

Unadilla Town Board Meeting

Date: February 13, 2024

6:00 PM Audit of Bills

6:30 PM Open Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

Supervisor George DeNys called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

- George DeNys, Supervisor
- Terry Yoder, Town Clerk
- Rodney Renwick, Superintendent
- Don Cole, Councilman
- Jessica Grow, Councilwoman
- Allen Anderson, Councilman
- Beth Westfall, Attorney
- Vickie Ball, Observer
- Michael Ball, Observer
- Joe Ingalls, Observer
- Sara Ingalls, Observer
- Bobbie Armor
- Ed Frazier, County Rep

January 9th Minutes

The January 9th minutes will be presented at the March meeting for approval.

Audit of Bills

Councilwoman Jessica Grow made the motion to accept and pay the bills. The motion was seconded by Supervisor George DeNys and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

General Fund A	\$ 10,488.81
Highway (DB) Outside Village	\$ 937.81
Highway (DA) Town wide	\$ 23,445.74
Riverside Sewer District	\$ 72.89
Riverside Lighting	\$ 204.26
Rockdale Lighting	\$ 36.17
Wells Bridge Lighting	\$ 267.20
Riverside Fire Protection	\$ 29,886.00
Rockdale/Mt. Upton Fire Protection	\$ 18,131.96
Unadilla Fire Protection	\$ 50,500.00
Wells Bridge Fire District	\$ 47,000.00

Committee Report

Highway

Crew has been out 30 times for snow and ice and tree work has been ongoing. The signage inspection has been completed. The tractor is at the dealer having the new front broom installed.

Rodney put the F350 Pickup on Auctions International. The top bid came in at \$2,650. Rodney is asking for approval to accept the \$2,650.00 bid.

Councilman Don Cole made the motion to accept the bid price. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Finance

January Financial Report was submitted with no questions by board.

Building

TJ of Turner Electric called Don to let him know that due to illness, he hasn't been able to come to repair the generator. He is hoping to get here soon.

Councilman Don Cole made the motion to accept the committee reports as is. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 4 Aye, 0 Noes.

Monthly Reports

Town Clerk's report was submitted with a check totaling \$373.50

Supervisors Report

Tax Collectors Monthly Report

Dog Control Officers Monthly Report

Assessors Monthly Report

Councilwoman Jessica Grow made the motion to accept the monthly reports. The motion was seconded by Councilmen Don Cole and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Old Business

Cannabis Application Update

Attorney Beth Westfall filed a FOIL request to obtain more information regarding the application filed by Brienne Meyer/dba Sand Hill Creek Farm LLC for a Cannabis Operation at 159 Ben McCumber Road. The response came back with a deadline date that had already passed. Beth provided information on the requested type of business Brienne Meyer is planning on opening. Sand Hill Creek Farm, LLC is to be an adult use microbusiness where cannabis can be cultivated and sold only on owner's premises. Attorney Westfall will send a letter to Ms. Meyer to hopefully get a better understanding of her intentions for this business.

2023 CDBG Grant

A Request for Proposals to administer the CDBG Grant that was awarded to the Town of Unadilla was advertised by mail, our daily newspaper, bulletin boards and on the Town Website as required. The Town received only one proposal by THOMA Development and was opened at tonight's meeting.

As with our past awarded CDBG Grant, the Town was able to help many residents with necessary repairs to their homes that otherwise, they would not been able to finance. We are hoping to help many more with our new grant.

Supervisor George DeNys made the motion to accept and approve the proposal from THOMA Development. The motion was seconded by Councilman Don Cole and unanimously carried. Roll Call, 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Paving of Hard Knocks Road

Residents from Hard Knocks Road are still pursuing having the Town take over their private road in hopes that it can be maintained by our Highway Department. As law states at this time, the home owners would have to bring the road up to New York State Road standards at their own costs before being paved over by the Town. Highway Superintendent, Rodney Renwick provided a rough estimate of \$152,885.00 to bring the approximately .5 of road up to these standards. A few options were discussed by the Board as to how this goal could happen such as pursuing a grant. To do this the Town would need to upgrade our comprehensive plan that is out of date. Supervisor George DeNys will bring more data regarding the cost and implementation of creating a new plan to March's meeting.

New Business

Car Crashes into Town Hall Building

Due to damage done at the Town Hall from a vehicle crashing into our building, on Saturday, February 13th, our monthly board meeting was held at the Unadilla Fire Department on Clifton Street. All possible advertising was done to make the citizens aware of any changes in hours and availability to the public. The next court date will be held at the Wells Bridge Fire Department until building is back to its pre-existing condition.

Appointment of Kirk McLaughlin for Board of Review Chairman

Mr. McLaughlin offered to come back as Chairman of the Board of Review until we can find another person to fill this vacancy.

Supervisor George DeNys approved Kirk McLaughlin to be put back on the Board of Review. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 4 Aye, 0 Noes.

Correspondence

DOT-Stating that they received a request for a Speed Limit Reduction on County Highway 3

Jim Hodges information regarding problem with his ownership of property vs Abbas Jariwala

Gloria Meenan, Tax Collector—Tax Levies for 2024 for the Town of Unadilla

Privilege of the Floor

Adjournment

Supervisor George De made the motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jessica Grow and unanimously carried. Roll Call; 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Yoder, Town Clerk

Time of Adjournment: 7:09 PM