

**Town of Jackson Town Board Meeting
July 6, 2022**

The Town Board of the Town of Jackson met on July 6, 2022 at 8:00 pm at the Town Hall for the regular monthly meeting.

PRESENT:

- Jay Skellie..... Supervisor
- Travis Rea..... Councilman
- Carol Rich..... Councilwoman
- Edward Rouse..... Councilman
- Molly Dixson..... Town Clerk
- Sean Carney..... Highway Superintendent
- Donna Nolan..... Budget Officer

Also present: Town Assessors Jean McLenithan and Tim Grogan, as well as Sharon Dunn.

*Councilman Travis Rea and Assessor Amanda Weber arrived during the spoken prayer, Planning Board Chair Amy Maxwell arrived during the reading of the minutes and Christine Eldred of the Eagle arrived during Old Business.

Absent: Councilwoman VanDeWater was unavailable to attend the meeting but was able to listen in on speaker phone during the proceedings.

RESOLUTION #60-22

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 4-0, **to accept the June 1st meeting minutes as read.**

RESOLUTION #61-22

A motion by Councilwoman Rich, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 4-0, **to approve the Town Clerk & Supervisor Reports for June 2022 as follows:**

Town Clerk Fees to Town	\$491.35
Supervisor Receipts	\$26,675.25
Supervisor Disbursements	\$51,574.30

REPORTS

Highway – Supt. Carney was present to report that the Highway workers have finished paving for the year. They have been patching and mowing all over town, as well as installing culverts on several roads. They have been cutting trees and removing brush on Rowlands Lane and Cam. Battenville. Supt. Carney also said they have graded most roads at least once. They’ve installed tubing on Dunbar Road and cleaned ditches on Hedges and Kenyon. The Highway workers have also attended safety classes. He still has not had time to find a generator.

Planning Board – Chair Amy Maxwell was present to report on Tuesday’s Planning Board meeting:

- A resident’s subdivision was changed to a boundary line adjustment after closer review.
- The PB approved a sketch plan for a proposed project.
- They have been working on edits and rehashing thoughts on the Solar Law draft which, after the August meeting, will be returned to Teresa Bakner for her to review the updates.
- They are hoping to have a joint Town and PB meeting in October to discuss the Solar Moratorium and the Solar Law Draft.
- Vicki was absent for Tuesday’s meeting so Kelly Donahue filled in as PB Clerk.
- Tim Thomas of Bowen Hill Ln. was present at both the June and July meetings. He has shown interest in filling the vacant position on the PB and becoming involved. At this time, Amy stated the PB’s shared view that they would like to appoint him as their new member to complete the 7-person council.

RESOLUTION #62-22

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilman Rouse; Resolution passed 4-0, **to approve appointing Tim Thomas to the vacant position on the Town of Jackson Planning Board.**

OLD BUSINESS

- The Town’s New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal policy is due for the 2022-2023 year. The Board discussed cost and the \$1,200.00 raise since last year’s policy, most likely due to damage to Highway trucks over the year and the cost of living going up as well. They discussed differences in the amounts the Town Hall and Highway Garage are valued at through the insurance company and through the Town’s most recent revaluation done by GAR Associates LLC. They agreed that the contents of the Highway Gar. should be valued at a higher amount of \$50,000.00.

RESOLUTION #63-22

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilman Rouse; Resolution passed 4-0, **to approve renewing the Town’s NYMIR policy with Northern Insurance Agency for the 2022-2023 year, with the adjustment of increasing the Highway Barn’s contents to \$50,000.00.**

- Former Town Historian Sharon Dunn spoke to remind the Board that the Washington County Senior Advisory Council organized by the Co. Office of the Aging still does not have a local Jackson representative. At this time, Sharon recommended Quimby Mahoney, a local resident and wife of Planning Board member Mark Mahoney who, upon speaking with Sharon, shared that she was interested in the position and would gladly fill out the 2-year term speaking on behalf of seniors in our area. The Board agreed with this choice and Supervisor Skellie said that he will put Quimby’s name forth at the Office of the Aging the next time he is at the Co. building.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Board discussed appointing a new Deputy Highway Supt. after Richard Bentley retired recently. At this time, the Board resolved to table the discussion for further review.

Supervisors Report-

- The Shushan Bridge has begun construction but the bridge has yet to be closed off. They are hoping to be done with the project by October.
- The County has been busy working on their own bridge projects as of late.
- Councilman Ed Rouse brought up an issue with the prevalence of poison parsnip on county roads that is supposed to be mowed by the County. Sup. Skellie stated that there are 2-3 employees at the Co. building who are licensed to spray.

8:34 PM

RESOLUTION #64-22

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 4-0, **to move into an executive session to discuss a few employees of the Town.**

9:16 PM

RESOLUTION #65-22

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 4-0, **to close the executive session.**

Chair of Assessors Resignation – On June 30th, 2022 the Town Clerk as well as the Town Supervisor received the resignation of Arek Gordon as both an elected Assessor and as an appointed Chairman of the Board of Assessors, effective immediately.

RESOLUTION #66-22

A motion by Councilman Rea, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 4-0, **to approve the following budget amendments:**

- Move \$1,000.00 from the ARPA Fund to the General Fund A4189 Other Public Health.
- Increase Highway DA5112.2 by \$119,865.61 to reflect the CHIPs money spent that will be reimbursed.

RESOLUTION #67-22

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 4-0, **to approve the following budget transfer:**

- DA5110.1 General Repairs – DA5130.1 Machinery for \$561.60

RESOLUTION #68-22

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilwoman Rich; Resolution passed 4-0, **to approve the payment of the following bills as audited on July 6, 2022, Abstract #7 and authorized the Supervisor to pay said bills from the respective funds:**

FUND	BILL #	AMOUNT
General	65-74	\$2,404.41
Highway	105-123	\$293,091.70

RESOLUTION #69-22

A motion by Councilman Rouse, seconded by Councilman Rea; Resolution passed 4-0, **to adjourn at approximately 9:29 pm.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 pm.

Molly Dixson, Town Clerk