

**TOWN OF SENECA**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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<b>PRESENT</b>	
Drew Wickham	Town Supervisor
Howard Keeney	Councilman
Jim Malyj	Councilman
Jesse Orbaker	Councilman
Haley Eagley	Town Clerk/ Tax Collector
Shana Jo Hilton	Town Assessor
Kathy Mastellar	Town Historian
Jim Lawson	Highway Superintendent
Dan Jones	Ontario County Landfill

At 7:30 pm Supervisor Wickham led the Pledge of Allegiance and completed Roll Call so that all in attendance were acquainted. He noted that CEO Hoover, Councilman Mosher, and Water Superintendent Coolbaugh were necessarily absent. The Public Hearing for Local Law #3-2024 opened at 7:30 pm. Supervisor Wickham looked for comment or input that was for or against said local law. Being none, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:31 pm.

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 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024 at 7:31 pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting. The approval was motioned by Councilman Malyj and seconded by Councilman Orbaker. Motion carried. Supervisor Wickham requested to eliminate the Town of Geneva Water Rate Letter from the agenda and had two additions to the communications to add. Councilman Keeney made a motion to amend the agenda and the motion was seconded by Councilman Orbaker.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Privilege of the Floor was offered, and Town Resident Bill Roberts wished to add something. He inquired about the buildings at the transfer station and wondered if they were town-owned or owned by Casella and who is responsible for maintaining them. His reason for asking is that there are a lot of brush and trees growing up against the side. He also added that there is a door and a piece of siding that blew off of a building there and is laying a long way away from the building. His concern is seeing a building destroyed due to lack of maintenance. Supervisor Wickham appreciated Mr. Roberts attending the meeting and stating his concerns and said that he would have a conversation with Mr. Sanders and Mr. Jones to determine who is responsible for maintaining that building to get it cleaned up.

Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to approve the June 18<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes. The motion was made by Councilman Orbaker and Seconded by Councilman Malyj.

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**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**CASELLA:** Mr. Jones was in attendance. He stated that construction was right on schedule and they're still shooting for the end of October or November. He explained that the weather provides challenges everyday but that everything is going as smoothly as it can.

**HIGHWAY:** Councilman Orbaker commended the Highway Department for getting so much work done and all working together well. They've been doing a great job.

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**TOWN CLERK:** Supervisor Wickham explained that the towns are responsible to cover the dog control officer and dog facility and have been. The County has rationed that cost out to each town by how many dogs they have active. They're looking to change that and switch the cost to how many residents each town has. Councilman Malyj inquired about the number of renewals on Clerk Eagley's report. He thought it seemed a little low for a whole month. Clerk Eagley explained that the numbers vary monthly and in addition to that some people don't renew their dog licenses on time, which makes the number lower.

Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to accept the Supervisor, Town Clerk, and CEO Financial Reports. A motion was made by Councilman Keeney and Seconded by Councilman Malyj.

**WARRANTS, NEW BUSINESS, AND OLD BUSINESS**

RES. NUMBER	TITLE	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	MOTION	SECOND
#59-24	Authorization to pay the 2024 Audited Vouchers	4	0	1	Councilman Orbaker	Councilman Malyj
#60-24	Approve BOCES Salt Contract	4	0	1	Councilman Keeney	Councilman Orbaker
#61-24	Approve Local Law #3-2024	4	0	1	Councilman Orbaker	Councilman Malyj

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Privilege of the Floor was offered, and Mr. Townley added that he would like to see the transfer station cleaned up a bit better. He said there is often junk and nails in front of the dumpsters. He's heard other neighbors speak about it. He acknowledges that they wouldn't be able to get the entire parking lot spotless. He recommended the possibility of leaving a shovel and broom out there so that maybe individuals would clean up after themselves. He wished people would look after they're own and other cars by cleaning up after themselves.

Mr. Roberts added that it was nice to see the room so full. Adding that when he was on the Town Board in the 1960's, there were two councilmen, two justices, the supervisor, the Town Clerk and the Highway Superintendent were the only ones that attended the meetings. He said rarely was there any others involved in the meeting and that most of the time it was just those seven people.

Supervisor Wickham looked for anyone else that wished to speak. Highway Superintendent Lawson added that Kristie at the Transfer Station is always outside cleaning up and wanted to give her credit for that.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:53 pm, Supervisor Wickham looked for a motion to go into executive session for discussions regarding proposed, pending, or current litigation. Councilman Keeney made the motion that was seconded by Councilman Orbaker. There will be no business to complete during or after the executive session. At 8:15 pm a motion was made by Councilman Orbaker to exit executive session. That motion was seconded by Councilman Malyj. At 8:16 pm a motion was made by Councilman Keeney to adjourn the regular monthly meeting of the Town Board and the motion was seconded by Councilman Malyj.

Respectfully,

Haley Eagley  
Town Clerk