

Town of Nanticoke

Board Meeting 06/14/2022

The Town of Nanticoke held their June Meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2022. The meeting was at 7:00 p.m. at the Nanticoke Town Hall, 755 Cherry Valley Hill Rd. Nanticoke, NY 13802.

Present:

Roy Willis

Scott Whittaker

Town Supervisor Town Councilman

Mike Holden Ron Zielewicz

Town Councilman
Town Councilman

Dan Baker

Town Councilman

Sue Williams

Deputy Clerk

James Shear

Highway Superintendent

William Holmes

Dog Control Officer

Robert McKertich

Attorney

Absent: Renny Zanker, Town Clerk;

Guests: Daniel Bertoni, Lewis Jackson, Robert Hoag, Curt Zanker, Jim Lamb, Anthony Slack

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

Old Business:

Motion was made to except the minutes from the prior meeting on 05/10/2022.

Motion made by: Councilman Dan Baker Seconded by: Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, motion carried.

Motion was made to retroactively approve the transfer of \$1,101.28 from Nanticoke's Checking Account ending in #3748 at NBT Bank to the Broome Volunteer Account ending in #4943 at NBT per our agreement for Broome Volunteer Ambulance.

Motion was made by: Councilman Ron Zielewicz

Seconded by: Councilman Scott Whittaker

Roll call vote: M. Holden: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

Department Head Reports:

Dog Control Officer William Holmes

Several complaint calls on Rabbit Path Road. Tickets have been issued over the past few months.
 Request to speak to council regarding next steps, Town Lawyer suggested it be discussed in "executive session."

Supervisor Willis asked council if they had any questions or concerns for the Code Enforcement Officer Mark See, who was not in attendance this evening. Council had no comments or complaints at this time.

Town Clerk - Deputy Sue Williams on behalf of Renny Zanker

• We have a new Board of Assessment member as of May 31, 2022, Jennifer Pesotine. Due to the passing of a previous member, and time requirements in naming a new member, councilmen were each contacted via telephone for approval. Town Attorney recommended a vote be recorded. Motion was made to approve the appointment of Jennifer Pesotine to the Nanticoke Board of Assessment.

Motion made by Councilman Ron Zielewicz

Seconded by Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, motion carried

- Thursday Spectrum will be here to install upgraded to the internet. Rick Cicciarelli will assist to ensure we have proper connections in offices.
- Roof leaked again after bad rain storm, in the same place. Supervisor Willis reported that the contractor has been contacted and will be coming to seal along the seam.

Highway Superintendent James Shear:

- Reported that the "broom" rental expires on 7/4/2022. Chris Slack looked into repairing the old broom, but it would be very expensive, if even possible to refurbish, not cost effective. Recommends council buy out the rental broom. Council asked if it comes with any warranty. Highway Superintendent will inquire with Stephenson Equipment if it comes with a warranty, and the specific dollar amount for buying out the rental. Will report back to councilmen & supervisor, so that a decision can be made before the 7/4/2022 rental expiration.
- Report that we have received three-quarters of our winter salt, 248 tons. One load was incorrectly delivered to the Town of Maine, who contacted him. Town of Maine paid for the load because they needed it as well. Jim called Cargill and they will deliver to us one more load to fill our existing contract. Jim is running logistics for oil & stone, is hoping to do the roads the beginning of August.

Motion made for an Executive Session Motion made by Councilman Scott Whittaker Seconded by Councilman Ron Zielewicz

Roll call vote: D. Baker: aye, M. Holden: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, motion carried.

Motion made to end Executive Session Motion made by Councilman Dan Baker Seconded by Councilman Scott Whittaker

Roll call vote: R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, motion carried

Supervisor Willis continued after the executive session, presenting a new Vehicle Use Policy, in
response to the issue brought to the May meeting, regarding the Highway Superintendent's use of
town pickup truck. Council reviewed the new policy which defines specifically how the vehicle
can be used.

Motion made to accept the new Vehicle Use Policy

Motion made by: Councilman Mike Holden Seconded by: Councilman Ron Zielewicz

Roll call vote: S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, M. Holden: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, motion carried.

Councilmembers:

• Councilman Mike Holden reported that two (2) sealed bids have been received for the work on the salt barn. Councilmen, Supervisor and Attorney reviewed the bids.

Motion made to accept the lowest bid of \$10,950.00, by Lukim Construction, LLC, they will need to acknowledge that it is the "south" wall and not the "north" wall as was incorrectly stated in the specification sheet.

Motion made by Councilman Dan Baker

Seconded by Councilman Scott Whittaker

Roll call vote: R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried.

New Business:

Motion made to approve the bills as audited.

General (A) Fund...Vouchers 89-114 in the amount of \$11,179.92.

Highway (DA) Fund...Vouchers 53-62 in the amount of \$24,791.33

Motion was made by: Councilman R. Zielewicz

Seconded by: Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: S. Whittaker: aye, D. Baker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, motion carried.

Motion was made to adjourn meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Motion made by: Councilman Ron Zielewicz

Seconded by: Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, M. Holden: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, motion carried.

Supervisor Wills asked guest if they had any questions or concerns:

Dan Bartoni shared concerns of a township resident who lives at the bottom of Howland Hill Rd. She reports rocks and debris flood her yard after heavy rain. Highway Superintendent stated that ditch work has been done in that area, but he will review the area and share with council and will bring back to the July meeting.

Councilman Mike Holden inquire about the clothes/uniforms worn by our town crew, is there a better/cheaper method. Attorney McKertich stated that it is apart of the bargaining contract, so it would be something that would need to be discussed with the union.

Supervisor reported that the next Supervisors Report will be given at the July meeting.

Councilman Scott Whittaker asked if the decrease in gas tax will affect our share of sales tax. Attorney does not believe so but will look into it.

Motion made to close the meeting
Motion made by Councilman Scott Whittaker
Seconded by Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: D. Baker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, motion carried

Motion made to reopen the meeting Motion made by Councilman Dan Baker Seconded by Councilman Mike Holden

Roll call vote: S. Whittaker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, M. Holden: aye, D. Baker: aye, motion carried

Anthony Slack inquired who bought the property on the corner of Route 26 & Cherry Valley Hill Rd. He has concerns about the vehicles parked on the corner, makes it a hazard for turning. Property is owned by Jordan Walker. Supervisor Willis will speak with him.

Councilman Dan Baker discussed his disappointment in the rumors going around our community regarding the Highway Superintendent and Councilman. Very bold and not true statements are being made. We are a small town, and we are all here to serve the town and its citizens, and it is disheartening to hear such things.

Motion made to close the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Motion made by Scott Whittaker

Seconded by Ron Zielewicz

Roll call vote: M. Holden: aye, D. Baker: aye, S. Whittaker: aye, R. Zielewicz: aye, motion carried.

The next Nanticoke Town Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date approved: July 12, 2022

Sue Williams, Deputy Town Clerk