

REGULAR BURKE TOWN BOARD MEETING
September 14, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Burke Town Board was held on September 14, 2021 at the Burke Town Court House. Supervisor Bill Wood declared the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call:	
Councilman:	Arnold Lobdell
	Tim Crippen
	Jim Otis
	Keith Trudeau
Supervisor:	Bill Wood
Supt. Of Highways:	Larry LaPlante
Town Clerk:	Judy Tavernier
Bookkeeper:	Linda Trudell
Code Officer:	Jim Dumont

This Regular Meeting is being voice recorded by the Burke Town Clerk, Judy Tavernier.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Minutes of the August 10, 2021 meeting were read and approved on a motion by Tim Crippen and seconded by Keith Trudeau. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Jim – abstain, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

No public comments at this time.

New Business:

1. Barton & Loguidice presented a proposal hiring them as Clerk of Works for the proposed Glengarry Solar Project to ensure compliance with contract. ACE Development Company, LLC (ACE) will establish \$15,000 escrow to start. Site inspections will be completed periodically and progress reports provided to the town. Arnold Lobdell made the motion to approve and sign this contract as **Resolution # 23** and Tim Crippen seconded. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Jim – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.
2. A request from Devin Demers to purchase property where skating rink was located. Deeds and minutes have been researched for skating rink restriction. Brian Stewart feels state resolution process should be completed. Billy Jones to provide form to remove skating rink restriction. Right of way was discussed. General consensus was to pursue and sell. Deeds and minutes will be researched for lot used as a baseball field.
3. Barton & Loguidice provided information regarding Building Permit Fee schedule related to energy projects at other towns. Noted if changing or fees, must have public hearing to change local laws. Bill Wood recommended \$1000 per rated megawatt for wind and \$500 per rated megawatt for solar. No decision at this time.
4. Public Hearing will be held October 12, 2021 at 6:30 pm to adopt Telecommunication Law presented by Brian Stewart. Copy of proposed law was distributed.
5. Public Hearing will be held October 12, 2021 at 6:45 pm to change local law to go over Tax Levy Cap.
6. USDA Payment – Arnold Lobdell made a motion to pay required \$1710 interest plus \$19,830 on principal at this time. Jim Otis seconded. Arnold - aye, Jim - aye, Tim - aye, Keith - aye, Bill – aye.
7. Bids for Grader – Three bids were received from J Martin Auctions LLC - \$3,050, Patrick Mayer - \$2,865, and Gary Monica - \$4,250. Gary Monica's bid of \$4,250 was highest and was awarded the bid on a motion by Keith Trudeau and seconded by Jim Otis. Arnold - aye, Jim - aye, Tim - aye, Keith - aye, Bill - aye
8. Budget work session will held Tuesday or Wednesday next week at 7:00 pm. Notice will be put in newspaper. Ambulance budget request was discussed. Total request is \$573,000 with Burke's portion at \$88,000. Various increases in other departments were discussed briefly and will be further discussed at work session. Salary increases were also discussed.

9. NYSLRS estimate was presented and discussed – tabled at this time.
10. Deputy Supervisor Jim Otis gave notice
11. AES has funding for community service projects. Burke Adult Center and repairs to buildings, trees and grounds at Sellars Field were suggested. Courthouse parking lot needs to be repaved or sealed.
12. Suggestions for ARPA funding included Courthouse air conditioning/ventilation, well or water system at Courthouse. ARPA Report due by October 31, 2021. Loss of income for court, hours paid for workers not at work, and utilizing town hall as emergency center and improve for public hearings. Grant was submitted for generator.

Old Business:

13. Boiler inspection has been completed and passed.
14. Broken window repair estimated at \$215. Tim Crippen made the motion to repair. Jim Otis seconded. Arnold - aye, Jim - aye, Tim - aye, Keith - aye, Bill - aye
15. Back door replacement is being researched by Larry LaPlante.

No Highway Committee Report

Highway Superintendent's Report – Assisted Chateaugay and Malone with paving and they helped us in return. Hauling sand to garage and mixing with salt as piled. Trimmed trees by Finney Road. Callahan Road has been blacktopped. Salt price remained about the same. Serviced one truck- '18 Volvo. Parts ordered for Ford.

Code Officers Report – No income for August– Arnold Lobdell made the motion to accept the report. Keith Trudeau seconded. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Jim – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

Financial Report was reviewed and two corrections made. Tim Crippen made a motion to move funds from Townwide DB account to Town Outside. Keith Trudeau seconded. Arnold - aye, Jim - aye, Tim - aye, Keith - aye, Bill – aye. Financial Report was approved on a motion by Jim Otis and seconded by Arnold Lobdell. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Jim – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye. Bank statements have not yet been received.

No Public Comments at this time.

Bills were paid.

A motion to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. was made by Tim Crippen and seconded by Keith Trudeau. Roll Call: Arnold – aye, Jim – aye, Tim – aye, Keith – aye, Bill – aye.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Tavernier, Town Clerk

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