

TOWN OF SENECA
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15th, 2021

The 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 15th day of June 2021 at 7:30 PM.

PRESENT	
Drew Wickham	Supervisor
Jason Mosher	Deputy Supervisor/ Councilman
Howard Keeney	Councilman
Jim Malyj	Councilman
Jesse Orbaker	Councilman
Haley Eagley	Town Clerk/ Tax Collector
Brian Prater	Water Superintendent
Jim Lawson	Highway Superintendent
Kathy Mastellar	Town Historian
Brian Sanders	Manager of Ontario County Landfill

Supervisor Wickham called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The Supervisor led the pledge of allegiance. Roll call was passed over as all in attendance were acquainted. It was declared Assessor Hilton was 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 Orbaker. 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

VERIZON TOWER: There is discussion of having a Verizon Cell Tower placed on Olson Road at the Water Tank Site. Supervisor Wickham stated that they are nearing the point where the discussions will wrap up and they will decide. At this point, both Verizon and the Town of Seneca are interested in that location, and we will continue to move forward. Supervisor Wickham explained that he is unsure how fast this project will move, but that he wanted to get this information out to the town. Verizon told Supervisor Wickham that this tower was not to increase service as much as it is meant to carry the load and that the current surrounding towers are being overrun.

With that, Supervisor Wickham looked for motion to approve the minutes from the May 18th, 2021 meeting. Motion was made by Councilman Keeney and seconded by councilman Malyj. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

HIGHWAY: The replacement of some cross-culverts will be commencing shortly here in the town. Please check the town Facebook page and the town website for more details about locations and dates of closure.

LANDFILL: Mr. Sanders stated construction is going well. They are working on backfilling the anchor trench. Mr. Sanders stated that odors have been minimal. The odors are present every now and again but for the most part an exceptionally low presence. Mr. Sanders discussed that they are starting to lay the gravel for the access road. They have the straw blanket down, which has been hydroseeded and fertilized. They have some grass starting to grow there.

Casella hosted a job shadowing event for some of the students at the Finger Lakes Technical and Career Center. Mr. Sanders said that went well and he would like to have events like that more often as he would like to see local students to stay local.

Supervisor Wickham stated that he received some calls about cleaning up the transfer station. Mr. Sanders agreed and explained that they wanted to start working on removing items more frequently and manage that space a little better. He said he was open to any suggestions with the transfer station.

Councilman Malyj inquired about the foam process that they are using there. He wondered if the foam was meant to hold down odors or if it was meant to hold debris down. Mr. Sanders explained that the requirement for cover is that it must control wind-blown litter and that the foam is an equivalent to soil. When they went through the trials with the vendor, Mr. Sanders retrieved all the information about the chemicals used to produce this foam and they did demonstrations. Casella had the D.E.C. present as well as Supervisor Wickham when they did their trial run. Supervisor Wickham explained that the foam is a really good alternative to the soil as it safely prevents them from having to use dirt and it preserves the useable space in the landfill, which will ultimately extend the life.

Mr. Sanders explained that the trial run was completed on May 31st, so he hopes to see some more data back soon.

Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to approve the Supervisor, Town Clerk, and CEO Report. Motion made by Councilman Mosher and seconded by Councilman Orbaker.

RESOLUTIONS

RES. NUMBER	TITLE	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
#65-21	Authorization to pay the 2021 Audited Vouchers	5	0	0	Councilman Malyj	Councilman Keeney
#66-21	Authorizing Expenditures from the Recreation Reserve.	5	0	0	Councilman Malyj	Councilman Orbaker
#67-21	Declare Surplus Equipment	5	0	0	Councilman Keeney	Councilman Orbaker
#68-21	Authorize Purchase of Water Truck	5	0	0	Councilman Mosher	Councilman Keeney

***A note about the Water Truck:** The insurance company is giving us a little over \$24,000 for the surplus Water Pick-up and the quote received for state bid on the new replacement pick-up was for about \$32,000.

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OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Wickham called for any old business. He made mention that we had a nice Memorial Day Service. It was a beautiful morning with great weather. Walt Brown did an amazing job speaking as a World War II Veteran. Assemblyman Gallahan added great comments. Supervisor Wickham stated that it was a real moment of pride for our town and that we will continue with that in future years.

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00 PM Councilman Keeney made motion to enter executive session under the Open Meetings Law: Article 7, Section 105, Sub-Section F: "For the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person, or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation." Councilman Keeney seconded that and the board exited to the conference room for executive session.

At 8:19 PM Councilman Malyj made motion to exit executive session, seconded by Councilman Orbaker. Councilman Mosher made motion to adjourn the June board meeting, motion was seconded by Councilman Keeney and at 8:20 PM the board meeting was officially adjourned.

Respectfully,
Haley S. Eagley
Town Clerk
Town of Seneca