

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES VAN ETTEN TOWN BOARD
JANUARY 14, 2021**

RESOLUTIONS THIS MEETING
BEGIN 13-21 THRU 14-20

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF TOWN OF VAN ETTEN WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TOWN SUPERVISOR GEORGE KETURI AT 7:15 PM, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 2021 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING.

ROLL CALL OF TOWN BOARD

HAROLD SHOEMAKER-COUNCILPERSON/DEPUTY SUPV.
FRED SWAYZE, JR.-COUNCILPERSON
PENNY FLORA-COUNCILPERSON
ANDREW LARISON-COUNCILPERSON
GEORGE KETURI-SUPERVISOR

TOWN OFFICERS

HEATHER GABLE-TOWN JUSTICE-EXC
TIM GRIPPO-H'WAY SUPT.-EXC
MARY JO LECLAIRE-ASSESSOR-EXC
DAWN ROSE-TOWN CLERK
TJ SWARTOUT-CODE ENFORCEMENT &
DOG CTRL.-EXC
BONNIE MALLEN-CEMETERY CURATOR
AND TOWN HISTORIAN-EXC
WATER OPERATOR-HEATHER GABLE-EXC

OTHERS PRESENT: HEATHER DUNBAR, MAUREEN TUIITE, THOMAS TUIITE AND BOB DICKENS.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SWAYZE, JR. AND SECONDED BY FLORA TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 23, 2020. ALL AYE. CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE READ AND ON FILE WITH THE TOWN CLERK

- ASSOCIATION OF TOWNS VIRTUAL 2021 TRAINING SCHOOL-SEE FILE

REPORTS FROM TOWN OFFICERS:

- TOWN JUSTICE-HEATHER GABLE-REPORT FILED
- ASSESSOR-MARY JO LECLAIRE-REPORT FILED
- BUDGET OFFICER-GEORGE KETURI- REPORT FILED AND KETURI READ FIRST PAGE OF DECEMBER 2020 BUDGET REPORT.
- TOWN CLERK-DAWN ROSE-REPORT FILED
 - CHECK FOR \$309.58 PRESENTED TO G. KETURI/TOWN SUPV.
- TOWN HISTORIAN-BONNIE MALLEN-REPORT FILED
- PARK COMMISSION-VERBAL REPORT
 - KETURI NOTED TOWN RECEIVED \$2,500 FROM COUNTY GRANT FOR PAINTING AND STAINING BANFIELD SQUARE PAVILION.
- DOG CONTROL-TJ SWARTOUT-REPORT FILED
 - NYS AG & MARKETS REPORTS INSPECTION REPORTS FOR SCHUYLER COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY.
- CODE OFFICER-TJ SWARTOUT- REPORT FILED
- BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-HAROLD SHOEMAKER-VERBAL REPORT
 - SHOEMAKER REPORTED AS FOLLOWS:
 - SNOW REMOVAL AROUND TOWN HALL ON TRACK.
 - NEW DUMPSTER FOR TOWN HALL TO BE MOVED OUT BEHIND BUILDING WHEN WEATHER PERMITS.
- CF&R FIRE CO-REPORT FILED
 - FUEL CHECK (#1348) RECEIVED IN AMOUNT OF \$261.21 FOR 2020 4TH QUARTER.
- SHOEMAKER-RAMS-NO MEETING PER SHOEMAKER
- HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT-TIM GRIPPO-REPORTS FILED

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- CHECK PRESENTED TO KETURI FOR \$26.35 (CHECK #012107) FROM GOODALL LANDSCAPING FOR POSTAGE REIMBURSEMENT FOR TITLE.
- TOWN SUPERVISOR-GEORGE KETURI-VERBAL REPORT
 - KETURI WORKING ON CLOSING 2020.
- WATER OPERATOR-HEATHER GABLE-REPORT FILED
- WATER COMMITTEE DIRECTOR-HAROLD SHOEMAKER- REPORT FILED AND SHOEMAKER READ FIRST PAGE OF DECEMBER 2020 WATER BUDGET REPORT.
- CEMETERY-BONNIE MALLEN-NO REPORT FILED

ALL OFFICERS WRITTEN REPORTS ARE ON FILE WITH TOWN CLERK.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY LARISON AND SECONDED BY FLORA TO ACCEPT THE OFFICER'S REPORTS AS PRESENTED. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AUDIT COMMITTEE-GENERAL-H. SHOEMAKER

A ACCT: \$16,859.67
FIRE: \$90,000

HIGHWAY/WATER-H. SHOEMAKER

DA ACCTS: \$2,367.83
SW (WATER): \$713.67

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

N/A

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KETURI AND SECONDED BY FLORA AND CARRIED TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF AUDITED VOUCHERS AS RECOMMENDED BY AUDIT COMMITTEE OF SWAYZE, JR. AND SHOEMAKER. ALL AYE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS:

- SHOEMAKER NOTED STILL WORKING ON CEMETERY TREES WITH MR. POMPA AND MR. SEYMOUR.
- SHOEMAKER STATED SPENCER POLICE PRESENTATION WILL BE AT LATER DATE.
 - COMMITTEE UPDATES-
 - STREETLIGHTS-ANDY LARISON
 - LARISON WILL EMAIL NYSEG FOR LED REPLACEMENT OF TWO LIGHTS.
 - SIDEWALKS-FRED SWAYZE, JR./TJ SWARTOUT
 - WATER DIRECTOR-HAROLD SHOEMAKER
 - SHOEMAKER HAS BEEN INFORMED OF LEAK AND IS INVESTIGATING.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE:

MR. DICKENS NOTED CONCERNS WITH SNOW REMOVAL FROM SIDEWALKS. SHOEMAKER STATED HE DROVE AROUND AND MADE NOTE OF HOME OWNERS THAT HAD NOT REMOVED SNOW FROM SIDEWALKS AND WOULD LIKE TO SEND LETTER (SHOEMAKER READ DRAFT LETTER, SEE FILE). MR. DICKENS IS CONCERNED WITH SAFETY AND WHERE TO PUT ALL OF SNOW. MR. DICKENS RECOMMENDED REMINDER ON WATER BILLS. MR. DICKENS ASKED ABOUT SPENCER POLICE COVERAGE AND SWAYZE, JR. STATED MS. KAREN FRICK HAS INVITED SPENCER POLICE TO CONDUCT PRESENTATION FOR TOWN BOARD.

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MS. DUNBAR ASKED ABOUT STATUS OF 83 MAIN STREET AND KETURI NOTED IT WAS SOLD TO MR. JOEL KLOSE. MS. DUNBAR ASKED FOR BRIEF SUMMARIES OF RESOLUTIONS IN FUTURE. MS. DUNBAR INFORMED BOARD SHE COULD ASSIST WITH GRANTS FOR ARTISTS TO COME TO PAVILION IN FUTURE. MS. DUNBAR THANKED EVERYONE FOR ASSISTANCE DURING ELECTION.

MR. TUIE OWNS 12 ACRES IN WATER DISTRICT WITH NO ACCESS TO WATER (CEMETERY ROAD BRIDGE IS OUT) AND HE FEELS HE SHOULDN'T PAY WATER DEBT SERVICE FEE. MR. TUIE INDICATED WATER AND ACCESS AREN'T AVAILABLE TO THIS LAND AND IT'S USELESS. TOWN BOARD WILL REVIEW.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #13-21

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN APPROVES DISSOLVING WATER COMMITTEE FOR WATER DISTRICT. SPONSOR-KETURI. SECONDED-LARISON. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AT 8:12 PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY SHOEMAKER AND SECONDED BY SWAYZE, JR. AND CARRIED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTION SESSION. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AT 8:36 PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY KETURI AND SECONDED BY SWAYZE, JR. AND CARRIED TO RECONVENE. ALL AYE. CARRIED.

- KETURI STATED TOWN PROPERTIES WERE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

RESOLUTION #14-21

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN APPROVES LEGAL NOTICE FOR SALE OF 45.17-2-4.21 (LOT BEHIND 83 MAIN ST), 45.18-2-36 (CORNER OF WARNER AND RT. 34) AND 45.18-2-47 (POND ON WARNER ST.). SPONSOR-SWAYZE, JR. SECONDED-LARISON. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021 AT 7:00 PM.

ADJOURNED AT 8:40 PM MOTION BY LARISON. SECONDED BY FLORA. ALL AYE. CARRIED.