

The regular Town Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Paul Landi at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a moment of silence.

Present were Councilman Larry Queipo, Councilman Darren Wells, Councilman Dave Hoffman.

Councilman Vincent Nelson was absent.

Also present were Zoning Board of Appeals Councilman Blake Jackson, Highway Superintendent Ed Moore, Jacob Kovacs running for UC Legislation, a Daily Freeman reporter and 8 members of the public.

A motion was made by Supervisor Landi and seconded by Councilman Queipo to approve the June 5 and July 5, 2023 minutes. All approved.

Supervisor Landi read the Supervisor's Report and Rosalyn Borghere read the July Town Clerk's Report in absence of the Town Clerk.

The general bills, highway bills and interfund transfers were reviewed by the Town Board.

Interfund Transfer

A motion was made by Supervisor Landi and seconded by Councilman Wells to transfer from A2115 Planning Board into A8020.4 Planning Board C/E \$1,182.78 to cover expenses. All approved.

General and Highway Bills

Supervisor Landi made a motion which was seconded by Councilman Queipo to pay the following:

general bills: Claim #297 through #335 totaling \$15,199.22 and

highway bills: Claim #286 through #297 totaling \$4,009.12. All approved.

Supervisor Landi stated that all questions or comments on 850 Route 28 need to go to the Town Attorney.

Committee Reports

Councilman Hoffman reported that he and Code Enforcement Officer Bob Cologero did an inspection on a house on Sawkill Road and they recommend that the lawyer pursue legal action.

Councilman Wells reported that along with the help from the fire and the highway departments, the summer recreation went well. There were 12 to 14 kids per day and new ideas have already been generated for next year. He said that Bob Cologero took in \$535.00. \$400.00 was for building permits and the rest was for abstracts. He also stated that the sheriff's department is short on personnel due to vacations, etc. and that our deputy has had to work in other municipalities.

Highway Superintendent Ed Moore told the Board that ditching work was done on Meyers Road and the top of Hill Road with shared services from Esopus. They had to stop working on it because they were unable to get shared services. He told the Board that it will take 9 to 13 weeks until the part comes in for the backhoe. He also stated that they were denied the grant for Wintergreen and Meyers Roads.

Councilman Queipo had nothing to report.

Old Business – none

New Business

Resident Mrs. Kathy Renaud of Melissa Road gave the Board a copy of a Daily Freeman Newspaper article about a disease on white pines that is killing the trees and some locations of those trees. She also asked if the cancelled Town trip money is going towards Town of Kingston Day in October 2023.

Resident Harry Sleight of Hill Road thanked the Town for paving the lower section of Hill Road. He asked if the engineer who looked at the end of his driveway, that keeps washing out, was still working on the problem. Highway Superintendent Moore told him that the engineer said that the cliff bank has to be cut back. Superintendent Moore stated that the Town does not have the equipment to fix that problem unless they can get shared services.

Questions and Comments

The new Town web-site was questioned. And the next Town meeting dates were announced.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Queipo and seconded by Councilman Wells. All approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Roselyn Borghere, Deputy Town Clerk