

TOWN OF GREENE
Regular Town Board Meeting
July 19, 2023

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 Bernie McDermott, Steve Page, Steve Northrup, Diane Flanagan, Highway Superintendent Nick Drew, Code Enforcer Stephen Smith, and Planning Board Chair Michelle Day.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Supervisor Henninge opened the meeting at with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to approve the minutes dated June 21, 2023
Ayes all. Carried.

BILLS

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to pay all bills as presented. Vouchers #2023949 through #20231005. General \$6,086.71, General Outside \$435.01, Highway \$12,907.26, Highway Outside \$66,332.81, Sewer District \$1778.22, Water District One \$906.81, Water District Two \$757.72, Water District Three \$707.38.

Greene Intermunicipal Park Commission Vouchers #2023130 through 2023140, \$17,363.50.
Joint Recreation Commission Vouchers #2023041, \$55.00. Ayes all. Carried.

REPORTS

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Supervisor Henninge reported that Code Enforcer Stephen Smith has passed phase 1 of Code Training with a 100.

HIGHWAY REPORT: McDermott requested a requote on previous discussion for a split unit AC/Heat to be installed at the Highway Garage. Board had given go ahead to proceed with threshold of \$10,000. Drew received an updated quote during meeting of \$9,321.

MOTION by McDermott, seconded by Flanagan to approve and move forward with the install of the AC split unit.

McDermott requested to move forward on previous discussion (March 14, 2023) for new garage doors (1,10,11,12) to be installed at the Highway Garage.

MOTION by Henninge, seconded by Flanagan to move ahead with quote from Hayes Doors to replace needed garage doors. Drew made mention he would budget 2 doors per year to span 5yr rotation in replacements for Highway Garage doors.

PLANNING BOARD: Chairperson Day reported that a letter has been sent to Atlas with the Solar Siting Local Law updates.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to receive and file all Reports as submitted by Highway Superintendent, Town Clerk, Assessor, Code Enforcement, Dog Control Officer Planning Board and Historian. Ayes all. Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BUILDING REPORT: Henninge reported that Mike Dunlap fixed a running toilet on the first-floor clerk office.

FIRE DEPT REPORT: Northrup reported that Brisben Fire is down to three-four members. A meeting was held last week among surrounding townships and attorney. Brisben has been advised not to respond to fire calls. Current Brisben members may join other districts. Tax payers will receive fire coverage. Next meeting August 2, 2023 with Board of Commission.

JRC REPORT: Steve Page reported the Summer Program has 228 students registered.

PERSONNEL REPORT: McDermott asked for status on Employee Policy. Henninge reported it still being worked on.

HISTORIAN REPORT: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS cont.

CEMETERY REPORT: Henninge reported that a new sign had been put up at the Barnes Cemetery, the Highway Department helped in mowing the cemetery and Henninge applied mulch around new pole sign.

GIMPC (Ball Flats): Steve Page reported the Ball flats has had a second Batch of sod delivered. Second Pavilion will be located at boat launch.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page, to receive and file all Committee reports. Ayes all. Carried.

MONIES RECEIVED

Code Department	\$281.60
Judge Martin	\$1,260.00
Judge Brown	\$1,728.00
Town Clerk	\$7,702.17
State of NY Chips & WIRP	\$302,139.55 + \$59,977.20
2023 Tax report-penalties and interest	<u>\$15,094.84</u>
	\$388,183.36

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Henninge reported that some of the Highway Department did a great job fixing a ramp down at the Ballflats.

Supervisor Henninge reported the Weis Markets may be evaluating Greene for a new location.

Supervisor Henninge reported that the Town of Smithville submitted a foil request for JRC monies. Henninge spoke with Deputy Supervisor Holcomb. Town of Smithville has paid \$3,000 of the yearly \$4,100.

The Town of Greene has not received the JRC contribution from Chenango County as of yet.

Supervisor Henninge reported bridge update stating it passed the Assembly but failed the Senate

Supervisor Henninge noted Commerce of Chenango the advertisement for the Greene Arts and Crafts festival on July 22, 2023. It was in the Pennysaver and Evening Sun papers. Per Sal continued advertisements will be in for the Labor Day Picnic, Applefest and the Holiday Weekend. Sal is also willing to come to Greene again for all businesses.

This year's Commerce of Chenango Golf Tournament will be held at Genegantslet Golf Course vs Canasawacta.

McDermott reported information about the go.govapp.com, can be through text or email and set up through different groups for communication. Cost would be about \$5,000 per year based on the town wide population, with a one time set up fee of \$2,500. Northrup asked if there is examples of other townships already participating and Supervisor Henninge asked about auto dialing like the school districts use. Continued discussion will be held at a future meeting after a zoom meeting date of July 24, 2023.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Drew requested if he could move forward with getting rain gear for the Highway Garage employees.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to move forward for each employee to get one set of rain gear

Highway Superintendent Drew expressed a thank you for the acknowledgement of fixing an issue that was a safety concern. Drew requested that the board go into executive session to resolve on going issues with communication and protocols in getting things done between the Ball Flats Committee, Highway Department and the Town Board.

The playground pavilion location is on hold due to new equipment arriving first and making sure space will be mapped out accordingly.

BOARD DISCUSSIONcont.

McDermott requested more info on the two plans of the Ball Flats Pavilion. The playground area and the boat launch area. The boat launch area was previously approved with a quote of \$5,400. The Highway Dept. will help remove a picnic table that is currently in that location.

Supervisor Henninge suggested the Town could help fund the new Pavilion with ARPA monies Council Member McDermott requested a roll call.

Supervisor Joseph Henninge Aye
Council Member Diane Flanagan Aye
Council Member Stephen Page Aye
Council Member Stephen Northrup Aye
Council Member Bernie McDermott Nay

With a vote result of 4-1 the Town of Greene will move forward to help fund the new Pavilion with ARPA monies.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page for the Town to fund the new Pavilion with ARPA monies.

McDermott wanted to know what the Town could do for the Elmer Smith Road residents to have the speed limit reduced. Henninge reported that there is a petition required for speed reduction and then the Town board would review the petition as well as the County and State.

Supervisor Henninge reported a request from Lion Park for help with patchwork. Would like help trucking stone if needed or equipment operator. Supervisor Henninge spoke with Highway Superintendent Drew. Drew said he would be willing to help the Lions Park with all they do for the community.

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Flanagan to support the Lion Park in stone, equipment and operator. Due to membership in Lions McDermott and Page abstained. Three-two vote.

Supervisor Henninge requested a motion to move \$8,500.00 from A1990.4 (Contingency) to A1420.4 (FD-Brisben)

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to move \$8,500.00 from A1990.4 (Contingency) to A1420.4 (FD- Brisben) Ayes all. Carried.

Supervisor Henninge requested a motion to Increase the 2023 Budget Revenue DB3501 from 2022 Unexpended Balance of DB funds by \$225,913.02 and increase the 2023 Budget Expenditure for DB5110.4 by \$225,913.02. Ayes all. Carried

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to Increase the 2023 Budget Revenue DB3501 from 2022 Unexpended Balance of DB funds by \$225,913.02 and increase the 2023 Budget Expenditure for DB5110.4 by \$225,913.02. Ayes all. Carried

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one spoke.

Supervisor Henninge asked for a motion to enter into Executive session.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to enter into Executive session at 7:32 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by McDermott to return to regular session at 7:49 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greene Deputy Town Clerk

Next Regular Town Board Meeting – August 16, 2023 6:00 PM at the Greene Town Hall