MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD TOWN OF SANDY CREEK 1992 HARWOOD DRIVE, PO BOX 52 SANDY CREEK, NEW YORK 13145-0052

Date: April 13, 2016 Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting Place: Town Hall Board Members Present: Nancy

Nancy Ridgeway Ruth E. Scheppard John W. Wood, Jr. Dave Warner Nola J. Gove

Others Present:

Tammy L. Miller Allison J. Nelson Michael C. Kastler Margaret A. Kastler Shirley Rice Pat McCullough Jessica Godfrey- left @ 7:21 pm Norma Newman Wayne Miller John Howland in @ 7:20 pm George Kalkowsky Dustin Clark Elisa Dunn- left @ 7:21 pm

CALL TO ORDER:

Town Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: RESOLUTION 42-16

On motion by John W. Wood, Jr., seconded by Ruth E. Scheppard, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Gove, Warner 0 No

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek approves the minutes of the March 9th and 30th meetings as written.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Town Board received a copy of the monthly financial report of the Supervisor tonight. It was filed in the Town Clerk's office and is available for public inspection.

REPORTS:

<u>Assessor</u>- Rhonda Weigand's report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection.

<u>Dog Control Officer</u>- Elisa Dunn's written report and claims for March have been received and filed. She reported that two dogs were impounded last month, one was redeemed and one held for a possible cruelty case. She answered Councilman Warner's

questions regarding the cruelty complaint procedure. Mrs. Dunn received a complaint about 6 unlicensed dogs on Kehoe Road. She wrote tickets for 3 of the dogs. <u>Historian</u> – Charlene Cole's monthly report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection.

<u>Town Justice</u>- The judges' reports for March have been received by the Town Supervisor. <u>Legislator</u> – Margaret Kastler reported that on April 14th at 7 pm the Oswego County Legislature will be holding a public hearing on a tax agreement with the nuclear power plant. If the agreement is passed, the county and schools will not have to issue refund checks for taxes for previous years. There are more state mandates coming down to the counties to fund. Legislator Kastler answered Councilman Warner's questions about what the county is doing about the poor health of this county's residents. Superintendent Kastler asked about the county's snow reimbursement process. \$60,000 owed to the Town of Sandy Creek was held for approximately 5 months. In the past these checks were issued monthly. Mr. Kastler has 2 more snow bills to turn in.

<u>Library</u>- Director Jessica Godfrey reported that approximately 3,300 flyers were produced explaining the public referendum on the school budget ballot for the libraries to increase their funding. They were mailed by North Country Library System using their bulk mailing permit. Unfortunately, NCLS did not mail them in time for the informational meeting held on April 11th at our library. The meeting was recorded and placed on the library's website. The library is hosting financial workshops on April 21st and 28th at 6 pm. Purchases for the NYS construction grant will be finalized in June. Jessica will be painting the downstairs floors and walls. She has drafted a wish list for the next five years at the library.

Planning Board – Chairman Shirley Rice reported on the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board's meeting on April 5th. The public hearing was held for the Leppien Site Plan. Highway/Water Superintendent – Superintendent Mike Kastler filed his reports in the Town Clerk's office. He reported that the highway department is tearing down plows and getting ready for spring work. Many of the water customers are coming back from their winter homes. The water operator is busy turning on curb stops and installing new water meters. The water bills will be mailed out by May 1st and are due without penalty by May 31st. In Water District #2 the CDBG grant money has been expended and now all equipment for new services must be paid for by the property owner. The water operator has tagged and installed Storz connections on all hydrants in the district. Plans for the proposed Water District #3 are progressing. Informational meetings will likely be held this summer. Superintendent Kastler and Water Operator Pappa will be attending a water operator school on April 15th. Oswego County Health Department completed the annual review of the town's water systems. It is believed that since Water District #2 went online the village has saved 30 to 40 thousand gallons of water per day. This is water that the village does not have to treat or pump. DANC will be in town the next couple of weeks. There was a discussion on the cost of water used to fight fires.

RESOLUTION 43-16

On motion by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Ruth E. Scheppard, the following resolution was

ADOPTED -	5 Ayes	Ridgeway,	Scheppard,	Wood,	Gove,	Warner
	0 No					

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek approves the rate of \$6.60 per thousand gallons of water for Water District #2 water billing.

<u>Water Advisory Committee</u> – Chairman Norma Newman reported that the committee met on March 28th and the minutes are filed. There is a lot of interest in the proposed Water District #3.

<u>Code Enforcement Officer</u> – John Howland's report for March is on file in the Town Clerk's office. He attended code school two weeks ago. He will be sending out junk violation letters next month. He will be taking vacation the week of April 25th. The town needs the cooperation of the Town Justices regarding junk law violations, especially since Oswego County no longer allows the cost of clean-up to be added to the property owner's tax bill.

<u>Town Clerk</u> – Tammy Miller reported that receipts and total disbursements for the month of March totaled \$1,459.25. This report is on file in her office and available for public inspection. Notice was received from Sandy Pond Pizza regarding renewal of their wine and beer license. Notice was received from Greene Point Marina, LLC that they have applied for their seasonal permit from Oswego County to serve food on weekends from their portable cook stand. Tax collection will be finalized with the County Treasurer on April 18th. The permit application renewal forms have been mailed to all campgrounds and parks.

<u>B&L Engineers</u> – Dustin J. Clark, P.E., Senior Project Engineer with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. introduced George B. Kalkowsky, I.E., who will also be working with us on our water projects. On April 20th the bid opening for Contract #6 of the Eastern Shore Water Project will be held. The contractors will be back to finish restoration work in Water District #2. USDA-RD has lowered the interest rate for this project. The feasibility study for the proposed Water District #3 is complete and B&L is recommending it be a joint project with the Town of Richland again.

RESOLUTION 44-16

On motion by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Gove, Warner 0 No

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. to proceed with the services described in the Preliminary Engineering Report dated April 13, 2016.

PUBLIC COMMENT – There were no public comments at this time.

OLD BUSINESS RESOLUTION 45-16

On motion by Nancy Ridgeway, seconded by Ruth E. Scheppard, the following resolution was ADOPTED - 4 Ayes 0 No Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Gove

1 Abstain Warner

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek agrees to settle the Burrows assessment case for \$270,000 total assessed value.

NEW BUSINESS RESOLUTION 46-16

On motion by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Gove, Warner 0 No

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Town Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway to hire All Pest Inc. to spray the Town Hall twice this season for spiders in May and July for a total cost of \$277.99.

Jill Mattison will explain the town's Annual Financial Report Update Document for 2015 at the May meeting. To be proactive towards farming, it was suggested at the Local Government Conference held at JCC on March 31st that a town proposes a local law requiring farmers to file all DEC permits along with approved or stamped engineered drawings on all manure pits and lagoons. Councilman Wood is doing some research on this idea. Attorney Nelson will look into drafting a local law. No one on the Town Board was opposed to replacing the stove in the apartment. The roads agreement will need to be signed next month. NYS has proposed an intermunicipal agreement for the Groman Shores boat launch road. Superintendent Kastler recommends that if the town maintains the road, it should be adopted as a town road and be placed on the town's inventory.

PAY BILLS

RESOLUTION 47-16

On motion by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by John W. Wood, Jr., the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Gove, Wood, Warner 0 No **Resolved** that the bills be paid on Abstract #6 in the following amounts: General Fund \$ 272.01 \$ Trust & Agency 18,343.16 And on Abstract #7 in the following amounts: General Fund 24,582.90 \$ Trust & Agency \$ 9,587.24 Highway Fund \$ 20,515.06 Water District #1-H \$ 4,896.18 Water District#1-SW \$ 2.705.30 Water District #2-H \$ 2,255.68

814.39

RESOLUTION 48-16

Water District#2-SW \$

On motion made by Ruth E. Scheppard, seconded by John W. Wood, Jr., the following resolution was

ADOPTED – 5 Ayes 0 No Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Gove, Warner

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek will enter executive session at 8:37 pm to discuss collective negotiations of the Teamsters Local #317 contract. Attorney Allison Nelson was invited in. Everyone else left the meeting, except Town Clerk Miller waited in her office for the open meeting to resume.

RESOLUTION 49-16

On motion made by Ruth E. Scheppard, and seconded by John W. Wood, Jr., the following resolution was

ADOPTED – 5 Ayes Ridgeway, Scheppard, Wood, Gove, Warner 0 No

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek will exit executive session at 9:08 pm.

On motion by Dave Warner, seconded by John W. Wood, Jr., and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Miller, RMC Town Clerk