

The Town of Crown Point held a Regular Town Board Meeting Thursday August 24, 2023.

Members present: Supervisor Charles Harrington, Councilperson John Wayman, Councilperson Walter Worth, Councilperson Tara Peters, Councilperson Sherlene Barrows

Others present: Bruce Burns Highway Superintendent, Dorothy Hammond Campsite Manager, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Strack, Mary Jane Weld

Supervisor called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

C. Worth made the motion to accept and place on file the Minutes of July 20, 2023. C. Wayman second. All aye. Motion carried.

Communications

Ticonderoga Dog Park Rules

Final State of Emergency

NYS MWBE Compliance Form

Colin Managan

C. Barrows made the motion to accept and place on file all Communications. C. Wayman second. All aye. Motion carried.

Order of Business

C. Worth made the motion to support and authorization to submit DOS MWBE Compliance form. C. Peters second. All aye. Motion carried.

C. Barrows made the motion authorizing Supervisor to sign agreement with Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board. C. Wayman second. All aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Monitor Bay

Discussion on concerns of the revised Monitor Bay By-Laws.

Question on #1 Opens last Saturday of May and #3 2 payments for Seasonal Camping.

Changes can be made and brought back to the Board.

Penfield Museum

Penfield has requested monies. Supervisor Harrington has spoken to Essex County Manager and the monies the Town is receiving from ROOST the monies can be used for signage, advertising to draw people to the museum. Promoting Tourism.

Recent repairs Penfield have done repairing church roof, they want to paint the parsonage and replace decayed boards, repair summer kitchen and putting a new roof on the pavilion.

Suggestion of offering wilderness Camping? That has been looked into but the insurance would be too expensive.

Monies can be used even if Town does not own.

C. Barrows made the motion to award Penfield Museum a onetime payment of \$10,000.00 to be used for Tourism. C. Peters second. All aye. Motion carried.

Code Enforcement

Colin has been on vacation but the situation at Mr. King's remains the same. Highway Superintendent would like Colin and himself go out to the site and shown what has to be done. Law Enforcement should also be in attendance. Highway Superintendent should come up with the cost of the project. Highway can work on the project until snow flies. There will be no more concessions to Mr. King.

Highway

Highway is done working on the dirt roads they will be touched up to get through the winter.

Will be working on asphalt roads next week.

Superintendent has been approached making Carpenter and LaGrange Roads seasonal roads to be maintained from May 1st. Highway has been taking care of roads. LaGrange Road was taken off the books in 2016. Other roads to be considered releasing Rafferty Road, Fred Cary Road and Part of Penney Road.

If roads are designated seasonal we would still qualify for CHIPS monies.

Landfill Closure the Town has the original closure blueprints Essex County has suggested the Town advertise for proposals for closure and Letsonville Bridge.

The Highway has been assisting Ticonderoga Highway with Ticonderoga Airport since Ticonderoga has helped Crown Point.

Bruce has hired Kevin Mero to trap beavers that are plugging the culverts.

ANCA Grant has been applied for Highway Garage isolation and etc.

We have had a fuel tank inspection we must provide them with proof of insurance.

Water

Pearl Street and Fish Hatchery are functioning. A switch has to be replaced at the Fish Hatchery for power to the generator.

Sewer

Project is in the process to repair the UV System. The next project it will be suggested everything be in place before starting so all equipment and supplies be on site.

We have a proposal from current contractor on renting a needed pump would be much less expensive than having current pump transported. When project is complete all pumps will be reconditioned.

Parks

The entertainment in the Park was well received. The use of the new stage was successfully. Stage will be taken down for winter. We received positive review.

Suggested that enhancing Veteran's Park by placing a blacktopped sidewalk across the Park and benches. It would be an asset to the Park making it handicap accessible as well as a picnic station.

Question on redecking the old stage. The current stage cannot be repaired it would have to be replaced. Suggestion that it not be replaced an area could be formed using pavers or slate.

Library

No report seems to be functioning. The Librarian has informed C. Barrows she was excited about the attendance from the summer program.

Senior Citizens

Everything seems to be going well.

Supervisor and Town Clerk Report

C. Barrows made the motion to accept and place on file. C. Peters second. All aye. Motion carried.

Any Other Business

C. Worth question on units being billed for residents in sewer district. He feels residents have been over paying. Should be refunded from January 2023. There's 280 units 130 services and 150 properties that the sewer goes by.

He feels the whole debt should be divided evenly between all units.

This would have to go through the Water and Sewer Committee and Town Attorney considering the billing structure. The Committee should have a proposal to provide to the Board. C. Worth feels you should only have to pay for what you use. Could possibly go by acreage. Will go through the process and come back to the Board. C. Worth would like for the record that anyone that has overpaid be refunded overpayment from January 2023.

Comments from the Floor

Patrick and Ann Marie Strack have had a camp on Middle Road for 40 years. They have a moisture problem. Presented the Board for review they feel the culvert has to be removed or modified. Water comes out of the bank and goes down the from Connie Thatcher's to the lowest point which is Strack's and Lafountain's. The ground is saturated with water. Suggestion of extending the culvert. The Engineers cannot change the brook and DEC would not allow change. Bruce has spoken to Eugene Ingleston and Kevin Woods former Highway Superintendent's and Kevin Gadway. Councilperson Worth has been involved in reviewing problem. Mr. Strack would like the Board to review proposal for consideration. Suggestion of contacting the Office of Soil and Water to review Situation.

Minutes

C. Peters made the motion to dispense with the reading of the Minutes. C. Barrows second. All aye. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills

C. Peters presented to Supervisor for payment:

General Fund \$ 35,183.06

Highway 51,481.22

Water l	5,238.27
Sewer	2,472.56
NYSEFC	230,785.51
Hometown	351.56
Youth Comm	294.00

C. Wayman second. All aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment

C. Barrows made the motion to adjourn. C. Peters second. All aye. Motion carried.

Time

7:35

Attest to

Linda L. Woods

Town Clerk