

TOWN OF SENECA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 19TH, 2021

The Public Hearings & Regular Meeting of the Seneca Town Board, County of Ontario, State of New York was held at 3675 Flint Road, Stanley, NY 14561 on the 19TH day of October 2021 at 7:30 PM.

PRESENT	
Drew Wickham	Town Supervisor
Jason Mosher	Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman
Howard Keeney	Councilman
Jim Malyj	Councilman
Jesse Orbaker	Councilman
Haley Eagley	Town Clerk
Shana Jo Hilton	Assessor
Jim Lawson	Highway Superintendent
Brian Sanders	Manager of Ontario County Landfill
PRESENTATION BY:	
Tracey Dello Stritto	Partnership for Ontario County
Andrew Rude	Council on Alcohol & Addictions

Supervisor Wickham opened the Public Hearing for Local Law #1 of 2021 at 7:30 PM. This Local Law will establish that the town opts-out of real property tax exemption for certain energy systems. Supervisor Wickham offered the floor to anyone who wished to comment in favor of or against this local law. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the public hearing for Local Law #1 of 2021 was closed at 7:31 PM.

Supervisor Wickham then opened the Public Hearing for the 2022 Budget at 7:31 PM. He noted that they did decide to add in a loader on the Highway Department Budget. The Town of Seneca 2022 appropriations are set to be \$5,341,762.00 and the estimated revenue is \$4,288,300.00. Supervisor Wickham offered the floor to anyone who wished to comment in favor of or against the 2022 Operating Budget. All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the public hearing for the 2022 Town of Seneca Operating Budget was closed at 7:32 PM.

At 7:33 PM, Supervisor Wickham called the regular meeting to order. The Supervisor led the pledge of allegiance. Roll call was completed so that all in attendance were acquainted. It was declared that CEO Hoover, Water Superintendent Prater, and Historian Mastellar were necessarily absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting. The approval was motioned by Councilman Mosher and seconded by Councilman Keeney. Motion carried. There were no additions to the agenda.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Privilege of the floor was offered, and nobody wished to speak at this time.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Wickham invited Tracey Dello Stritto and Andrew Rude to give their presentation on the Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act. We enjoyed having them and hearing the facts on the usage, dispensing, cultivating, and taxing of cannabis. Their presentation is available to view at the town during regular business hours.

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Following the presentation, Supervisor Wickham noted that a Public Works Maintenance Assistant and our Town Constable have resigned. Our Town Court officials are actively seeking a replacement for the Town Constable position. Supervisor Wickham also noted that we are still looking for someone to fulfill the town representative position for Ontario County Planning Board.

Deputy Supervisor Mosher looked for a motion to approve the September 21st, 2021 and September 30th, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion was made by Councilman Keeney and seconded by Councilman Orbaker. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

All communications were reviewed and are available to view at the Town Hall upon Request.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The reports were reviewed by the board and are available to view in person, upon request, at the Town Hall.

HIGHWAY: Highway Superintendent Lawson noted that they've had some issues this year with the new road striping company that is under the county contract. They've had trouble getting paint supplies. He wanted to inform everyone that the striping that has been done in the town so far is probably all that we will see in this town for this year.

HISTORIAN: While Historian Masteller was noted necessarily absent, Supervisor Wickham commented that our historian was able to locate a hand sketch of one of our former Town Supervisors by the name of H. Joel Rice. She has been working on filling the Town Supervisor frame that's been in our public meeting room. She has a couple more to locate.

LANDFILL: Mr. Sanders stated that construction is going well. All the gas work and seeding is complete on the capping project. All storm water infrastructure is placed on the slopes. They finished cleaning out the ditch that goes to storm water pond #5. They will be placing the turf in the ditch along the east side which will take roughly a week. He was is hoping to complete the final walk through with the DEC and the contractor by next Wednesday. Once that is done, the project will be handed back to Mr. Sanders and his team and it will become maintenance from here on out. The seeder is lined up to complete the slope above the final. All of the liner is placed in the cell and they've started placing Type-A stone and that is all going well. Mr. Sanders anticipates having that done towards the end of next week. Mr. Sanders will have more updates on the projects next week.

With that, Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to accept the Supervisor, CEO, and Town Clerk's financial report. Motion was made by Councilman Keeney and seconded by Councilman Malyj. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTIONS

RES. NUMBER	TITLE	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	MOTION	SECOND
#84-21	Authorization payment of 2021 Audited Vouchers	5	0	0	Councilman Orbaker	Councilman Mosher
#85-21	2021-2022 County Snow Contract	5	0	0	Councilman Mosher	Councilman Orbaker
#86-21	Highway Employee Hire	5	0	0	Councilman Keeney	Councilman Mosher
#87-21	Adopting Local Law #1 of 2021	5	0	0	Councilman Malyj	Councilman Orbaker

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Wickham wanted to remind everyone that Election Day is Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021 at the Town of Seneca Pavilion. We encourage all to get out and vote!

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Privilege of the floor was offered, and nobody wished to speak at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing left to be said, Councilman Keeney made motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Malyj. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM PM.

Respectfully,
Haley S. Eagley
Town Clerk
Town of Seneca