

The regular meeting of the Groveland Town Board was held on Thursday July 14, 2022 at the Town Hall.

Present: Bill Devine, Supervisor; Sandra Bean, Deputy Supervisor and Councilmember; Steve Atterbury, Councilmember; Amy Hunter, Councilmember and John Macauley, Councilmember
Other Town Officials: D. Mark Caldwell, Highway Superintendent
Others Present: R. Niedermaier, K. Niedermaier- President of Groveland Fire Department, M. Dolan, J. Love

Supervisor Devine called the meeting to order @ 8:57 a.m. Councilmember Hunter led the pledge to the flag.

A motion by Councilmember Hunter and seconded by Councilmember Macauley the audited bills be paid. General Fund vouchers numbered 158 - 183 for \$12,719.49 Highway Fund vouchers numbered 99- 114 for \$46,141.88. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Councilmember Atterbury and seconded by Councilmember Bean to accept the regular meeting minutes of 6/09/2022, special meeting of 6/22/2022 and the special meeting minutes of 6/29/2022 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Devine forwarded copies electronically of the Town Clerk & Supervisors monthly financial reports. The supervisor financial report with monthly statement of all money received and disbursed. Councilmember Macauley and seconded by Councilmember Atterbury to accept both financial reports. Motion carried unanimously.

Information handed out/or acknowledged:

1. Food Pantry Box- located in the town hall

Old/New Business:

J. LOVE- TOWN ZONING/ JUNK PROPERTIES- Mr. Love requested the ability to speak with the board concerning properties in town that have “junk” around them. Mr. Love provided the Town of Geneseo’s Law specifically Chapter 87 Storage, Outdoor for the board’s review along with a list of properties he was going to file complaints on. Mr. Love explained he has been affiliated with multiple areas and town agencies throughout his time living in Groveland and specified the problems with having junk as it relates to the time as Fire Chief. It was stated by Mr. Love that typically most of his time as Fire Chief properties that had junk were the properties they were called to for fires multiple times and they tended to be the problem areas for safety.

Mr. Love explained that in Geneseo any cleanup was sent a bill and if not paid placed on their tax bill.

Supervisor Devine thanked Mr. Love for the information and stated he would forward the concern to the Planning Board to ask them to look at the Town’s current Zoning Law and the one

that is under review to see what if any changes they see may be needed so they may follow up with the board.

GROVELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT- Supervisor Devine passed out the Fire Department contract he received for the board review. President of the Fire Department was present to discuss the contract should there be any questions. Supervisor stated the contract required a public hearing prior to the contract approval.

Board reviewed the contract and all agreed they wished for wording to be changed to read on page 2 to read Mutual aid plan, and on page 3 to add In good faith on or before June 30th annually the Fire Department will provide the Town the annual financial statement.

A motion by Councilmember Atterbury and seconded by Councilmember Hunter to schedule to public hearing for the 5 year contract for Thursday August 11, 2022 at 9 a.m.. Motion carried unanimously.

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS LOCAL LAW # OF 2022 TO REPLACE #2-2017 PUBLIC HEARING- Supervisor closed the Public hearing comment period from the June 9, 2022 meeting and noted comments from M. Dolan Supervisor Devine received to be entered into the minutes as part of the comments.

A motion by Councilmember Atterbury to close the public hearing comments at 9:34 a.m. and seconded by Councilmember Macauley. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Devine stated that the board has been diligently having special meetings following the board has the updated law for its review. The board has reviewed the final draft changes agreed to very minor changes and agreed to a final public hearing on Thursday July 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. The board requested that the Town Clerk notify the members of the community that were present at the original meeting be notified if possible. Town Clerk Burgess agreed to assist on the notifications.

HIGHWAY REPORT UPDATE- Highway Superintendent Caldwell stated the crew has been finished oiling and stoning Barber Hill Road from Maple Beach to Wilson Road. They have also done Wilson Road, a third shot of oil and stone on Bennett Hill and Turner Road. Lower Adamson Road to the property owners of 4261 Adamson Road along with a portion of Hunt Hill Road.

They crew has also been continuing to mow road sides along with ditching on Davis Road.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN- RESOLUTION 48 -2022-

Supervisor Devine stated that he and Town Clerk Burgess had been attended webinar meetings as it relates to hazard mitigation, along with consulting the Code Enforcement Officer and Highway Superintendent to obtain the information for Groveland. Livingston County has updated their plan and wished for the town to adopt as their plan as well. Town Clerk Burgess forwarded a link to the entire plan via email as it is available on Livingston County's website as well for the board to view prior to the board meeting.

WHEREAS, the Town of Groveland has gathered information and participated in the Livingston County All-Hazard Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County All-Hazard Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Groveland is a local unit of government that has afforded the citizens an opportunity to comment and provide input in the Plan and the actions in the Plan; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Town Board that the Town of Groveland adopts the Livingston County All-Hazard Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan as this jurisdiction's Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and resolves to execute the actions in the Plan.

MUNICIPAL SOLUTION CONTRACT EXTENSION- RESOLUTION 49-2022- Supervisor Devine stated he has been contacted regarding the need to extend the contract for Municipal Solutions for the Potential Water District. No changes have been made to the original contract just an added two year extension. Municipal Solutions is the company that assists in the grant applicants and BAN process.

WHEREAS the Town Board has met at the time and place at the regular town board meeting the town board has reviewed the proposed contract extension with Municipal Solutions, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Town is desirous of the continuation of administrative services to include the preparation of grant applications and any BAN related to the town's proposed water district, following the Dodd/Frank Act and subsequent Securities and Exchange Commission and Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board requires a contract be in place ; and now therefore be it;

RESOLVED this Town Board does hereby accept the Agreement with Municipal Solutions, and authorizes Supervisor Devine to sign the agreement for the contract extension.

The adoption of the foregoing RESOLUTION was duly out in vote on motion of Councilmember Hunter and seconded by Councilmember Macauley and the results were carried with 0 nay, 5 ayes. Roll Call Votes: Supervisor Devine, aye; Deputy Supervisor & Councilmember Bean, aye; Councilmember Atterbury, aye; Councilmember Hunter, aye; Councilmember Macauley, aye.

Other Communications:

Community member R. Niedermaier inquired about the summer rec program as he read in the local newspaper the County was donating monies towards the program and wondered if it lowered the town's portion. The Supervisor stated no it helps offset the costs similar to grant money but our fee has not changed.

Mr. Niedermaier also inquired about a few items as it relates to Ambuscade Park.

First request was a brochure of some sort to be placed of the history and map of the trail that was taken at the park for visitors if possible, as the old sign posts that used to describe that are gone and no one seems to know where they went.

Second request was the reasons why the bathrooms are not used and open all the time, it was his understanding that there should not be an issue with water and sediment. Highway Superintendent stated that the well pump is set off the bottom yes; however there is still a significant amount of sand in the filtration system and if no one is available to be around full time to watch the park daily it could burn out the pump.

Supervisor and other board members stated there is a concern for vandalism as well due to the area of the park location and leaving the bathrooms open all the time. The town does not have the staffing. Supervisor asked if he was willing to open and close daily let him know he would be happy to give a key to him to sign out as we have a form for use. The town also has employed a cleaning service following scheduled events that the board would have to consider as well.

Third request is opening the stairs as it is hard for someone that has difficulty walking to utilize the hill. Supervisor stated they are closed due to safety hazard and believe that it would cost the town a lot of money to make it ADA accessible if the town changed anything with the stairs. Mr. Niedermaier stated when he spoke with BOCES all that was needed was to repair the hand railings.

Councilmember Atterbury stated there are multiple unsafe boards and we have has a complaint on the safety of the stairs as to why the stairs have been closed off and set for demolition.

Lastly Mr. Niedermaier was concerned with utilizing 3 town trucks for hauling stone when the semi and trailer are here, is that best use of equipment and crew. Highway Superintendent stated that typically he is hauling at the same time as his crew so not sure why it was parked but he has been hauling lots with it.

The Fire Department will be hosting a clam bake on August 27, 2022.

Supervisor Communication:

EXECUTIVE SESSION- Supervisor Devine made a motion to go into executive session, seconded by Councilmember Bean for matters relating to proposed, pending or current litigation. Motion carried unanimously.

The board asked Town Clerk to attend.

Board entered executive session at 10:10 a.m.

A motion by Councilmember Hunter seconded by Councilmember Macauley to close the executive session with no action taken. Motion carried unanimously.

Returned to regular session at 10:29 a.m. with no action taken.

A motion by Councilmember Bean and seconded by Councilmember Macauley to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 10:31 a.m. The next meeting will be the public hearing for the Solar Energy Systems Law on July 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the town hall and is open to the public. Motion carried unanimously.

Kimberly Burgess, Town Clerk
Town of Groveland
Dated: June 9, 2022