

TOWN OF BETHANY

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

August 09, 2021

*****Please note that this meeting is being held outside of Executive Order 202.1. The Town of Bethany is not technologically equipped to hold virtual meetings and therefore, must meet in person to conduct essential business. The public is welcome to attend however, facial covering and social distancing regulations must be adhered to.**

Supervisor Hyde opened the August 09, 2021, Regular Town Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer lead by Councilman Embt.

Town Officials in Attendance were:

Carl Hyde, Jr., Town Supervisor	Ruth A. Bodkins Town Clerk
Jeffrey Fluker, Deputy Supervisor	Timothy Embt, Councilman
Daniel Street, Councilman	Darin Loft, Appointed Town CEO & ZEO

Absent:

Barb Czworka, Highway Super indent
 Diane Fowler, Councilwomen
 Tom Douglas, Town CEO & ZEO

Attendees to the Meeting were:

Raymond Cipriano
 Don Frank
 Bill Elsasser
 Greg Miller

FINANCES

Monthly Statement of Accounts and Revenues:

General Fund	\$	1,035,759.24
Highway Fund	\$	776,219.44
AP/PR Account	\$	71,276.81
Trust & Agency Account	\$	2,249.11
Highway Checking	\$	28,723.37
Supervisor	\$	303,111.01
Water District #2	\$	51,573.85
Water District #4	\$	10,171.02
Water District #5	\$	00.00
Petty Cash	\$	200.00
 Total		 \$2,279,283.85

Revenues Received

Dept of Taxation – COVID RELIEF	\$	86,467.23
Ruth A. Bodkins	\$	1,195.50
US Post Office	\$	100.00
Nicholas Falcone, Justice	\$	6,148.00

Total Revenue	\$	93,910.73
Total Interest	\$	211.95
Total Revenue	\$	94,122.68

Town Clerk Report – Ruth A. Bodkins:

Presented the Minutes of the June and July 2021 Regular Town Board meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Street, duly seconded by Councilman Embt, to approve the Minutes of the June and July 2021 Regular Town Board meeting as presented. Motion passed with All in Favor.

- The Clerk's Monthly Report for July and bank statements for June and July 2021 were reviewed by the Town Board.

Highway Superintendent Report – Barbara Czworka (Presented by the Town Clerk)

- Molasses Hill, West Bethany and Mill Road have been chip sealed using Suit Kote. The following towns helped: Alexander, Stafford, Bergen, Byron, and Pavilion.
- Pothole filling has continued.
- Bethany Town Highway has helped Pavilion and Genesee County.
- Gravel for shoulders has been hauled.
- Shoulders have been added to the following roads: Molasses Hill, West Bethany, and Silver. We received help from Stafford, Pavilion, Alexander, and Byron to do so.
- Roadsides have been mowed and we are continuing with round two of such.
- We are currently waiting on bristles for the broom to sweep Molasses Hill, West Bethany, and Mill Road.
- I asked last month for money to do Buckman and Dublin Road and I was told to do the roads; money would be found. To date I have spent all my CHIPS money and can cover most of Dublin Road from my DA5110.4 account; however, I would like to chip seal Buckman Road at the cost of \$30,000.00 of which I am requesting an answer for please. I was told by our Town Supervisor Carl Hyde Jr. we would find the money. The estimate for Buckman Road is \$20,564.67 and the rest would go toward Dublin Road. Please contact me with any questions or concerns on my personal cell phone number until 10 p.m. anytime. The Town Clerk can and will provide my personal number to the Town Supervisor or any Board Member by request only.
- I will be on vacation from August 11 – August 22, 2021. My Deputy Mark Heale will be filling in for me while I am away.

Board Committee Reports

Deputy Supervisor and Fire Chief Fluker: The Fire Department still needs volunteer fire department members. Please contact Fire Chief Fluker with any questions. Approximately 12 calls have been made and responded to this month.

Councilman Street: Town Planning Board meeting was cancelled this month.

Councilman Embt: No Zoning Board notes to report.

Councilwomen Fowler: Absent. Supervisor Hyde Jr. made report on her behalf regarding the breakout of financial distribution to Bethany that could be made once a County wide rate is decided upon. On August 13, 2021, an Intermunicipal Agreement could be met that would help decide that figure.

Supervisor Hyde: Town Clerk financial audit (Exit audit) is complete. Good standing is reported.

A Septic system must be installed at the Town Hall/Community Center. Two tanks are broken and can not be replaced. They must be filled with gravel or another substance and stand unused and Holding Tanks are no longer approved by the County.

Additionally, the Bethany Fire Departments needs to get abstract to the Town Attorney to move toward closing on the property purchase. We expect this to happen before the end of August 2021.

OLD BUSINESS

Water District Updates

Water District #4: A manhole has been completed as previously discussed and Punchlist is complete pertaining to Creek and Paul Road.

Water District #5: We are currently waiting on the State Comptroller to move forward. In the meantime, USDA money has been approved and we are working on plans for hydraulics. The project will likely take place by Spring 2022. The State Comptroller is requesting the twelve letters received pertaining to Water District #5 be provided to their office prior to the Public Hearing next month.

Water District #6: This District option has been closed for several months. The community residents in this area responded by about 40% and no one came forward to petition. The Town Board considers Water District #6 to be closed.

NEW BUSINESS

Supervisor Hyde Made a **Motion** to accept a letter of resignation addressed to the Town Board from Town Coding and Zoning Enforcement Officer Tom Douglas. The resignation was duly **Seconded**, by Councilman Fluker. The **Motion** was **Passed** with **All in Favor**.

Darin Loft, of Attica was Appointed by the Town Board to replace Tom Douglas and sworn in by the Town Clerk to his new duty as the Town of Bethany, Coding and Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Warrant #6

- The Board approved payment of the bills as follows:

	<u>Prepaid</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 2,910.65	\$10,827.15
Highway Fund	\$ 00.00	\$85,648.41
Capital Project	\$	\$ 1,150.20
Fire Protection Fund	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Highway Capital Funds Project	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Water Fund	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Justice Fund	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Total:	\$ 2,910.65	\$ 97,625.76

Adjournment

A **MOTION** was made by Deputy Supervisor Fluker, duly seconded by Councilman Street, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion **PASSED** with All in Favor.

BY ORDER OF THE
BETHANY TOWN BOARD
DATED: 09 August 2021

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth A. Bodkins, Town Clerk

