

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: May 11, 2016

Kind of Meeting: Regular Meeting

Place: Town Hall

Board Members Present: Nancy Ridgeway
Nola J. Gove
Dave Warner

Others Present:
Tammy L. Miller
Allison J. Nelson
Michael C. Kastler
Margaret A. Kastler
Charles Worden
Pat McCullough
Jessica Godfrey
Norma Newman
Wayne Miller
John Howland in @ 7:08 pm
Star Carter - 7:37pm to 8:01 pm

Absent: Ruth E. Scheppard
John W. Wood, Jr.

CALL TO ORDER:

Town Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Scheppard is excused due to work this evening and Councilman Wood is excused due to attendance at financial school.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

RESOLUTION 53-16

On motion by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was
ADOPTED - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner
 0 No
 2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek approves the minutes of the April 13th and 25th 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:

Assessor- Rhonda Weigand's report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection. Six appointments have been made to discuss assessments and no grievances have been filed to date.

Dog Control Officer- Elisa Dunn's written report and claims for April were received today.

Historian – Charlene Cole's monthly report is on file in the Town Clerk's office and available for public inspection. She is hosting an event on June 4th about Rail City and sent local history booklets to the fourth grade at school with Judge Stoker.

Town Justice- The judges' reports for April have been received by the Town Supervisor.

Legislator – Margaret Kastler reported that on May 12th she will take 3 seventh graders, one from each town of Boylston, Redfield and Sandy Creek, to the Oswego County Legislature meeting at 2 pm in Oswego. The students will debate the economics of solar, wind, and nuclear power and vote on a resolution. In a recent news article, it was reported that the county's transfer stations have saved money by closing two days per week. The county is asking the towns to support the establishment of an underwater marine sanctuary, including many reported shipwrecks off the shores of Lake Ontario. There are only 15 of these sanctuaries in the world. Oswego County Soil and Water has free trees available to the towns and will help plant them to help reduce air pollution near the waterfront.

RESOLUTION 54-16

On motion by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner

0 No

2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Town Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway to write a letter of support for the underwater marine sanctuary.

Library- Director Jessica Godfrey introduced Chas Worden, Vice President of the Board of Trustees. She reminded everyone of the May 17th vote on the school ballot for increased funding for the library. They are planning some events with guest authors and have had one speak on the Blizzard of '66. She will be painting this month and then the grant project will be complete. The final report is due June 24th.

NOCA – Northern Oswego County Ambulance's report has been filed in the Town Clerk's office.

Planning Board – Secretary Pat McCullough reported on the Sandy Creek Regional Planning Board's meeting. Legislator Kastler attended and reported on the marine sanctuary and the tire amnesty day at the transfer station.

Highway/Water Superintendent – Superintendent Mike Kastler filed his reports in the Town Clerk's office. He reported that the highway department has been busy converting the plows back to dump trucks. They have been installing driveway culverts, dealing with beaver dams, and have done some work on the dock at the public boat launch. He will be asking for bids to be opened at the June meeting for the paving of Bremm and Weaver Roads. He took several items to the auction that will be held at the fairgrounds. Notification of the amount of CHIPS funding the town is guaranteed was received.

Attorney Nelson is drafting a resolution for town highways-by-use and what services will be performed on these roads. Summer maintenance has been done. The resolution is needed before next winter. Superintendent Kastler explained the procedure for private roads to become official town roads.

Superintendent Kastler also reported that Water Operator Pappa has been busy turning curb stops and meter pits on and educating home owners how to operate the meter pits themselves. The water bills have been mailed and payments are coming in. North Country Contractors was awarded the bid for Contract #6 for Water District #1. A pre-construction meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 23rd to give NCC notice to proceed. Water District #1 Contract 4 one year inspection is due by July 6. Water District #2 restoration work will be completed as soon as it is dry enough to reseed. NCC fixed a leak on Co Rt 15. Weed eating and hydrant painting has been completed. A work order system is being implemented for the water department. The Water District #3 feasibility study is complete. There will be a joint meeting with the Town of Richland on June 1st at 7 pm at the Sandy Creek Town Hall. DANC is in town now working on the GIS grant project. There will likely be public information meetings this summer for the proposed WD #3 project.

Water Advisory Committee – Chairman Norma Newman reported that the committee met on April 25th with the Town Board.

RESOLUTION 55-16

On motion by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner

0 No

2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek approves the adjusted EDU of 1.00 due to the merge of the two Francher properties into one, tax map #027.18-01-22.

Code Enforcement Officer – John Howland’s report for April is on file in the Town Clerk’s office. He is anticipating a large list of junk violations next month. CEO Howland will ask Councilman Scheppard if she wants to accompany him on the campground inspections. The number of trailers currently in the Golzack campground was discussed.

DANC – Star Carter, GIS Specialist from the Development Authority of the North Country was present to update the board on the progress of the GIS mapping project. This grant project includes nine other municipalities with the Town of Adams acting as the lead agency. Crews are doing field verification work in Richland and Sandy Creek now and will continue for the next couple of weeks. Curb stop locations are very important. June 30th is the completion date for the grant work. Beginning July 1st there will be one free year of website hosting of this GIS information. A five year agreement has been drafted with the first year free and a fee schedule for the next 4 years. The Town of Sandy Creek is in the large category. There is a termination clause. Should any town decide to terminate the web hosting, its data will be returned. The agreement also allows 24 hours of DANC time for updates. Other additional services will be billed. There will be a training session held on June 7th at 10:30 am at the Adams Fire Hall for water department employees, assessors, CEO’s, firemen, clerks, and planning boards. Hydrant coordinates can be used with the IamResponding App.

RESOLUTION 56-16

On motion by Dave Warner, seconded by Nola J. Gove, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner

0 No
2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Town Supervisor Nancy Ridgeway to sign the GIS Web-Based Hosting Agreement with the Development Authority of the North Country.

Town Clerk – Tammy Miller reported that receipts and total disbursements for the month of April totaled \$2,922.75. This report is on file in her office and available for public inspection.

PUBLIC COMMENT – **Margaret Kastler** stated that the cemeteries look very good, especially the one on Co Rt 62.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLUTION 57-16

On motion by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Nancy Ridgeway, the following resolution was **ADOPTED** - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner

0 No
2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes the following transfers of funds:

From SW2-1990.4 Contingent	toSW2-8397.2 Water, Meters,Equip	\$	944.00
SW2-1990.4 Contingent	toSW2-8340.4 Water Operator Contract	\$	19.00
To Fund Reserves	to SW1-230 Reserve		\$50,000.00
	to A-230 Reserve		\$20,000.00
	to DA-230 Reserve		\$12,500.00
	to DB-230 Reserve		\$12,500.00

OLD BUSINESS

The wording for the sign at public boat launch was discussed. Noise should be limited. There should be no littering - carry in, carry out. It is for launching only.

RESOLUTION 58-16

On motion by Nancy Ridgeway, seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was **ADOPTED** - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner

0 No
2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek authorizes Superintendent Kastler to install a sign at the public boat launch site stating the restrictions as discussed.

RESOLUTION 59-16

On motion by Nola J. Gove, seconded by Nancy Ridgeway, the resolution that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek agrees to pay the highway employees a \$100 boot allowance in the next payroll

FAILED - 2 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove
 0 No
 1 Abstain Warner
 2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 60-16

On motion by Nancy Ridgeway, seconded by Nola J. Gove, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner
 0 No
 2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek accepts the annual software support contract for the Town Clerk Plus program from Williamson Law Book Company for May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017 for \$665.00.

PAY BILLS

RESOLUTION 61-16

On motion by Dave Warner, seconded by Nola J. Gove, the following resolution was

ADOPTED - 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner
 0 No
 2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the bills be paid on Abstract #8 in the following amounts:

General Fund \$ 272.26
Trust & Agency \$ 9,665.11

And on Abstract #9 in the following amounts:

General Fund \$ 18,678.82
Trust & Agency \$ 7,700.78
Highway Fund \$ 33,510.23
Water District #1-H \$ 15,161.45
Water District#1-SW \$ 3,033.79
Water District #2-H \$ 2,362.38
Water District#2-SW \$ 7,848.25
Water District#3-H \$ 800.00

RESOLUTION 62-16

On motion made by Nancy Ridgeway, seconded by Nola J. Gove, the following resolution was

ADOPTED – 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner
 0 No
 2 Absent Scheppard, Wood

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek will enter executive session at 8:15 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 63-16

On motion made by Nancy Ridgeway, and seconded by Dave Warner, the following resolution was

ADOPTED – 3 Ayes Ridgeway, Gove, Warner

0 No

2 Absent Scheppard, Warner

Resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Sandy Creek will exit executive session at 8:45 pm.

On motion by Dave Warner, seconded by Nola J. Gove, and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy L. Miller, RMC
Town Clerk