, which was brought before the Town Board February 21, 2023, at which time a negative impact was declared on the environment and signed by the Supervisor.

Request regarding Town of Wolcott Local Law #1-2000 Section 502-C, states special permits are required to expand pre-existing structures on less than one acre of land in waterfront area. Richard & Joanne would like to demo their existing cottage and have a new home be built on their property.

Ray gave the information to our Board of Appeals, they voted unanimously to approve it on February 13, 2023.

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – (cont'd)

3. RESOLUTION #16-23 RICHARD & JOANNE HENAHAN SPECIAL PERMIT #2-2023 –

The following resolution was presented by Dan Youngman, moved by Julie Aldrich, seconded by Adam Ellis,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wolcott Town Board approve the request of Richard & Joanne Henahan at the recommendation of the local Board of Appeals to the Town Board.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

4. RESOLUTION #17-23 AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR A SHORT ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW (SEQR) FORM FOR JEFFREY PAYNE-

The following resolution was presented by Dan Youngman, moved by Julie Aldrich, seconded by Adam Ellis,

WHEREAS, Jeffrey would like to add a second floor dwelling to his existing garage including exterior staircase and a deck onto his property located at 9343 Ingersoll Drive, Sterling; and

WHEREAS, our Local Law #1-2000, Section 502-C, states special permits are required to expand pre-existing structures on less than one acre of land in waterfront area; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer has reviewed said project and feels a negative declaration is in order; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, upon review, concurs with the Code Enforcement Officer and sees no negative impact environmentally.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign a negative declaration for said project.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

TOWN CLERK - Jessica Freer

1. Jessica provided an update on taxes, she said to date she has collected \$2,869,873.60, she says that is around 81% of the warrant. She said they will settle her warrant with Wayne County on April 12th, 2023 and will provide an update on final numbers.

2. Jessica said her Town Clerks Conference is at the end of April and that she would like to attend, The Board agreed.

COURT –

1. Jessica said the JCAP Grant was awarded to the Town in the amount of \$6,314.89 for security cameras and a filing cabinet.

SUPERVISOR - Lynn Chatfield
OLD BUSINESS -

1. Building Maintenance – Jessica spoke to a Charter/Spectrum representative regarding the call flow for the new phone system.
2. Handbook – Lynn said he will be working on this soon.
3. Blind Sodus Bay Water District – Dave Doyle provided an update, he said he has been waiting for prices to stabilize before new numbers can be given. Dave said Rural Development will have to be spoken with again regarding Grant Monies as he doesn't see the project being affordable for the residents now with the price of equipment.
4. Salt Barn – Lynn said a WQIP Grant was awarded for the project in the amount of \$500,000.00, and a grant was denied by LGE. Lynn said he has been in talks with Claudia Tenney's office regarding grant monies that are available to her district
5. Cemetery Monument Update – Spring Project. The Board decided to look for bids for the abandoned cemetery mowing. Jessica said she will place an ad in the paper requesting bids and they can be opened at April's meeting.
6. Blind Sodus Bay Bluff & Barrier Bar Status – Lynn said Barrier Bar is 90% designed and will be going to out bid soon.

NEW BUSINESS –

2023 Fire & Ambulance Contracts –

RESOLUTION #18-23 2023 WOLCOTT FIRE CONTRACT -

The following resolution was presented by Adam Ellis, moved by Julie Aldrich, seconded by Jorden Brown,

WHEREAS, the Town of Wolcott must have fire protection; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires for the town to have such protection; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott has authorized a contract with the Village of Wolcott for fire protection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to sign and contract with the Village of Wolcott for fire protection and to pay them the sum of \$33,523.35 for said services.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

RESOLUTION #19-23 2023 RED CREEK FIRE CONTRACT -

The following resolution was presented by Adam Ellis, moved by Jorden Brown, seconded by Julie Aldrich,

WHEREAS, the Town of Wolcott must have fire protection; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires for the town to have such protection; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Wolcott has authorized a contract with the Village of Red Creek for fire protection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to sign and contract with the Village of Red Creek for fire protection and to pay them the sum of \$38,706.00 for said services.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0 .

SUPERVISOR - (cont'd)
NEW BUSINESS – (cont'd)

RESOLUTION #20-23 2023 LAKESHORE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CONTRACT -

The following resolution was presented by Dan Youngman, moved by Jorden Brown, seconded by Adam Ellis,

WHEREAS, the Town of Wolcott must have ambulance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wolcott also includes the Village of Wolcott and the Village of Red Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Lakeshore Volunteer Ambulance covers a portion of the Town as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires for the town to have such coverage,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize the Supervisor to sign and contract with the Lakeshore Volunteer Ambulance and to pay them the sum of \$25,000.00 for their services.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0.

Lynn provided an update on the Wayne County Ambulance service, he said property has been acquired, buildings have been designed, and ambulances have been purchased.

Privilege of the Floor –

1. Lori Furguson asked about electronics recycling, Lynn said he will try to have one in the fall. Lori then asked about the Marine Sanctuary meeting that Lynn recently attended, Lynn replied that he didn't get any answers out of it, nor could you ask any questions.

Executive Session -

A motion was made by Julie Aldrich, seconded by Dan Youngman to move into executive session at 6:50 PM to discuss matters relating to a corporation.

VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0.

Close Executive Session -

A motion was made by Adam Ellis, seconded by Julie Aldrich to close executive session at 7:03 PM. VOTE - AYES 5 NAYS 0.

Zach said he is meeting with Dave Doyle on Wednesday to discuss the Salt Barn. Short Discussion ensued.

The next regular meeting of the Wolcott Town Board will be held April 18, 2023, at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall.

A motion was made by Julie Aldrich, seconded by Adam Ellis, to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Freer
Town Clerk