

TOWN OF GREENE
Regular Town Board Meeting
April 14, 2021

The regular meeting of the Greene Town Board was held on the above date at 6:00 PM at the Greene Town Hall, 51 Genesee Street, Greene, New York 13778.

PRESENT: Supervisor Joe Henninge, Council Members Steve Northrup, Diane Flanagan, Steve Page and Bernie McDermott, Highway Superintendent Nick Drew, Code Enforcement Officer Mike Wheelock, Planning Board Members Michelle Day, Tim Conner, George Sobierajski and Matt Curtis and Deputy Town Clerk Mary Wrench

OTHERS PRESENT: Penny Sweet and NYS Assemblyman Joe Angelino

Supervisor Henninge opened the meeting at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Assemblyman Joe Angelino.

FUEL BIDS

Deputy Town Clerk read the following Legal Notice on Fuel Bids:

Town of Greene Notice to Bidders

The Town Board of the Town of Greene will accept separate sealed bids for fuel products for use by the Highway Department as described herein:

No. 2 Fuel Oil (Heating Oil)
Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel (ULSD) Fuel
(Price to include Kero mix (60/40) during the period from December 1 to March 1

Unleaded Regular Gasoline (87 Octane)

The successful bidder will provide the products from April 30, 2021 through April 30, 2022. Delivery is to be made to the Town of Greene Highway Department at 806 Hotchkiss Road, Greene NY in "**automatic**" tank wagon deliveries as needed. Failure to make automatic deliveries, creating "run-outs" may void the contract.

Each proposal should provide both firm and fluctuating prices for each fuel product. Fluctuating prices must describe a firm differential applied to the Daily Contact Average price for Binghamton/Vestal posted by the Oil Price Information Service. The Firm Differential, Rack Price and Date of Posting should be listed in the quotation. Each price change will require documentation of the Rack Price change.

The Town of Greene uses approximately 16,000 gallons of unblended ultra low sulfur diesel fuel and 12,000 gallons of blended ultra low sulfur diesel fuel annually. Storage is in 1,000 gallon and 500 gallon above ground tanks. Approximately 3000 gallons of No. 2 fuel oil (heating oil) is used per year, stored in three 275 gallon storage tanks located in the Highway Department buildings. Approximately 3,500 gallons of gasoline is used annually. Gasoline is used in two pickup trucks and various pieces of engine powered equipment. It must be available locally, by the tank full, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Bids must be submitted, separately for each products, in a sealed envelope and clearly marked respectively: "Diesel Fuel Bid 2021", "Heating Oil Bid 2021" and "Gasoline Bid 2021". Bids may be mailed or delivered to the Office of the Town Clerk at PO Box 129, 51 Genesee St., Greene, NY 13778. All bids must be received by the Town Clerk no later than 4:00 PM Wednesday, April 14, 2021. A certificate of non-collusion must be included with the sealed bid.

All bid prices must be exclusive of New York State Gross Receipts Tax. The Town of Greene claims exemption from all taxes as allowed by law. The successful bidder shall arrange for any and all reimbursements required regarding tax exemptions.

Bid opening shall take place at the regular meeting of the Town Board at 6:00 PM, Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at the Town Hall, Genesee St., Greene, NY.

The Town of Greene reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

The following bids were received from Mirabito Energy Products:

Heating Oil Bid 2021

No. 2 Fuel Oil (Heating Oil) - Firm Differential +.2500/gal., Fluctuating Bid Price \$2.0700/gal., Firm Bid Price \$2.2970/gal.

Diesel Fuel Bid 2021

Diesel Fuel - Firm Differential \$+.2200/gal., Fluctuating Bid Price \$2.1631/gal., Firm Bid Price \$2.2706/gal.

Diesel Fuel Bid 2021

60/40 Diesel/Kero Mix for Winter - Fluctuating Bid Price \$2.3271/gal., Firm Bid Price \$2.4306/gal.

Gasoline Bid 2021

Unleaded Regular Gasoline E10 (87) Octane) - Firm Differential \$.5500/gal., Fluctuating Bid Price \$2.4694/gal., Firm Bid N/A

Page 14

RTBM 4-14-21

The fuel bids were discussed by the Board and Highway Superintendent Nick Drew recommended we accept the bids. Highway Superintendent Drew stated he usually goes with the firm bid price as it is guaranteed.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to accept the 2021 Fuel Bids as presented by Mirabito Energy Products. Ayes all. Carried.

MINUTES

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to approve the minutes dated March 10, 2021 as submitted by the Town Clerk. Ayes all. Carried.

BILLS

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to pay all bills as presented, including three (3) additional bills for Purity Chemicals, Julie Dietrich and Mike Wheelock. Vouchers #20210243 through #20210365. General \$5,951.93, General Outside \$302.58, Highway \$12,739.81, Highway Outside \$13,173.76, Greene Intermunicipal Parks Commission \$148.53, Joint Recreation Commission \$22.40, Sewer District \$1,505.92, Water District One \$940.20, Water District Two \$571.08, Water District Three \$308.31. Ayes all. Carried.

REPORTS

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Flanagan to receive and file all Reports as submitted by the Assessor, Highway Superintendent, Town Clerk, Dog Control Officer, Planning Board Minutes dated March 22, 2021 and Ball Flats Committee Minutes dated March 10, 2021. Ayes all. Carried.

A discussion was held on the placement of trash cans by Bert Adams Disposal. There are concerns on how to avoid them during the winter months. Supervisor Henning and Highway Superintendent Drew will draft a letter to be sent to Bert Adams Disposal.

Superintendent Drew wants to review and possibly update the winter legal notice postings.

Superintendent Drew has also been in contact with Chenango County DPW in regards to County Road 2 bridge project detour update.

Planning Board Member Michelle Day reported the Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Aleut Electric this month. There is an opening on the Planning Board for a new member. She also asked about the possibility of purchasing a projector for the conference room. The Planning Board is working on updates to the Site Plan Review Application. They would like to put the updates to the Permit on the Website as a PDF file. Council Member Steve Page will help with the PDF file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Member Page reported the Joint Recreation Committee (JRC) T-Ball and softball programs are going well.

Council Member Flanagan reported the new custodian, Alecia Dunlap, is doing a great job. Highway Superintendent Drew will help with a ramp on her vehicle for the mower and will pick up an OSHA approved fuel can.

Code Enforcement Officer Wheelock brought to the attention of the Building and Grounds committee that the hot water heater on the third floor is not working properly and suggested a small "on-demand" water heater. Supervisor Henninge asked the Building and Grounds Committee to take care of it.

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Page to receive and file all Committee Reports. Ayes all. Carried.

Page 15 RTBM 4-14-21

MONIES RECEIVED

Code Enforcement Department	\$135.10
Judge	\$6,748.00
Town Clerk	\$5,214.50
Charter Franchise Fees	\$6,659.73
State of NY Homeland Security	\$17,376.63

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to accept all Monies received. Ayes all. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Henninge noted it is Fair Housing Month in Chenango County.

The Greene Town Board received applications for the two (2) vacancies on the Board of Assessment Review.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by McDermott to appoint Karman Harrington and Phyllis Church to the Board of Assessment Review. Karman Harrington's term to expire September 30, 2022 and Phyllis Church's term to expire September 30, 2023. The Town Board also authorized them to attend BAR training. Ayes all. Carried.

The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for Education of Young Children (NAEYC), they have two (2) pieces of artwork on display at the Town Hall.

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Page to receive and file all Communications. Ayes all. Carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION

The Town Board discussed the 2021 Highway Plan presented by Highway Superintendent Drew.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to authorize the Greene Town Board to sign the 2021 "Agreement to Spend Town Highway Funds" as presented by Highway Superintendent Nick Drew. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Flanagan to transfer \$100,000 from the unallocated 2018 FEMA Revenue to 2021 Budget Account DB 5110.4. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to approve the purchase of a new loader with snow blower attachment under NJPA contract for 2021. Ayes all. Carried.

Supervisor Henning discussed Emergency Service in Chenango County. Certificate of Need (CON) is so other ambulances can respond to emergency calls. Greene EMS runs everywhere in the southern end of the County. The County can also lease ambulances that are not operating. Chenango County Board of Supervisors agreed to apply for Certificate of Need (CON).

There was further discussion on emergency volunteer services. Council Member McDermott stated Greene EMS is the only agency at this time willing to transport from one hospital to another.

The Town of Greene Employment Policy was discussed and Supervisor Henning would like the Board to review the policy and make the necessary changes in order to comply with new State laws.

There was a discussion on identification badges for Town employees and Planning Board Members. Superintendent Drew will check with Greene Central School to see if they may be able to help with this.

Planning Board Member Michelle Day stated the Planning Board is working on a definition for what a home based business is. There was a discussion and some of the Town Board and Planning Board Members were able to state their views. Supervisor Henninge requested the Planning Board draft a law to present to the Town Board.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

NYS Assemblyman Joe Angelino represents over fifty (50) municipalities. Here are some of the topics he spoke on. The CHIPS monies would probably increase in the future. The New York State budget is \$212 Billion, an increase of \$30 Billion over the past two (2) years. New York State Budget is more than the states of Texas and Florida combined. New York State ranks 4th with population leaving. Cannabis is now legal for recreational use in New York. He explained the new law and suggested we think about this law when updating our employment policy.

Penny Sweet had an opportunity to ask Assemblyman Angelino some questions.

Council Member McDermott asked how many residents we could lose due to the new bridge project in Chenango Forks. Code Enforcement Officer Wheelock thought that it would affect approximately 10 +/- acres, but no actual homes in the Town of Greene. The other side of the bridge is not in the Town of Greene.

There was a dental insurance presentation on Zoom, with three (3) options available, only one (1) option can be chosen. Employees would pay 100% of their dental insurance.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to go to executive session for the employment of a particular person. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Flanagan to return to regular session. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to appoint a second Deputy Town Clerk at \$16.50/hour with a three (3) month probation period effective May 17, 2021. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Thomas
Greene Town Clerk

Next Regular Town Board Meeting May 12, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall

