

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
MINUTES VAN ETEN TOWN BOARD  
OCTOBER 14, 2021**

RESOLUTIONS THIS MEETING  
BEGIN **70-21** THRU **72-21**

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF TOWN OF VAN ETEN WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY DEPUTY TOWN SUPERVISOR HAROLD SHOEMAKER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:14 PM.

ROLL CALL OF TOWN BOARD

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

TOWN OFFICERS

TIM GRIPPO-H'WAY SUPT.  
MARY JO LECLAIRE-ASSESSOR  
DAWN ROSE-TOWN CLERK  
RICH LECLAIRE-CODE ENFORCEMENT  
BONNIE MALLEN- TOWN HISTORIAN-EXC  
HEATHER GABLE- WATER OPERATOR-EXC  
DUSTIN ROSE-CEMETERY CURATOR AND  
DOG CONTROL OFFCR.

OTHERS PRESENT: HANNAH ERB, ROBERT EASTWOOD SR., MIKE GROVER, KAREN FRICK, FRED SWAYZE, SR., SHANNON TAYLOR, DAWN STIEHL, GLENN EWING, JOHN BARTON, GERRY MESSMER, CATHY MESSMER, JANET SAYRE, LISA SNYDER, DAVID SNYDER, LAURA REDD, JOSIE LOVEJOY, SUE FRISBEE, HARRY FRISBEE, TONI MORTON, DIANNE COLE, FRANK PATTERSON, RICK HENDRICKSON, CARL SMITH, RHONDA WEEKS AND HEATHER DUNBAR.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SWAYZE, JR. AND SECONDED BY LARISON TO ACCEPT THE REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES HELD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2021. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AT 7:17 PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY SWAYZE, JR. AND SECONDED BY FLORA AND CARRIED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTION SESSION. ALL AYE. CARRIED

AT 7:24 PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY SWAYZE, JR. AND SECONDED BY FLORA AND CARRIED TO RECONVENE. ALL AYE. CARRIED.

SWAYZE, JR. STATED EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS TO DISCUSS RESCHEDULING MEETING TO ACCOMMODATE LARGE CROWD ATTENDING TO DISCUSS RECENT SOCIAL MEDIA ACTIVITIES; CURRENTLY EXCEEDING MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY AND HIGHLY CONCERNED WITH COVID PROTOCOLS. SHOEMAKER STATED TOWN WILL FIND APPROPRIATE VENUE QUICKLY AND ADVERTISE QUICKLY.

**CORRESPONDENCE READ AND ON FILE WITH THE TOWN CLERK**

- BOARD OF ELECTIONS-GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 FROM 6A-9P.

**REPORTS FROM TOWN OFFICERS:**

-TOWN JUSTICE-REPORT FILED

-ASSESSOR-MARY JO LECLAIRE-VERBAL REPORT

- LECLAIRE STATED JUST RETURNING TO WORK-NO UPDATES.

-BUDGET OFFICER-GEORGE KETURI- REPORT FILED AND SHOEMAKER READ FIRST PAGE OF SEPTEMBER 2021 BUDGET REPORT.

-TOWN CLERK-DAWN ROSE-REPORT FILED

- CHECK FOR \$418.09 PRESENTED TO G. KETURI/TOWN SUPV.

-TOWN HISTORIAN-BONNIE MALLEN-REPORT FILED

-PARK COMMISSION-NO REPORT

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- DOG CONTROL-DUSTIN ROSE-REPORT FILED
- CODE OFFICER-RICH LECLAIRE-REPORT FILED
- BUILDINGS & GROUNDS-HAROLD SHOEMAKER-VERBAL REPORT
  - SHOEMAKER STATED ALL IS GOING WELL.
- CF&R FIRE CO-REPORT FILED FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2021
- HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT-TIM GRIPPO-REPORTS FILED
  - GRIPPO STATED OSHA REVIEW WENT WELL; SWAYZE, JR. INDICATED REPORT NEEDS TO BE FILED WITH TEAMSTER'S UNION.
- TOWN SUPERVISOR-GEORGE KETURI-NO REPORT
  - CHECK FROM REPSOL (CHECK #731307943) IN AMOUNT OF \$549.24 RECEIVED.
- WATER OPERATOR-HEATHER GABLE-REPORT FILED
- WATER DIRECTOR-HAROLD SHOEMAKER- REPORT FILED AND SHOEMAKER READ FIRST PAGE OF SEPTEMBER 2021 WATER BUDGET REPORT.
  - WATER TECHNICIAN POSITION STILL AVAILABLE AND ONE NEW WATER CUSTOMER HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED.
  - FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING STARTED TODAY.
- CEMETERY-DUSTIN ROSE-REPORT FILED

ALL OFFICERS WRITTEN REPORTS ARE ON FILE WITH TOWN CLERK.

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

**AUDIT COMMITTEE-GENERAL-H. SHOEMAKER**

A ACCT: \$24,544.61  
FIRE:

**HIGHWAY/WATER-H. SHOEMAKER**

DA ACCTS: \$32,742.94  
SW (WATER): \$73,446.83

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENT**

**RESOLUTION #70-21**

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES TRANSFER OF \$11,000 FROM A1990.4 TO A1620.4. SPONSOR-SWAYZE, JR. SECONDED-FLORA. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI (EXCUSED). ALL AYE. CARRIED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY SHOEMAKER 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 LEFT MESSAGE FOR STEVE RENKO REGARDING TREES IN CEMETERY ON WAVERLY STREET, NO RETURN CALL.
- SHOEMAKER STATED NO UPDATE ON GRANTS.

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- SHOEMAKER NOTED CHEMICAL CART DEDICATION WAS LAST SUNDAY AND CHEMICAL CART IS SAFELY SECURED IN SHED. SHOEMAKER AGAIN THANKED BRIAN HYLAND AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE CHRIS MOSS FOR ALL OF THEIR ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING FUNDING FOR CHEMICAL CART SHED AND CF&R PARKING LOT. TOWN WILL TAKE MONIES FROM CETC FUNDING TO PAY INVOICE FOR RESTORING CHEMICAL CART.
  - COMMITTEE UPDATES-
    - STREETLIGHTS-ANDY LARISON
      - LARISON STATED STREET LIGHTS ARE GOOD.
    - SIDEWALKS-FRED SWAYZE, JR.-EXC/RICH LECLAIRE
      - SWAYZE, JR. NOTED REPAIR OF FRONT SIDEWALK IS COMPLETE. WOULD LIKE TO SEND MR. SCOTT PRESHER, RON PRESHER AND MIKE TILLOTSON THANK YOU CARD FOR THEIR DONATION OF TIME.
    - WATER DIRECTOR-HAROLD SHOEMAKER

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

- MS. SAYRE ASKED IF TOWN COULD ASSIST WITH HAVING POST OFFICE PARKING LOT REPAIRED AND SIX (6) STUMPS ON FRONT STREET NEED TO BE REMOVED. SHOEMAKER WILL INVESTIGATE.
- MS. DUNBAR ASKED ABOUT JUDGE TUTTLE AND SHOEMAKER STATED JUDGE GABLE RESIGNED EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 27.
- MR. GROVER ASKED ABOUT UPDATE ON BROADBAND WITH HAEFELE. SHOEMAKER NOTED KETURI HAS ASKED MR. HAEFELE FOR QUOTE/PROPOSAL AND ARPA FUNDING MAY ASSIST WITH MONIES.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION #71-21**

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN ADOPTS TENTATIVE 2022 TOWN AND WATER BUDGET. SPONSOR-SWAYZE, JR. SECONDED-FLORA. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI (EXCUSED). ALL AYE. CARRIED

**RESOLUTION #72-21**

TOWN BOARD OF VAN ETTEN AUTHORIZES ADVERTISEMENT FOR PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2022 TOWN AND WATER BUDGET ON NOVEMBER 11, 2021 AT 7:00PM. SPONSOR-LARISON. SECONDED-SHOEMAKER. ROLL CALL VOTE-SHOEMAKER, FLORA, SWAYZE, JR., LARISON AND KETURI (EXCUSED). ALL AYE. CARRIED

- SHOEMAKER NOTED TOWN HAS TO HAVE ARPA SPENDING PLAN SUBMITTED TO STATE BY APRIL 30, 2022.
- TRICK OR TREAT WILL BE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31 FROM 6 – 8 PM.
- SHOEMAKER STATED RAMS MEETING WILL START MEETING AGAIN NEXT WEEK AND IT WILL BE REGARDING CANNABIS AND CHEMUNG COUNTY SOIL & WATER. RAMS HAS NOT MEET FOR APPROXIMATELY 1 ½ YEARS.
- SHOEMAKER INDICATED TOWN CAN EXTEND SNOW REMOVAL CONTRACT (UNDER \$10,000).

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REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 11, 2021 AT 7:00 PM.  
ADJOURNED AT 8:05 PM MOTION BY SWAYZE, JR. SECONDED BY LARISON. ALL AYE. CARRIED.