

TB Mtg February 11, 2021  
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING  
VIA – Go To Meeting

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:02pm

SUPERVISOR DePASQUALE OPENED THE MEETING WITH A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR ALEXA MCGOWAN AND GARY KLOIBER FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

PRESENT: Councilman David Arcara  
Councilman Jesse Hrycik  
Councilwoman Patricia Zurbrick  
Councilman Gerald Pietraszek  
Supervisor James DePasquale

ALSO

PRESENT: Highway Superintendent Paul Clarkson  
Bldg. Insp/Code Enf. Officer John Kotlarsz  
Asst. Bldg. Insp/Fire Insp. Thomas Dzuilko  
Town Clerk Christina Kerlin  
Approximately 3 Residents

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Councilman Arcara and seconded by Councilman Pietraszek and unanimously approved the minutes of the 2021 Organization meeting and January 10, 2021 Town Board Regular meeting as presented.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### BUILDING REPORT

Town Board commended Kalei Brautlaucht for the snow removal on the Town Hall roof as well as her snow removal on the sidewalks and gazebo. There was some discussion on ice build up at the front entrance of the Town Hall possibly looking at heating cables for on the roof.

### CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

Report for the month of January 2021 – Bldg. Insp/Code Enf. Officer, John Kotlarsz reported that there were:

2 Building permits issued  
1 building permit withdrawn  
20 Certificates of Compliance  
4 Fire inspections  
1 Phone Complaint

CEO John Kotlarsz & Asst. CEO Tom Dziulko attended training school.  
Environmental Board reviewed the Long SEQR form for the Dollar General.  
A shed at 8430 State Road was removed from the front yard, owner is now in compliance.

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

No report

#### DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Councilman Arcara read the following DCO report for January 1, 2021 – January 31, 2021.  
The month of January was slow a total of seven calls,  
A report of a dog on Abbott Hill Road referred to Boston DCO.  
Report of a duck on Lower East Hill Road went and looked and no duck found.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REPORT

Councilman Pietraszek reported that the Environmental Board met and reviewed the Long SEQR form parts 1 and 2 for the proposed Dollar General Store and waiting on the finalized recommendation from the chairman.

“Thank you” to Walt Kammer for all his extra tech support for the virtual meeting.

Supervisor DePasquale asked the Town Board to refrain from any comments on social media and to remain neutral and stress that constitutes contact Town representatives on any matters or concerns related to the Dollar General or any other concerns.

#### HIGHWAY REPORT & PARKS

Highway Superintendent Clarkson presented his “Agreement to Spend” for the year 2021.

#### Approve “Agreement to Spend”

MOTION made by Councilman Hrycik and seconded by Councilman Arcara and unanimously approved to sign the 2021 Highway Agreement to Spend in the amount of \$118,079. for 5.56 miles of town highways, including sluice and culverts.

Highway Superintendent Clarkson stated that Representative David DePetro reported that funding for EWR and PAVE NY will be cut along with a 20% decrease in CHIPS funding.

Quite a bit of damage to town roads this year with the cold weather when things settle in the spring an assessment will be done on all town roads and culverts where there is no base under the culvert.

There have been minimal problems this winter but there has been a lot of hours put in for the winter months.

#### INSURANCE REPORT

No report

#### LIBRARY REPORT

Councilman Hrycik reported that the West Falls Library will be offering the following:  
Science and Story Time, Wednesday, February 17, 1:30pm – 2:15pm grade K- 3<sup>rd</sup>  
NYS Pistol Training Course Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 10am-1pm

Boston Library is offering Virtual Story Time check the library website for times.

#### PERSONNEL & TRAINING REPORT

No report

#### PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Councilman Hrycik reported that there is a virtual GoTo Meeting planned for February on the Dollar General Site Plan.

#### WATER REPORT

Councilman Pietraszek reported at the present time water consumption billed to ECWA for the prior month was 1,680,000 gallons at a cost of \$4,523.12 + \$267.61 = \$4,790.73 expenditure.

-Infrastructure charge increased to \$267.61 from \$261.38 per month

-Water charge increase \$2.63 to \$2.69

-Following senior center water issue, no extraneous water usage since upstairs toilet turned off the flush sensor is bad.

-Greg is still monitoring for leaks in the snow it is difficult so there is a hold at the present time.

#### YOUTH/ADULT RECREATION REPORT

Councilman Zurbrick reported soccer registration has started and a letter explaining Covid protocol was sent home with students at Colden Elementary along with the registration form.

The form is also located on the town's website under the recreation department as well as posting on Colden Facebook page and theTtown Facebook page.

#### OLD BUSINESS

None

#### NEW BUSINESS

None

#### RESOLUTIONS

**BUDGET TRANSFERS**

None

**TOWN CLERK REPORT**

Town Clerk Kerlin reported that the 2021 Town & County tax bills will be mailed out tomorrow and are due March 15<sup>th</sup>.

NYS DEC is offering Free Fishing Days this weekend February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.

Erie County Soil & Water Tree & Shrub Seedling Program order forms are at the Town Hall and on the ECS&W website. Due Date is March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**SUPERVISOR’S REPORT**

Supervisor DePasquale reported that the Dollar General process is not a done deal the Environmental Board met to review the Long SEQR form. Planning Board will meet to review the site plan and if needed the action will go before the Zoning Board of Appeals before the matter reaches the Town Board nothing is rubber stamped. There is a process to follow and if there are any concerns or problems the Town Board urges the public to talk with the Town Board members not on social media. A statement will be prepared for the town website or Facebook page explaining the process on this matter.

Supervisor DePasquale stated that he will be released from quarantine on Saturday and he can be reached by phone, all calls are forwarded to his cell phone so do not hesitate to contact him. The Town Clerk does have her calls forwarded as well.

**PAY BILLS**

MOTION made by Councilman Pietraszek and seconded by Councilman Arcara and unanimously approved to pay the following bills.

General Fund Warrant Voucher #2020-435 to #2020-450	\$ 3,725.80
Highway Fund Abstract Voucher #2020-204 to #2020-206	\$ 921.57
Lighting District Voucher #2020-22 to #2020-23	\$ 1,414.23
Water District Voucher #2020-80 to #2020-81	\$ 98.75
Refuse District Voucher #2020-14	\$ 790.89

General Fund Warrant Voucher #2021-13 to #2021-48	\$24,233.30
Highway Fund Abstract Voucher #2021-04-#2021-19	\$16,429.07
Water District Voucher #2021-02 to #2021-07	\$ 5,108.02
Lighting District Voucher #2021-01	\$ 1,231.47
Refuse Fund Voucher #2021-01	\$21,476.40

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Bernie Horschel asked if court is back open for matters, he does have some court appearances tickets to write out but if not open he will hold off. Supervisor DePasquale stated that as of now they are still closed, but he will check with both Judges as well as Jaimie to see if courts have opened back up.

**ADJOURN**

MOTION made by Councilwoman Zurbrick and seconded by Councilman Pietraszek and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina M. Kerlin  
Town Clerk