

Town of Nanticoke

Board Meeting 07/11/2023

The Town of Nanticoke held their July Meeting on Tuesday, July 11, 2023. The meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Nanticoke Town Hall, 755 Cherry Valley Hill Road Maine, NY 13802.

Present:

Roy Willis

Supervisor

Daniel Baker Michael Holden Town Councilman
Town Councilman

Michael Holden Anthony Slack

Town Councilman

Scott Whittaker

Town Councilman

Robert Hoag Renny Zanker Highway Superintendent Town Clerk

Renny Zanker
Robert McKertich

Town Attorney

Meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Willis. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made to accept the minutes from the prior meeting on June 13, 2023.

Motion was made by: Councilman Mike Holden

Seconded by: Councilman Dan Baker

Roll call vote: A. Slack: aye, M. Holden: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, motion carried.

Motion was made to retroactively approve the transfer of \$1187.08 from Nanticoke checking account ending in 3748 at NBT to Broome Volunteer Account ending in 4943 per our agreement with Broome Ambulance.

Motion was made by: Councilman Scott Whittaker

Seconded by: Councilman Anthony Slack

Roll call vote: M. Holden: aye, A. Slack: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, motion carried.

Department Head Reports:

Highway Superintendent, Robert Hoag:

- A culvert pipe replacement for Marks Rd. is complete. The job started on a Monday and was completed with the road re-opened by Wednesday. Further work needed to be done on that section is shimming and black-top, which hopefully will be done the 17th and 18th of July, if he can get Suite-Kote scheduled.
- Bob reported that he had a small accident at the job site. He was running the backhoe and backed into the red truck. This caused slight damage to the hood of the pickup truck. Bob looked into the most cost-effective way to repair the damage. Matthews Auto will work with Bob in making the repair.

- Bob received a call from a resident asking if the town could rebuild a retaining wall on his property that also falls with in the "right-of-way." Town attorney does not advise us to do the job, because it then would be come the towns liability, as it is on private property, and the town did not install the retaining wall and does not currently maintain it.
- Remaining work for the season will be stone and oil. Sometime around August 24th the crew will be doing the roads at the lower end of the town, and the remaining roads by Labor Day.
- Councilman Slack complemented the Highway Superintendent and crew on how good the roads in the town look.
- Supervisor Willis asked Bob Hoag to set aside a date and time in August to discuss pre-budget planning.

Town Clerk- Renny Zanker:

- Deputy Clerk Williams has been communicating with the grant writer, regarding priorities. NYS is requiring all municipalities to upgrade cyber-security, to ensure safety of government records and documents. So, this grant search has been moved to the top priority.
- Department of Health has also reached out to all municipalities with specific "firewall" protection that is required to be complete by July 31st. Renny is working with Rick, our IT contractor to ensure this is complete and we are compliant by the 31st.

Code Enforcement - Shaun Oliver:

- Supervisor Willis asked council how Code Enforcement Officer, Shaun Oliver was doing. So far all is moving along in a positive direction with no complaints.
- Renny stated he has stayed in touch with her in regards to any residents' requests.

Town Supervisor – Roy Willis:

 Supervisor Willis received an email regarding the Broome County Hazard Mitigation Plan for 2024 updates. Towns, Cities, and Villages will be working with Broome County Emergency Services and surrounding municipalities to discuss emergency planning. Supervisor Roy Willis, Councilman Scott Whittaker, Highway Superintendent Bob Hoag, and Code Enforcement Officer, Shaun Oliver will be attending the meeting on July 19, 2023.

Councilmembers:

• Councilman Holden asked if we could clean out the creeks prior to any flooding. Superintendent Hoag explained the waterways are controlled by the DEC.

New Business:

• A public hearing will be scheduled for the Local Law 1-2023 update for NYS Uniform Code.

Motion was made to have a public hearing for the Local Law 1-2023 NYS Uniform Code updates on August 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion was made by: Councilman Scott Whittaker

Seconded by: Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: A. Slack: aye, M. Holden: aye, D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

Motion was made to approve the bills as audited:

General (A) Fund...Vouchers 124-138 in the amount of \$10,381.18. Highway (DA) Fund... Vouchers 80-92 in the amount of \$22,002.82.

Motion was by: Councilman Scott Whittaker Seconded by: Councilman Anthony Slack

Roll call vote: D. Baker: aye, M. Holden: aye, A. Slack: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

Guests:

- Nanticoke's Board of Assessment Member, Dan Bertoni thanked those for appointing him to the Assessment Review Board.
- Judge Struble asked if he could speak to the supervisor and council in a closed session. Town Attorney McKertich discussed provability for a closed session with Judge Struble and decided it should be discussed in a closed session.
- A resident requested more information be posted on the town website in regards to Broome County Mitigation Plan Updates for 2024. Renny agreed to post the information as she receives it.
- Questions from a resident was brought to the supervisor and councilmen in regards to retaining walls and farmers fences being repaired from flood erosion and who is responsible for the repairs.
- Concerns were discussed by a resident that has a stream in their back yard near their home. If the dam were to break, they would run the risk of being flooded.

Motion was made to close for an Executive Session regarding an appointment for personnel at 7:42 p.m.

Motion was made by: Councilman Scott Whittaker

Seconded by: Councilman Dan Baker

Roll call vote: M. Holden: aye, A. Slack: aye, D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

Meeting resumed at 7:53 p.m.

Motion was made to appoint William Struble as a volunteer under the direct supervision of the town clerk to complete the Court Records Destruction process as of July 11, 2023 to September 31, 2023.

Motion was made by: Councilman Scott Whittaker

Seconded by: Councilman Dan Baker

Roll call vote: M. Holden: aye, A. Slack: aye, D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

At 7:55 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was made by: Councilman Anthony Slack

Seconded by: Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: D. Baker: aye, M. Holden: aye, A. Slack: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

The next Nanticoke Town Board Meeting and Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date approved: August 8, 2023

Renny Zanker, Town Clerk