January 11, 2024 Town of Afton Chenango County

Present at our regular Board Meeting were Supervisor John Lawrence; Councilmen Jamie Baciuska, Chris Warren, Robert Tallmadge, and Calvin Tallmadge; Hwy Superintendent Kirk Hoyt; DCO Amy Cross; Sanitation Officer Bailey DeBetta, Historian Mel Hager. Absent: Assessor Caitlyn Brown

Visitors:

Honorable Don Ouimet, Lisa Jaindl, and Barb Weeden.

Bills and Claims were audited and ordered paid as follows:

General Fund
2023, Abstract no 14, claims no 188-194, totaling \$3,801.45
2024, Abstract no 1, claim no 1-10, totaling \$8,529.10
Highway Fund
2023, Abstract no 14, claims no 146-155, totaling \$8,740.35
2024, Abstract no 1, claim no 1, totaling \$2,570.37

Regular meeting was called to order at 7pm with the Salute to the Flag.

Motion to accept the meeting minutes of December 14, 2023, made by Robert Tallmadge, seconded by Jamie Baciuska.

Motion to pay bills and claims made by Jamie Baciuska, seconded by Calvin Tallmadge.

Public hearing opened at 7:02 pm to address the Town's purchase of land resolution requiring a Permissive Referendum, dated December 14, 2023, belonging to Terrance Orr for the purpose of creating a walking trail. There are no questions or concerns from the public. Motion to close public hearing at 7.04 pm. Motion made by Robert Tallmadge seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Communications:

1/ Letter from Afton CSG LLC Solar, Hayley Effler, an update of the line adjustment on the access road-shared tractor road with adjoining land owners. No concerns from the Board.

Committee Reports:

- 1/ Assessor, absent
- 2/ Financial, reports distributed and filed
- 3/ Sanitation, Bailey gave an update on the appearance ticket for the Hilltop Drive property.
- 4/ Highway, Kirk gave an review of the Culvert Funding from DOT, application process, For Miller Road and St Johns Road. Grant funds cover 100%. The new truck has been pushed out till late summer. Work on the Broom will take another month.

In the matter of the Qualified Abandonment of a portion of Oxbow Road, Town of Afton Resolution no 1-24. Motion to accept made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried. See attached Resolution no 1-24

- 5/ DCO, report distributed and filed. Training in November.
- 6/ Building, Robert spoke with Dan Brown of DASNY, final state of Sam Grant, Four to six months longer.
- 7/ Historian, report distributed and filed. Mel spoke on behalf of the DAR, Working on America 250, celebration of July 4, 2026. Get committee together for the big day.

Old Business:

- 1/ Resolution 2-24, to transfer unassigned funds to an investment portfolio with NYClass, tabled for next month.
- 2/ Afton CSG LLC Solar, decommission plan up to \$450,000, had no problem with the increase request. Question of escalator of project. Table till next month.

New Business:

- 1/ Reorganization for 2024 as follows, with changes:
 - a/ Monthly meeting at 6:15 pm to audit Bills & Claims. Regular meeting to start at 6:30 pm, on the second Thursday of each month.
 - b/ Town Bank, NBT Bank NA
 - c/ Historian, Mel Hager
 - d/ Town hall custodian, Sandra Reiling
 - e/ Deputy Town Clerk pay \$15 per hour
 - f/ Deputy Town Supervisor, open
 - g/ Permission to pay salaried employees
 - h/ Mileage at .65 per mile for Town business
 - i/ Meeting rules, Roberts Rules of Order, most recent copy adding that Town Supervisor has the authority to make and second a Board motion/resolution
 - j/ Assessment Board of Review compensation of \$15 per hour
 - k/ DCO, Amy Cross
 - I/ Sanitation Code Officer, Bailey Debetta
 - m/ Records Management, Sandra Reiling
 - n/ Building/Grounds Committee Chair, Robert Tallmadge
 - o/ Special meeting notice posted on Town Hall front door and Town web site
 - p/ Building Permits, signed by either Town Supervisor or Town Clerk
 - q/ Town Attorney, David Berger
 - r/ Registrar of Vital Statistics for Town and Village, Sandra Reiling Motion to approve the Reorganization for 2024, made by Chris Warren seconded by Calvin Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.
- 2/ Budget Adjustments for 2023
 Transfer \$214.93 from A1010.4 to A1110.4, Justice Contractual

Budget Adjustments for 2023

Transfer \$9,270.25 from A9010.8 to A1620.4

Transfer \$3,000.00 from A9030.8 to A1620.4

Transfer \$1,350.95 from A1420.4 to A1910.4

Transfer \$294.10 from A5132.2 to A5110.1

Transfer \$390.00 from A5132.2 to A5110.4

Transfer \$3,299.68 from Contingency A1990.4 to A4560.4

Transfer \$181.54 from DA 9060.8 to DA9055.8

Transfer \$11,851.50 from DB5110.4 to DB5112.2

Transfer \$7,466.00 from DB5110.4 to DB9010.8

Transfer \$181.53 from DB5110.4 to DB9055.8

Transfer \$1,551.82 from Unassigned Funds to SL5182.4

Motion to approve the Budget adjustments, made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

3/ Harassment and Discrimination Annual Training Webinar, February 14 at 9 am

4/ Audits for the Town and Justice Accounts to be held on 2/8/2024 at 5:30 pm

Recognition of Visitors: Honorable Don Ouimet, Court is working on old tickets and fines, reminders being sent out. Will be trying something new, Judgements to county for unpaid tickets and fines.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:52 pm made by Calvin Tallmadge seconded by Robert Tallmadge. All in favor, motion so carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Sandra D Reiling

Clerk of the Board

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New York Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System

Municipal Cooperation Resolution

WHEREAS, New York General Municipal Law, Article 5-G, Section 119-o (Section 119-o) empowers municipal corporations [defined in Article 5-G, Section 119-n to include school districts, boards of cooperative educational services, counties, cities, towns and villages, and districts] to enter into, amend, cancel, and terminate agreements for the performance among themselves (or one for the other) of their respective functions, powers, and duties on a cooperative or contract basis;

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