

TOWN OF GREENE
Regular Town Board Meeting
May 17, 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, Planning Board Chair Michelle Day and Town Attorney Richard Lewis.

OTHERS PRESENT: David DeYoung, Tim Conner, George Sobierajski, Karman Harrington, Jeff Flanagan, Lluís Torrent, Kevin Moppetit, Karol Swantak, Charles Swantak, Brenda McEntee, J. Bukuis and Brenda Cohn. (*Note some names were not clear refer to attached sign in sheet*)

Supervisor Henninge opened the Public Meeting at 6:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Henninge read the public notice dated 4/21/2023.

LEGAL NOTICE:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Greene will hold a PUBLIC HEARING to adopt Local Law #2 of 2023 on the Solar Siting for the Town of Greene

The Public Hearing will be held on May 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall, 51 Genesee Street, Greene, New York 13778. Said Board will sit at meeting to hear all persons in support of as well as those opposed to.

By Order of the Town Board

Dated: April 21, 2023

Mary C. Wrench

Greene Town Clerk

Supervisor Henninge asked if anyone present had any questions or comments regarding the revised Solar Siting Law.

Those in attendance were allowed to comment, state their concerns and ask questions regarding the Revised Solar Siting Law.

The Planning Board members that attended the meeting addressed most of the questions and comments however several concerns remain unanswered.

It was suggested that extending the Moratorium would allow the Town Board and the Planning Board to revisit the Law and take in consideration the concerns of the public.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Page to extend the Moratorium for 1 year to allow the Town Board and Planning Board to address those concerns regarding the revised Solar Siting Law dated May 17, 2023 Ayes all. Carried.

Supervisor Henninge scheduled a Special Meeting and Public Hearing for Wednesday June 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM to extend the Moratorium.

MOTION, by Supervisor Henninge seconded by Northrup to close the Public Hearing on Local Law #2 of 2023. Ayes all. Carried.

MINUTES

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Flanagan to approve the minutes dated April 19, 2023 Ayes all. Carried.

BILLS

MOTION by McDermott, seconded by Flanagan to pay all bills as presented. Vouchers #2023822 through #2023882. General \$16,805.58 General Outside \$21,594.17, Highway \$77,111.91 Highway Outside \$56,768.43, Sewer District \$1,428.41, Water District One \$525.41, Water District Two \$447.09, Water District Three \$2,745.50.

Greene Intermunicipal Park Commission Vouchers #2023099 through 2023111 \$16,140.89.

There was an additional Greene Intermunicipal Park Commission voucher # 2023112 that was not included in the abstract that was approved by the Town Board in the amount \$2,311.36.

Joint Recreation Commission Vouchers #2023038 & 2023039 \$522.40. Ayes all. Carried.

REPORTS

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: Nothing to report.

FIRE DEPT REPORT: Nothing to report.

JRC REPORT: Steve Page noted the Summer Program is seeking councilors, applications are available on the website. Minutes dated May 1, 2023 were received and filed.

PERSONNEL REPORT: Nothing to report.

HISTORIAN REPORT: Nothing to report.

CEMETERY REPORT: Nothing to report.

GIMPC (Ball Flats) Bernie McDermott reported the paving is done at entrances and looks good. Steve Page noted the additional swing set has been delivered. Minutes dated April 19, 2023 were received and filed.

PLANNING BOARD: Michelle Day reported that currently there are no new applications. Minutes dated April 24, 2023 were received and filed.

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

MONIES RECEIVED

Code Department	\$184.30
Judge Martin	\$1,964.00
Judge Brown	\$1,397.00
Town Clerk	\$8,799.96
Chenango Cty Treas. 1 st qtr Sales Tax	\$181,042.72
Cheshire Valley Farms Lease 2023	<u>\$2,350.00</u>
	\$195,737.98

MONIES RECEIVED cont.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Supervisor Henninge received a Thank You note from the American Legion.

Supervisor Henninge mentioned the bank restoration at the Ball Flats. Steve Page contacted Joe Angelino. Mr. Angelino reached out to Chenango County Soil and Water and also Tioga County Soil and Water. Options are being looked at to correct the issues.

Supervisor Henninge noted he sent the letter of support to UHS EMS.

Supervisor Henninge and Mayor Brown sent letters to several area grocers to try to spark interest in coming to Greene to replace the Great American.

Supervisor Henninge spoke to Mayor Brown to advise him of the intended improvements at the Ball flats, drainage, black top/stone & oil, and 2 additional pavilions.

The Town joined the Chenango Commerce as directed.

Code Enforcer Stephen Smith attended the Class D Water Certification training, Supervisor Henninge congratulated Stephen on passing the class.

Code Enforcer Stephen Smith is enrolled in Code Training September through December 2023.

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

BOARD DISCUSSION

Council Member Flanagan made note the grass area by the car wash is in need of mowing. Town Clerk Mary Wrench responded that she had already been in touch with Anthony Daniels, Town Custodian and he was aware that the grass was high and planned to mow it as soon as the grass/ground was dry.

Highway Superintendent Nick Drew mentioned to the Town Board that he knows where the drainage issue is on the Ball flats and will address it prior to Labor Day. He may reach out to T&K Harrington for assistance.

Supervisor Henninge requested a Motion to Increase the 2023 Budget Revenue from the 2022 Unexpended ARPA funds by \$134,175.07 and increase the 2023 Budget Expenditure for DA.5130.2 by \$134,175.07

MOTION by Page, seconded by Flanagan to Increase the 2023 Budget Revenue from the 2022 Unexpended ARPA funds by \$134,175.07 and increase the 2023 Budget Expenditure for account DA.5130.2 by \$134,175.07 Ayes all. Carried.

Supervisor Henninge requested a Motion to Increase the 2023 Budget Revenue from the 2022 Unexpended ARPA funds by \$14,491.42 and increase the 2023 Budget Expenditure for J1.7145.46 by \$14,491.42

MOTION by Northrup, seconded by Flanagan to Increase the 2023 Budget Revenue from the 2022 Unexpended ARPA funds by \$14,491.42 and increase the 2023 Budget Expenditure for J1.7145.46 by \$14,491.42 Ayes all. Carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one spoke

Supervisor Henninge extended a Thank You to the public that attended the meeting and asked that they excuse themselves from the meeting so the Town Board could enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.

MOTION by McDermott, seconded by Northrup to enter into Executive session at 7:49 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by McDermott, seconded by Flanagan to return to regular session at 7:57 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

MOTION by Flanagan, seconded by Northrup to adjourn meeting at 8:01 PM. Ayes all. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary C. Wrench
Greene Town Clerk

Next Regular Town Board Meeting – June 21, 2023 6:00 PM at the Greene Town Hall