

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
MINUTES VAN ETEN TOWN BOARD
MARCH 12, 2020**

RESOLUTIONS THIS MEETING
BEGIN **24-20** THRU **34-20**

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF TOWN OF VAN ETEN WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TOWN SUPERVISOR GEORGE KETURI AT 7:02 PM.

ROLL CALL OF TOWN BOARD

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

TOWN OFFICERS

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

OTHERS PRESENT: GEORGE DILLER, DENEEN DILLER, HEATHER DUNBAR, EMILY WHEELER, AND MATT FREEZE.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SHOEMAKER AND SECONDED BY LARISON TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES HELD ON FEBRUARY 13, 2020. ALL AYE. CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE READ AND ON FILE WITH THE TOWN CLERK

- PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY; APRIL 28 FROM 5:15A – 9P

REPORTS FROM TOWN OFFICERS:

- TOWN JUSTICE-HEATHER GABLE-REPORT FILED
- ASSESSOR-MARY JO LECLAIRE-NO REPORT
- BUDGET OFFICER-GEORGE KETURI- REPORT FILED AND KETURI READ FIRST PAGE OF FEBRUARY 2020 BUDGET REPORT.
- TOWN CLERK-DAWN ROSE-REPORT FILED
 - CHECK FOR \$292. PRESENTED TO G. KETURI/TOWN SUPV.
- TOWN HISTORIAN-BONNIE MALLIN-NO REPORT
- PARK COMMISSION-NO REPORT
- DOG CONTROL-TJ SWARTOUT-REPORT FILED
- CODE OFFICER-TJ SWARTOUT-REPORT FILED
- BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-TJ SWARTOUT-VERBAL REPORT
 - SWARTOUT HAS BEEN ASSISTING HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT WITH CLEARING OF TREES AT WILDLIFE SANCTUARY.
- CF&R FIRE CO-VERBAL REPORT
 - CHIEF DAVID LANNING PASSED OUT 2019 ANNUAL REPORT FROM CF&R. CHIEF LANNING TOLD BOARD HE WILL START SUBMITTING MONTHLY REPORTS IN APRIL. CF&R TRYING TO OBTAIN UTV AND INVESTIGATING GRANTS.
- SHOEMAKER-RAMS-NO REPORT

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- SHOEMAKER STATED NEXT MEETING IS MARCH 31, 2020.
- HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT-TIM GRIPPO-REPORTS FILED
- TOWN SUPERVISOR-GEORGE KETURI-VERBAL REPORT
 - KETURI WORKING WITH EC COOPER FOR RENEWING INSURANCE AND OPTED IN TO OBTAINING TERRORIST INSURANCE.
 - KETURI STATED ATTORNEY COMO REQUESTED VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO SIGN OFF ON SALE OF PROPERTY TO MR. BRYNE/FORMER VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT.
 - SHOEMAKER WILL GO TO MR. COMO'S OFFICE TOMORROW TO GATHER UPDATE.
- WATER OPERATOR-HEATHER GABLE-REPORT FILED
- CEMETERY-BONNIE MALLEN-REPORT FILED

ALL OFFICERS WRITTEN REPORTS ARE ON FILE WITH TOWN CLERK.

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

AUDIT COMMITTEE-GENERAL-H. SHOEMAKER

A ACCT: \$38,274.86
FIRE: \$3,748.80

HIGHWAY/WATER-H. SHOEMAKER

DA ACCTS: \$18,144.12
SW (WATER): \$1,031.96

SWAYZE, JR. STATED BEFORE LED CONVERSION OF STREET LIGHTS IN FORMER VILLAGE NYSEG COST WAS \$994; AFTER LED CONVERSION NYSEG BILL IS NOW \$441.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

N/A

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- GRIPPO STATED REMOVAL OF CEMETERY TREES HAS BEEN HINDERED DUE TO WET GROUND
- SHOEMAKER BELIEVES SIGNS PERTAINING TO VILLAGE ON STATE ROADS HAVE BEEN REMOVED.
- SHOEMAKER STATED COUNTY WILL REPAIR FRONT STREET (CRACKED SEALED, SURFACE TREAT AND SLURRY, REPAIR DRIVEWAY APPROACHES AND LARGE HUMP IN ROAD) BEFORE TOWN TAKES OWNERSHIP. SHOEMAKER STATED DOUBLE SURFACING PRICING FOR PARKING LOTS AT 6 GEE STREET; BACK LOT \$3700 AND LIBRARY LOT \$3700.
- KETURI MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE SHED FROM 83 MAIN STREET MOVED TO 6 GEE STREET. WANT TO ENSURE THAT SHED DOESN'T INTERFERE WITH SECURITY CAMERA COVERAGE.
 - COMMITTEE UPDATES-
 - STREETLIGHT-ANDY LARISON
 - SIDEWALKS-FRED SWAYZE, JR./TJ SWARTOUT

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- SWAYZE, JR. STATED REPAIRING "PATCH" ON FRONT SIDE OF TOWN HALL, NEW WALKWAY AROUND NORTH SIDE OF BUILDING AND MR. DICKENS SIDEWALK CONCERNS (MAY BE TABLED UNTIL MR. DICKENS CONTACTS US).
- SWARTOUT WILL GET PRICING FOR NEW SIDEWALKS.
- WATER-HAROLD SHOEMAKER-
 - WATER SURVEYS HAVE BEEN MAILED OUT TO WATER USERS FOR NEW BILLING SOFTWARE.
 - SHOEMAKER STATED WATER DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE NEEDS TO BE ADOPTED.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE:

- SWAYZE, JR. APOLOGIZED TO MS. WHEELER REGARDING HIS COMMENTS LAST MONTH, HE DIDN'T MEAN TO OFFEND HER IN ANY WAY AND WAS TRYING TO DEFUSE SITUATION. SWAYZE, JR. ASKED FOR FOUR (4) MINUTE TIME LIMIT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE FOR EACH AUDIENCE MEMBER THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS BOARD.
- MR. WOLCOTT PASSED OUT PICTURES AND QUOTE FROM FENCE COMPANY IN REFERENCE TO TOWN PLOWING SNOW ON TO HIS FENCE AND RUINING IT. MR. WOLCOTT STATED HE FEELS IT'S AGAINST STATE LAW TO SMOKE CIGARETTES IN TOWN EQUIPMENT AND DITCHES NEED TO BE CLEANED.
- MS. DUNBAR NOTED HER GRATIFICATION FOR SOME OF HER CONCERNS IN PAST BEING ADDRESSED. MS. DUNBAR REMINDED ALL ABOUT ARBOR DAY, SHE ALSO CALLED ATTENTION TO POISON IVY NEAR MAIN STREET BRIDGE. MS. DUNBAR STATED ROAD SIGN IS DOWN AND LAYING IN DITCH NEXT TO HER HOUSE (COUNTY ROAD).
- SWARTOUT NOTED THEFT OF SNOWMOBILES HAPPENED OUT BACK NEAR BANFIELD SQUARE PAVILION AND CAMERAS ARE BEING REVIEWED TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING THIEVES.

NEW BUSINESS:

- KETURI OPENED MOWING BIDS PER LEGAL NOTICE RES #21-20 FROM JOHN GRAY CONTRACTING AND DJ RESIDENTIAL SERVICES:
 - DJ RESIDENTIAL/SWARTWOOD AND TOWNLINE CEMETERIES \$2,125
 - DJ RESIDENTIAL/ALDERMAN FIELD \$500
 - JOHN GRAY/ SWARTWOOD AND TOWNLINE CEMETERIES \$2,350
 - JOHN GRAY/ALDERMAN FIELD \$1,575
 - JOHN GRAY/MT HOPE AND CANFIELD CEMETERIES \$13,200
- SHOEMAKER MADE MOTION AND SECONDED BY KETURI TO ACCEPT ALL BIDS AND RETURN WITH FINDINGS. ALL AYE.

RESOLUTION #24-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN ACCEPTS 2020 WATER DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE. SPONSOR-SHOEMAKER SECONDED- SWAYZE, JR. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

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- KETURI OPENED BIDS FOR USED ROLLER PER RES #16-20:
 - BRADCO
 - 2012 BOMAG 1,800 HOURS \$65,000
 - 2013 BOMAG 2,200 HOURS \$55,000
 - CHER RENTAL
 - BOMAG 1,500 HOURS \$86,000
 - FIVE STAR
 - 2019 BOMAG 4 HOURS \$141,600
- SHOEMAKER MADE MOTION AND SECONDED BY KETURI TO ACCEPT ALL BIDS AND RETURN WITH FINDINGS. ALL AYE.

RESOLUTION #25-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN DECLARES FOLLOWING AS SURPLUS: MOWER TRAILER, VIBROMAX ROLLER AND OUTDATED SERVICE MANUALS. SPONSOR-KETURI SECONDED-LARISON. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

- GRIPPO SUBMITTED 284 AGREEMENT FOR GENERAL REPAIRS (SEE FILE). GRIPPO IS WORKING ON 284 AGREEMENT FOR CHIPS AND PAVENY-PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT.
- SHOEMAKER NOTED TOWN MAY NEED TO USE SOME RESERVE MONEY FOR REPAIR OF ROADS, MAY BE DIFFICULT YEAR.

RESOLUTION #26-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN ACCEPTS 284 AGREEMENT FOR GENERAL FUNDS. SPONSOR-SHOEMAKER. SECONDED-SWAYZE, JR. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

RESOLUTION #27-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR VARIOUS HIGHWAY MATERIALS (SPECS SAME AS LAST YEAR) TO BE BID BY APRIL 9, 2020 AT 7:00 PM. SPONSOR-KETURI. SECONDED-SWAYZE, JR. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

- BOARD MEMBERS DISCUSSED BRUSH PICK UP. GRIPPO WILL INVESTIGATE TUB GRINDER FROM CHEMUNG COUNTY SOIL AND WATER.
- SPRING ROAD TOUR DATE MARCH 21, 2020 AT 8:00 AM. KETURI WILL PICK UP EVERYONE FROM TOWN HALL.

RESOLUTION #28-20

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TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE WATER COMMITTEE MEETING ON APRIL 16, 2020 AT 5:30PM. SPONSOR-KETURI. SECONDED-LARISON. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

- SHOEMAKER MET WITH JOHN MACDOWELL FROM NYDOT IN REGARDS TO EXTENDING SPEED LIMIT ON ROUTE 34 NEAR CRAMER HOLLOW. LETTER TO BE MAILED TO MACDOWELL WITH REQUEST.

RESOLUTION #29-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES TOWN SUPERVISOR TO PURCHASE \$500 WORTH OF FLAGS FOR VFW. SPONSOR-LARISON. SECONDED-SWAYZE, JR. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

- SHOEMAKER SPOKE WITH REPRESENTATIVE FROM CHEMUNG COUNTY TRANSIT IN REGARDS TO OBTAINING BUS STOP IN VAN ETTEN. SHOEMAKER WILL INQUIRE ABOUT MOVING FORWARD WITH OBTAINING BUS STOP.
- SHOEMAKER HANDED OUT SAMPLE RESOLUTION FOR ACCELERATED RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT ACT FOR REVIEW. WILL BE REVIEWED BY ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND BROUGHT BACK TO BOARD AT LATER DATE.

RESOLUTION #30-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN ON BEHALF OF THE CHEMUNG COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FORMALLY REQUEST AN AMENDMENT TO PROPOSED LAW TO EXEMPT SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS FROM PROPOSED CHANGES TO NYS SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT LAW FOR NEEDING ARTICLE 15 PERMITS FOR CLASS C AND BELOW STREAMS. SPONSOR-KETURI. SECONDED-SHOEMAKER. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

RESOLUTION #31-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES TOWN CLERK TO ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW 1 AND 2 OF 2020 ON MARCH 26, 2020 AT 7:00 PM. SPONSOR-SHOEMAKER. SECONDED-SWAYZE, JR. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AT 8:41 PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY SHOEMAKER AND SECONDED BY KETURI AND CARRIED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTION SESSION. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AT 9:11 PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY KETURI AND SECONDED BY SHOEMAKER AND CARRIED TO RECONVENE. ALL AYE. CARRIED.

- KETURI STATED PERSONNEL ISSUES WERE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

RESOLUTION #32-20

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TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN APPOINTS HAROLD SHOEMAKER AS PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR FOR THE TOWN OF VAN ETTEN. SPONSOR-KETURI. SECONDED-LARISON. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER-ABSTAIN, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

RESOLUTION #33-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES FOLLOWING PAY RATES:

BUILDINGS \$20 PER HOUR

MOWING (TOWN PROPERTIES) \$17 PER HOUR

SPONSOR-SHOEMAKER. SECONDED-SWAYZE, JR. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

RESOLUTION #34-20

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES PAYMENT OF \$2,950 FOR REPLACEMENT OF DAMAGED FENCE BY VAN ETTEN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR MR. MICHAEL WOLCOTT (SEE FILE FOR DESCRIPTION) RESIDING AT 343 COOPER HILL ROAD. SPONSOR-SHOEMAKER. SECONDED-KETURI. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA-ABSENT, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI. ALL AYE. CARRIED

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 9, 2020 AT 7:00 PM.
ADJOURNED AT 9:25 PM MOTION BY LARISON. SECONDED BY SHOEMAKER. ALL AYE. CARRIED.